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A little girl asks her father, "Why does it rain? Is it God sweating or crying?" "No," says her father, "it rains to make the plants grow. Do you understand?" "Not exactly," says the girl. "Why does it rain on the sidewalk?"



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What's in a name?

By: Tim Patton
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Picking your child's name can be an agonizing process. With our youngest daughter, we attempted a family name by giving her the same middle name as my wife's great-grandmother. Except, after we had decided on it, we discovered that the name we chose was not actually the great-grandmother's name but was instead a nickname! We were not fans of her given middle name and so we stuck with the nickname; after all, it's the thought that counts! With our son, I wanted to find a good strong family name and scoured the family tree for a unique and strong name. I came across the name, *Asa*. I loved it; strong, manly, unique. Problem with that was, he was the family drunk who beat his wife shortly before abandoning her and his family. I was assured that one whole side of the family would not speak to me if I moved ahead with that name. We settled on a first name we simply liked and gave him my middle name which we felt was the safest choice. The next oldest daughter we picked names that we liked and seemed to flow well when it was spoken aloud: *Hannah Grace*. We discovered at her baby dedication that "*Hannah*" is Hebrew for, you guessed it, "*Grace*"; meaning, we essentially named the child, *Grace Grace*! The most fun was perhaps the oldest. We didn't know if she was going to be a boy or a girl. We pored over name books looking for the perfect name for our first child. My wife picked a girl's name that was a very pretty name, but I hated it! A girl by that name had tormented me as a child and I did not want to saddle my child with a name that conjured such bad memories for me (Of course, if I had known how much children torment their parents, I might have found it more fitting!). After months of debating, we



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settled on the perfect name. We called my parents, all excited, to announce our choice. Our breathless announcement was met with an uneasy silence on the phone. It seems my brother and his wife, who were expecting a girl due four months before our child, had just settled on that same name earlier that week. While we were encouraged to go ahead with the name as well (“*It will be cute at family get-togethers!*”), I knew as they grew older they would both resent our choice! We instead chose a different name and gave it a unique spelling. We loved it. She gets aggravated by it. We can never find the correct spelling of her name on a pen or coffee cup in any gift shop in the world!

Why all the fuss over names? Names are important to us. Names represent us. They make a statement about who we are and whose we are. When I was a teenager, my father always told me (somewhat jokingly) that if I got in trouble while I was out to use my friend’s last name and not my own. Why? You want your children to represent well your family and its reputation.

This emphasis on names is not a recent phenomenon. In biblical times, names were highly significant. They were a statement about you and your character. Often God would change the name of a person to represent the change he had wrought in their heart. Abram, meaning “*exalted father*”, was changed to Abraham, meaning “*father of a great number.*” Jacob, meaning “*trickster*” or “*supplanter*”, after wrestling with God, had his name changed to Israel, meaning “*he persists with God.*” The name given to God’s Son was significant as well. Jesus is the Greek rendering of the Hebrew name, Joshua, which means “*the Lord is salvation.*”

When the Lord commanded the Israelites, “*You shall not misuse the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not hold anyone guiltless who misuses his name,*” (Exodus 20:7) he was not simply talking about cursing or even about speech. He was talking about behavior. We carry the name of the Lord with us. Acts 11:26 reports that in Antioch, believers were first called Christians, meaning “*Christ’s men.*” Do we endeavor every day to live up to our name or do we profane God’s holiness before the world by how we live? Are we true examples of Christ’s people or poor reflections of His character? God has written a new name upon us. Let us go forward and uphold it well.

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A father passing by his son's bedroom, was astonished to see the bed was nicely made, and everything was picked up. Then, he saw an envelope, propped up prominently on the pillow. It was addressed, "Dad." With the worst premonition, he opened the envelope and read the letter, with trembling hands...

"Dear, Dad.

