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“...GO HOME TO YOUR FRIENDS, AND TELL THEM WHAT WONDERFUL THINGS THE LORD HAS DONE FOR YOU AND HOW MERCIFUL HE HAS BEEN.” MARK 5:19

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## Mary Had a Little Lamb

Mary had a little Lamb  
Its fleece was white as snow,  
And everywhere that Mary went  
The Lamb was sure to go.  
He followed her to school each day,  
Wasn't even in the rule.  
It made the children laugh and play  
To have the Lamb at school.  
And then the rules all changed one day  
Illegal it became  
To bring the Lamb of God to school  
Or even speak His name.  
Every day got worse and worse  
And days turned into years  
Instead of hearing our children laugh  
We heard gun shots and tears.  
What must we do to stop the crime  
That's in our schools today?  
Let's let the Lamb come back to school  
And teach our kids to pray!



## That Smiling Man

Going to the grocery store isn't something I particularly enjoy. It's just a mundane part of life—something that has to be done.

But there is one part of this task I've unexpectedly come to look forward to: checking out in Fred's lane. Fred, you see, turns checkout into show time. He's amazingly fast, always has a big smile, and even dances (and sometimes sings!) as he acrobatically flips (unbreakable) purchases into a plastic bag. Fred clearly enjoys a job that could be seen as one of the most tedious around. And for just a moment, his cheerful spirit brightens the lives of people in his checkout lane.

The way Fred does his job has won my respect and admiration. His cheerful attitude, desire to serve, and attention to detail all line up well with the apostle Paul's description of how we are to work in Colos-

sians 3:23: "Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord."

When we're in relationship with Jesus, any job we have to do gives us an opportunity to reflect His presence in our lives. No task is too small . . . or too big! Tackling our responsibilities—whatever they may be—with joy, creativity, and excellence gives us an opportunity to influence those around us, no matter our job.

Adam Holz

*Lord, help me to tackle everything on my plate today with grace, enthusiasm, and joy, knowing that my attitude may affect others in ways I'm not even aware of.*

**The best way to do satisfying work is to do it for the Lord.**

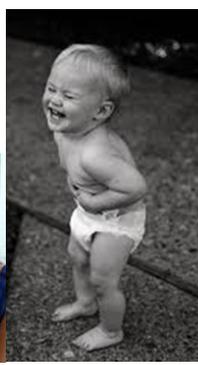
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# A cheerful heart is good medicine

Proverbs 17:22



A guy came home to his wife and said, "Guess what? I've found a great job. A 10 a.m. start, 2 p.m. finish, no overtime, no weekends and it pays \$600 a week!"

"That's great," his wife said.

"Yeah, I thought so too," he agreed.

"You start Monday."



One of my husband's duties as a novice drill instructor at Fort Jackson, S.C., was to escort new recruits to the mess hall. After everyone had made it through the chow line, he sat them down and told them, "There are three rules in this mess hall: Shut up! Eat up! Get up!"

Checking to see that he had everyone's attention, he asked, "What is the first rule?"

Much to the amusement of the other instructors, 60 privates yelled in unison, "Shut up, Drill Sergeant!"



Mrs. Jones was reading a letter at breakfast. Suddenly she looked up suspiciously at her husband.

"Henry," she said, "I've just received a letter from mother saying she isn't accepting our invitation to come and stay, as we do not appear to want her. What does she mean by that? I told you to write and say that she was to come at her own convenience. You did write, didn't you?"

"Er, yes, I did," said the husband. "But I couldn't spell convenience, so I made it risk."



Benny wanted a job as a signalman on the railways.

At his interview, the inspector asked him this question: "What would you do if you saw 2 trains heading for each other on the SAME track?"

Benny replied, "I would switch the points for one of the trains."

"Good. But what if the lever broke?", asked the inspector.

"Then I'd run down to the signal box", said Benny, "and use the manual lever there."

"What if lightning struck it?" asked the inspector.

"Then..." Benny continued, "I'd run back into signal box & phone the next signal box."

"What if the phone was engaged?"

"Well....in that case," persevered Benny, "I'd rush down out of the box & use the public emergency phone at the level of the crossing up there..."

"What would you do if THAT was vandalized?"

"Oh, well then I'd run into the village & get my Uncle Toby."

This bizarre response puzzled the Inspector, so he asked, "And just why would you do that??"

"Because Uncle Toby... He's never seen a train wreck!!"



A lady who was speeding had an officer pulled her to the side of the road.

She didn't have her seat belt on so as soon as she stopped, she quickly slipped it on before the officer got to her window.

After talking to her about speeding, the officer said, "I see you are wearing your seat belt. Do you believe in wearing it at all times?"

"Yes, I do, officer," she replied.