It is with great regret and sorrow that I'm writing you. I had to elope with my new girlfriend, because I wanted to avoid a scene with Mom and you. I've fallen in love with Rhonda, and she is so nice, but I knew you would not approve of her because of her piercings, tattoos, tight motorcycle clothes and because she is so much older than I am. It's not only the love, Dad. She's pregnant. Rhonda said that we will be very happy. She owns a trailer in the woods and has a stack of firewood for the whole winter. We share a dream of having many more children. Rhonda has opened my eyes to the fact that marijuana doesn't really hurt anyone. We'll be growing it for ourselves. In the meantime, we'll pray that science will find a cure for AIDS, so Rhonda can get better. She sure deserves it! Don't worry, Dad. I'm 15, and I know how to take care of myself. Someday, I'm sure we'll be back to visit, so you can get to know your many grandchildren.

Love, your son,

Jeremy

P.S. Dad, none of the above is true. I'm over at Chris' house. I just wanted to remind you that there are worse things in life than the school report card that's on the kitchen table. Call when it is safe for me to come home!

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Making a Deal

During the wedding rehearsal, the groom approaches the pastor with an unusual offer. "Look, I'll give you \$100 if you'll change the wedding vows. When you get to the part where I'm supposed to promise to 'love, honor, and be faithful to her forever', I'd appreciate it if you'd just leave that out." He passes the minister a \$100 bill and walks away satisfied. On the day of the wedding, when it comes time for the groom's vows, the pastor looks the young man in the eye and says, "Will you promise to bow yourself before her, obey her every command and wish, serve her breakfast in bed every morning of your life, and swear eternally before God and your lovely wife that you will not even look at another woman, as long as you both shall live?" The groom gulps, looks around, and says in a tiny voice, "Yes," then leans toward the pastor and hisses, "I thought we had a deal." The pastor puts a \$100 bill into the groom's hand and whispers, "She made me a better offer."

Disaster

It was a disastrous year for the farmers. The snow fell and fell until the government relief agency had to step in and lend a hand. "It must have been terrible," said the government man to a farmer. "All that snow." "Could have been worse," calmly answered the farmer. "My neighbor had more snow than me." "How's that?" asked the government man. "More land," replied the farmer.

Something Nice

At a wedding rehearsal, the minister told the father of the bride, "As you give your daughter's hand to the bridegroom, you should say something nice to him." The father, a grocery store manager, took the advice. During the wedding ceremony, he placed the bride's hand on his son-in-law's arm and said, "No deposit, no return."



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Proposal

Jeff had gone to propose to his girlfriend and returned home crying bitterly. "What happened, son?" his father asked, eagerly awaiting his response. "Did she accept?" "No, she sure didn't," sobbed Jeff. "When I told her what you advised me to say, she slapped my face and told me to get out." "Did you begin by telling her what I told you to say, what I told your mother when she accepted my proposal? 'Sweetheart, time stands still when I look in your eyes.' Did you tell her that?" asked his father. "Oh boy, Dad, did I get it all wrong," Jeff groaned. "I said, 'My dear, you have a face that would stop a clock!'"

Proof

A man went to his lawyer and told him, "My neighbor owes me \$500 and he won't pay up. What should I do?" "Do you have any proof he owes you the money?" asked the lawyer. "Nope," replied the man. "OK, then write him a letter asking him for the \$5,000 he owed you," said the lawyer. "But it's only \$500," replied the man. "Precisely. That's what he will reply and then you'll have your proof!"

Church Family Feud

There was a feud between the Pastor and the Choir Director of The Southern Baptist Church. It seems the first hint of trouble came when the Pastor preached on "dedicating yourselves to service" and the Choir Director chose to sing: "I Shall Not Be Moved." Trying to believe it was a coincidence, the Pastor put the incident behind him. The next Sunday he preached on "giving." Afterwards, the choir squirmed as the Director led them in the hymn: "Jesus Paid It All." By this time, the Pastor was losing his temper. Sunday morning attendance swelled as the tension between the two built. A large crowd showed up the next week to hear his sermon on "the sin of gossiping." Would you believe the Choir Director selected: "I Love To Tell The Story." There was no turning back. The following Sunday the Pastor told the congregation that unless something changed he was considering resignation. The entire church gasped when the Choir Director led them in: "Why Not Tonight." Truthfully, no one was surprised when the Pastor resigned a week later; explaining that Jesus had led him there and Jesus was leading him away. The Choir Director could not resist: "What A Friend We Have In Jesus."