"Well," asked the officer, "do you always do it up with it looped through your steering wheel?"



The students in my third-grade class were bombarding me with questions about my newly pierced ears.

"Does the hole go all the way through?" "Yes."

"Did it hurt?"

"Just a little."

"Did they stick a needle through your ears?" "No, they used a special gun."

Silence followed, and then one solemn voice called out, "How far away did they stand?"



As Barb was getting to know David and his family, she was very impressed by how much his parents loved each other.

"They're so thoughtful," Barb said. "Why, your dad even brings your mom a cup of hot coffee in bed every morning."

After a time, Barb and David were engaged, and then married. On the way from the wedding to the reception, Barb again remarked on David's loving parents, and even the coffee in bed.

"Tell me," she said, "does it run in the family?"

"It sure does," replied David. "And I take after my mom."



Signs that scientists have gone too far with genetically modified food:

\*Your hot dog just fetched its own ketchup and relish.

\*You spot the tell-tale signs of a primitive central nervous system in you Jell-O.

\*Chocchini: looks like zucchini, tastes like a Ding Dong.

\*The black-eyed peas on your fork just winked at you.

\*Every time you pour a glass of orange juice, your garage door goes up.



I have a friend who filled his car with gas at a self-service gas station. After he had paid and driven away, he realized that he had left the gas cap on top of his car. He stopped and looked and, sure enough, it was lost.

Well, he thought for a second and realized that other people must have done the same thing, and that it was worth going back to look by the side of the road since even if he couldn't find his own gas cap, he might be able to find one that fit. Sure enough, he hadn't been searching long when he found a gas cap. He tried it on, and it went into place with a satisfying click.

"Great," he thought, "I lost my gas cap, but I found another one that fits.

And this one's even better because it locks..."



Once I worked as an operator on an old IBM 370/Model 138 mainframe at a local college. My position had been reclassified to fall into a new area outside of the I/S staff.

One day, my new supervisor entered the room and stared at the air conditioning unit directly behind me. He studied the two flashing lights for a few moments and asked what job it was currently processing.

I killed my career by replying, "Actually, sir, it's cooling the room. The computer is over there."



After trying to for hours to get my daughters to clean their room, I burst in and yelled,

"GET THIS ROOM CLEAN NOW, BEFORE I HAVE A COW!!!"

My youngest daughter, who is three years old, looked at me with a very puzzled expression and said,

"You mean you're going to get rid of us and have a cow instead?"



Walking through the hallways at the middle school where I work, I saw a new substitute teacher standing outside his classroom with his forehead against a locker.

I heard him mutter, "How did you get yourself into this?"

Knowing that he was assigned to a difficult class, I tried to offer moral support.

"Are you okay?" I asked. "Can I help?"

He lifted his head and replied, "I'll be fine as soon as I get this kid out of his locker."

## Acknowledge who Jesus is

*"If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved." - Romans 10:9*

We all want to live a life of purpose, a life of meaning. We want our existence to matter. For that to truly happen, though, we must first live a life of thankfulness for what God has given us and what He has done for us. And at the very top of that list is Jesus.

When we acknowledge with our lips that Jesus is Lord, the Bible promises us that we will be saved. That doesn't mean we won't face difficulties or that life will be without problems. What it does mean, though, is that our eternity will be

set in heaven with God. We will no longer have to wonder where we will spend forever. And because of that, we can experience purpose today. That is truly something to be thankful for!

Start today by thanking God for who He is and what He has done for you. Take some time to reflect on the sacrifice He made for you, and admit to Him what is true – that Jesus is Lord.

Have you ever admitted to God that you are in need of His saving grace? If not, you can do it right now. If you have admitted that, have you told others about how that decision changed your life?

*Ed Young  
Grapevine, Texas*

## Shoulder Tap

Have you ever had that feeling that you were meant to say or do something? Have you ever felt that tug to reach out to a stranger and speak up? When we follow these little moments in life, it can sometimes lead to the most incredible experiences.

And that's exactly what happened to this man while he was enjoying a simple lunch.

Bill was with a friend at California Pizza Kitchen when he noticed an elderly

woman dining with her daughter and grandkids. That's when he heard a voice in his head to go over and tell the woman how pretty she looked. A lot of people would've ignored this bizarre feeling, but Bill decided to follow that voice. As he was leaving the restaurant, he

passed by the woman and kneeled down.

Then, he said, 'Hey, if nobody else has told you yet today, I just want you to hear from me how lovely you are.' A strange look came over the woman's face before she

told Bill that husband had died a year ago and that is exactly something he would say to her. The two were both overcome with emotion and embraced in the sweetest hug. Bill left the restaurant

but he believes that moment came from God and He gave Bill the "shoulder tap" that blessed the woman. These shoulder taps happen in our lives and it's so important to listen to that voice because you never know where it will lead.