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After Church

By: Dr. Charlie Hinson

After I finished preaching, I deliberately hung around the front, watching the people as they walked out. The question I silently asked was, "What did Church do for you today?" What distresses me

is that somehow we have gotten the notion that we can sit politely in church, hear the Word of God, and go out just as we came in. I make the following three observations---not with my church in mind, but the church universal:

1. If I leave a service neither sad, mad, nor glad, it probably means something is wrong with this generation. Have we reached a position of neutralism where we neither win wars nor lose wars, but settle for peace without victory? Pilate's wife advised him to have nothing to do with Jesus. I believe it is impossible to have nothing to do with Him!

2. When folks leave a church service unmoved, something is wrong with that church. Whatever one thought of the early Christians, you could not ignore them. There was a head-on collision between Christ and antichrist every day. No New Testament church can really believe what it claims to believe, and live the life it claims to live, without being a powerhouse charged from Heaven. A church service ought to be a time when contact is made between Heaven and Earth--God and man---and you just don't walk out the same after that.

3. If nothing happens at church, something could be wrong with the preacher. It may be that he's just a

mild-mannered man exhorting a crowd of mild-mannered people to be more mild-mannered. When the Word of God is preached in the power of the Spirit, something will happen: some will leave sad, some will leave glad and some leave mad, but none will leave neutral.

100% Polar Bear

One afternoon in the Arctic, a father polar bear and his son polar bear were sitting in the snow. The son polar bear turned to his father and asked, "Dad, am I 100% polar bear?" The father polar bear replied, "Of course, son, you're 100% polar bear." A few minutes pass, and the son polar bear turns to his father again and says, "Dad, tell me the truth. I can take it. Am I 100% polar bear? No brown bear or panda bear or grizzly bear?" The father polar bear replies, "Son, I'm 100% polar bear, your mother is 100% polar bear, so you are definitely 100% polar bear." A few more minutes pass, and the son polar bear AGAIN turns to his father and says, "Dad, don't think you're sparing my feelings if it's not true. I gotta know -- am I 100% polar bear?" The father polar bear was distressed by this continued questioning and asked his son, "Why do you keep asking if you're 100% polar bear?" "Because I'm freezing!"

Drinking for Three

A cowboy walks into a bar in Texas, orders three mugs of brew and sits in the back room, drinking a sip out of each one in turn. When he finishes them, he comes back to the bar and orders three more. The bartender approaches and tells him, "You know, a mug goes flat after I draw it so it would taste better if you bought just one at a time." The cowboy replies, "Well, you see, I have two brothers. One is in Australia, the other is in Dublin and I'm in Texas. When we all left home, we promised that we'd drink this way to remember the days we were together. So I drink one for each

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of my brothers and one for myself.” The bartender admits that this is a nice custom and leaves it there. The cowboy becomes a regular in the bar, and always drinks the same way. He orders three mugs and drinks them in turn. One day, he comes in and orders only two mugs! All the regulars take notice and fall silent. When he comes back to the bar for the second round, the bartender says, “I don’t want to intrude on your grief, but I wanted to offer my condolences on your loss.” The cowboy looks quite puzzled for a moment, then a light dawns and he laughs. “Oh, no, everybody’s just fine,” he explains, “It’s just that my wife and I joined the local Church and obviously I had to quit drinking. Hasn’t affected my brothers though.”

Career Choices

A father is asked by his friend, “Has your son decided what he wants to be when he grows up?” “Yes, he wants to be a garbage collector,” replied the boy’s father. His friend thought for a moment and responded, “That’s a rather strange ambition to have for a career.” “Well,” said the boy’s father, “he thinks that garbage collectors only work on Tuesdays!”

Tea Party

A little girl is serving her father tea while her mother is out shopping. The mother comes home and the father says, “Watch this!” The little girl goes and serves the mother tea. The mother responds, “Did it ever occur to you that the only place she can reach to get water is the toilet?”

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There are some in the family who receive the teaching and council of God at an early age and so receive Jesus in their youth. On the other hand, some are more stubborn, head-strong and hard-hearted. These are sometimes referred to as 'black sheep' of the family.



Edsol & Judy Jenkins, 1968

I felt I was the 'black sheep' in my family. I had a praying grandmother, mother, brother, sister, sister-in-law, aunts, uncles, and cousins. I met and married a Christian girl, Judy Rogers who was/is just as beautiful inside as outside. She has related to me over the years, how many times she would sit in a big rocking chair, with a baby in each arm, rocking and praying, that somehow I could be saved. It took about six years from the time we were married for God to stop me in my tracks.

I had run from God since I was a teenage boy. I remember the first time I felt God's Spirit dealing with me at New Bethany Assembly of God, at Hinson's Crossroads. I was fourteen or fifteen years old. At this stage in my life, I soon forgot this and went on my willful way, but God didn't forget me.

My wife and I sing a Paul Williams song titled "There's a Miracle Everywhere You Go. There's An Angel Down Every Road" and looking back in my mind, I find this to be true. The first miracle is I'm alive and have lived past my 72nd birthdate. An older member of my family once told me

that I was born a blue baby (whatever that is) and that I should have died. I'm very thankful she wasn't in charge of family occurrences.

The second miracle I will relate to you is the time I was mowing my yard and I went under a pecan limb and it stuck in my eye. Suddenly I forgot how macho I was and went and told Judy, my wife, what had happened. I was in a panic. We went to the doctor and got some medicine to go in it. It was red like a tomato and the doctor said if it wasn't better by Monday, he would have to do surgery on it, by scraping it. I just thought I had a panic attack before. I told Judy to call Mother to start praying. She did, and Mother called her pastor to pray. She also called my brother Tom and his wife Jean to pray.

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Every time my heart would beat, my eye would throb. It wasn't long before Mother, Tom and Jean pulled into our yard. They began getting out of the car and I walked out the door to our carport to invite them in. As soon as they got to the carport they began to pray for my eye. Realize at this time I was not a Christian, but God healed my eye. God honored their prayers. I was crying like a baby as I realized all the pain was gone. I went inside, hugged my wife and told her how God healed me, that the pain was gone, completely. I promised God I'd give my life to Him if He would heal me. He did! *I didn't!*



I still ran for a period of time, but I could never get away from what He did for me and what I had promised Him. From that day forward the hook was set in my jaw. I knew it was just a matter of time.

The night that God finally got my attention, God made me to know that I had run out of rope, I had run out of time, I had run out of prayers. Those bottled up prayers weren't needed at the time they were prayed nearly as much as they were to keep Satan at bay, until like the prodigal son, I came to my senses. The Lord showed me I had emptied the bottles. I said, "God, I don't know why you would have me, but if you will, take me, here I am. Forgive me for being so contrary, I'm sorry." Right there, right then, I finally understood, "Amazing Grace," the most wonderful Gift the world ever was offered. I was saved!

God's nature is pure, holy and altogether righteous.

He hates sin, He cannot look at sin, He cannot tolerate sin. I only see this in my mind, but I think the sins that I committed made God pour out those bottled up prayers and smell the sweet odors and savors to turn His anger and wrath aside that I would not be destroyed. Perhaps in the manner that Kind David soothed the wrath and hatred of King Saul, by playing music.

Thank God I came crying and repenting. I've been crying ever since. Every time I try to talk about His Greatness, I sense His Holiness, His Righteousness,

His Majesty and my heart just melts to tears as I realize His love, grace and goodness to me and mine. How undeserving I am, but God is faithful. I am blessed.