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One Sunday morning the preacher stood up and said, "I am honored to have my very best friend visit with me today and I've asked him to share what's on his heart."

A much older man came to the pulpit and began speaking. "Once upon a time, a father, his son and his son's best friend went boating for the day. The three had reached a distance from the shore, when an unexpected storm blew in. Even though the father was a seasoned sailor, he couldn't prevent the boat from capsizing. The father managed to reach the boat and hang on, but the two boys were both fighting for their lives.

Because there was only one life line, the father had to make a split second decision. He knew his son was a Christian and had accepted Jesus into his heart as his Lord and Savior and they would live together in heaven for eternity. He also knew his son's friend was not a Christian because he had never

made that decision to accept Jesus into his heart as his Lord and Savior and would spend eternity in the torments of hell.

Looking into his son's eyes he yelled, "Son I love you so much!" "and then threw the life line to his son's best friend. The speaker went on to say that is what God did for us. He sacrificed his only son to save us from eternity in hell. "For God so lived the world that he gave his one and only son, that anyone that believes on Him will not perish but have eternal life."

**John 3:16**

After the service, two teenagers came up to the speaker and said, "That was a really great story, but kind of farfetched. Don't you think?"

"No, boys," the speaker said. "You see, I am the father in that story and you pastor was my son's best friend."



# Do You Know Your Hymns?

Dentist's Hymn .....Crown Him with Many Crowns  
 Weatherman's Hymn .....There Shall Be Showers of Blessings  
 Contractor's Hymn .....The Church's One Foundation  
 The Tailor's Hymn .....Holy, Holy, Holy  
 The Golfer's Hymn .....There's a Green Hill Far Away  
 The Politician's Hymn. ....Standing on the Promises  
 Optometrist's Hymn .....Open My Eyes That I May See  
 The IRS Agent's Hymn .....I Surrender All  
 The Gossip's Hymn .....Pass It On  
 The Electrician's Hymn .....Send The Light  
 The Shopper's Hymn .....Sweet Bye and Bye  
 The Realtor's Hymn. ....I've Got a Mansion Just over the Hilltop  
 The Massage Therapists Hymn .....He Touched Me  
 The Doctor's Hymn .....The Great Physician

AND for those who speed on the highway - a few hymns:  
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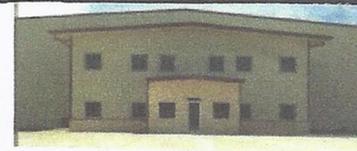
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**Proverbs  
3:5-6**



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Whatever you do, do it with all of your might, as working for the Lord, not for men.

Colossians 3:23



## Delicious and Easy Chicken

### Ingredients:

- 5 chicken thighs
- ½ bottle French salad dressing
- 1/3 cup apricot preserves
- 1 package Lipton dry onion soup mix

Wash, debone and pull skin from chicken thighs. Place in long glass baking dish. Combine last three ingredients and pour over chicken. Bake at 350 for one hour. Enjoy!!

*Amy Malugen  
Oxford, North Carolina*

Grandma, who appeared to become an ever-more intimidating personality as the years went on, was giving directions to her grown grandson who was coming to visit with his wife:

"You come to the front door of the apartment complex. I am in apartment 14T. There is a big panel at the door. With your elbow push button 14T. I will buzz you in. Come inside, the elevator is on the right. Get in, and with your elbow hit 14. When you get out I am on the left. With your elbow, hit my doorbell."

"Grandma, that sounds easy, but why am I hitting all these buttons with my elbow?" the grandson asked.

"You're coming empty handed?"



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Use the scriptures below to find and circle the **BOLDFACED** words. UNDERLINED WORDS will be found together.

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D	R	V	B	L	M	A	E	H	E	R	F	A	I	T	H	R	X

But what does it say? "The **word** is near you; it is in your **mouth** and in your **heart**," that is, the **message** concerning **faith** that we **proclaim**: If you **declare** with your mouth, "**Jesus is Lord**," and **believe** in your heart that God **raised** him from the **dead**, you will be **saved**. For it is with your heart that you believe and are **justified**, and it is with your mouth that you **profess** your faith and are saved. As **Scripture** says, "**Anyone** who believes in him will never be put to shame." For there is no **difference** between **Jew** and **Gentile**—the **same** Lord is Lord of all and richly **blesses** all who call on him, for, "**Everyone** who calls on the **name** of the Lord will be saved."

Romans 10:8-13 (NIV)

After his first day at school, a boy returns home to find Mom in the kitchen.

"What did they teach you in school today, Honey?"

The boy replies, "Not enough. They said I have to go back tomorrow."

# HUGS From Heaven

I am so grateful to God for allowing me to facilitate **The Good News Just Keeps Coming**. We experienced some growing pains last month. Our requests for papers far exceeded our revenue to supply all the requests for more papers.

Our income had fallen to only 25 percent of what we needed to operate our normal monthly production. I had a heavy weight in the bottom of my heart thinking August would be the last month for **The Good News Just Keeps Coming**.

I was so sad that I had let God down and really wallowed in self pity. I knew if this was his will for the paper, then I would accept that, but keep praying for an answer as to what God wanted me to do. After about 10 days and finally giving in to accepting this was the end of a ministry I loved so much, I received a beautiful card in the mail from a lady I've never met. The card had beautiful drawings on the front with these words: **Plant Smiles, Grow Laughter, Harvest Love.**

Inside the card she had written

**Plant Smiles,  
Grow Laughter,  
Harvest Love.**

these words "Thank you! Thank You! Thank you! Thank you for all that you do to spread the 'Good News'. May you next mailing be planted, grow and be harvested as our Lord's will be done. Blessings!" Enclosed was a check for \$500 which was just enough to allow the August paper to become reality. I smiled and cried at the same time knowing this was God's way of telling me He wanted **The Good News Just Keeps Coming** to continue.

It always amazes me how God is still in control of everything and he orchestrates things to happen between total strangers to get his will accomplished. That lady had no idea that this ministry was on the brink of extinction, but willingly followed God's prompting with just the right amount to allow more seeds to be planted for His Kingdom. God is always ready to give us a hug just the time we need it. Our God is an awesome God!

*In His Love,  
Diana Boring  
San Felipe, Texas*



## Eva's Inspirations I'm Falling Apart

I feel like I'm falling apart God my heart's broken in two,  
It's a battle I keep fighting even though I gave it to you.  
I have tried so many times to get out of your way,  
Only you know the answers the time and the day.  
It's so hard when it's someone that I love so much,  
I know in my heart that they need your healing touch.  
There's so many things I can't give them and I've really tried,  
Nothing worked and they blamed me as the tears fell from my eyes.  
The days have turned to years now and they really need you,  
I'm falling apart God as I ask myself is there more I can do?  
" My child you feel broken but remember you have me,"  
"It's time for you to step back there's so much I want you to see."  
"The one that you love I love even more than you do,"  
"Let go you can't change them that job wasn't meant for you."  
"I need you to trust me for I know what's best,"  
"You've tried so many times now with me you can rest."  
"I want you to enjoy your life and your family and friends,"  
"I'll take care of your loved one it's time for the healing to begin."

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# Sand & Stone

Two friends were walking through the desert. During some point of the journey, they had an argument, and one friend slapped the other one in the face. The one who got slapped was hurt, but without saying anything, wrote in the sand, "Today my best friend slapped me in the face." They kept on walking until they found an oasis, where they decided to take a bath. The one who had been lapped got stuck in the mire! And started drowning, but the friend saved him. After he recovered from the near drowning, he wrote on a stone:

"Today my best friend saved my life."

The friend who had slapped and saved his best friend asked him, "After I hurt you, you wrote in the sand and now, you write on a stone, why?"

The friend replied, "When someone hurts us we should write it down in sand, where winds of forgiveness can erase it away, but, when someone does something good for us, we must engrave it in stone where no wind can ever erase it."

Learn to write your hurts in the sand and to carve your blessings in stone.

Do not value the things you have in your life, but value who you have in your life!

Be kinder than necessary, for everyone you meet is fighting some kind of battle.

"And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as god for Christ's sake hath forgiven you." Ephesians 4:32

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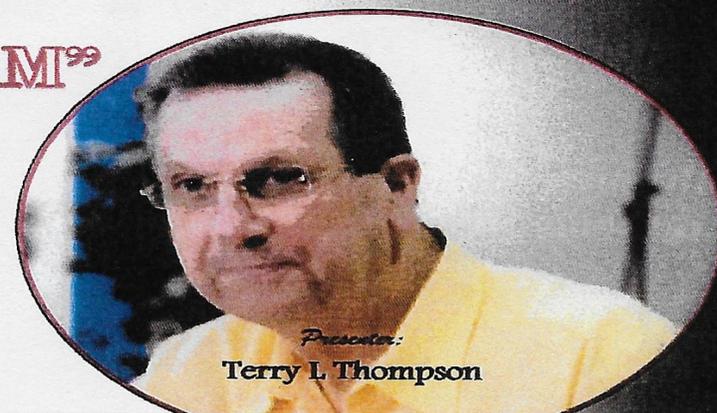
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