The question I ask myself is, have I sent enough prayers to refill the bottles, the vessels, the vials for my children, my brother, my sister, uncles, aunts, nephews, nieces, all my loved ones of my church, my pastor, my neighbors? For anyone who needs salvation? Remember, Christ is the answer for every need. I don't want the vessels to run dry, so I'm going to try harder to do my part. Remember the prayers we send to God are not wasted or forgotten.

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Cherry Macaroons

1 1/3 cup shortening
1 1/2 cups sugar
2 eggs
1 tsp almond extract
3 1/2 cups all purpose flour
2 tsp baking powder
1 tsp baking soda
1 tsp salt
1 1/2 cups flaked coconut
1 cup maraschino cherries – chopped
In mixing bowl, cream shortening and sugar. Add eggs and extract, mix well. Combine flour, baking powder, baking soda and salt. Gradually add to creamed mixture. Stir in coconut and cherries. Dough will be very stiff. Drop by rounded teaspoon, 2 inches apart onto greased baking sheets. Bake in 375° oven 10-12 minutes until lightly browned. Cool on wire racks. Makes 6 dozen

Bacon Tomato Spread

8 oz cream cheese
2 tsp mustard
1/2 tsp celery seed
medium tomato – peeled & finely chopped
1/4 cup bell pepper – finely chopped
8 strips bacon – diced
In mixing bowl, beat cream cheese, mustard, and celery seed until well blended. Stir in tomato and green pepper. Cover and refrigerate for 1 hour. In skillet cook bacon until crisp, remove to paper towels and drain. Stir diced bacon into spread just before serving. Serve with your favorite crackers.

Pineapple Cole Slaw

8-10 cups coleslaw – mix red and green cabbage
1 cup mayonnaise
1/3 cup crushed pineapple
1 tbs milk
1 tbs ketchup
1 tsp sugar
1 tsp poppy seeds
1 tsp worcestershire sauce
In a small bowl combine mayonnaise, pineapple, milk, ketchup, sugar, poppy seeds and worcestershire sauce. Place coleslaw mix in a large bowl, add dressing and toss to coat. Cover and refrigerate 2-4 hours. Best if sets overnight in refrigerator.

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- large onion – chopped
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- 3 tbs chopped green onions
- 1 tbs fresh parsley – minced
- 1 tsp salt
- 1 tsp pepper
- 1 tsp paprika
- ½ tsp garlic powder
- ½ tsp dried oregano
- ½ tsp dried thyme
- ¼ tsp pepper
- ½ tsp cayenne pepper

In a large skillet, saute green pepper and onion in butter until tender. Reduce heat, add shrimp. Cook for 5 minutes. Stir in tomato sauce, green onions, parsley and seasonings. Bring to a boil. Reduce heat and simmer uncovered for 20 minutes until slightly thickened. Serve with rice.



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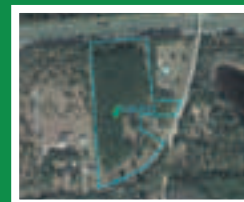


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Nearly 70 years ago I stood in this same spot as a 5 year old boy. Time has worked on me, but the barn has weathered the storms. The barn was a magic castle where I could get lost from the real world. Climbing up into the hay loft I could look out across the cow pasture and see an ocean of waves and blue water. From up here, I could spot any danger from pirate ships that might be in the area. The barn could become a fort and I would be on the look out for an indian attack.

Today I wouldn't be searching for attacking indians or pirates on high seas. Looking around I could see where the chicken pen and house used to be and the corn crib was missing. Most of the old buildings were gone, the smokehouse where I used my barlow knife to cut a bite from a curing ham was just a memory. All that was standing was the barn and tomorrow it would be torn down and hauled off. Nothing remains the same and all the people that called this place home have long been gone.

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Swinging the large front doors open, I let my eyes adjust to the darkness and I felt the cool air from inside. On each side were stalls with doors or gates, six on each side that ran the length of the barn. Back then the stalls were filled with animals, today the dust and cob webs have taken over. Each door or gate has a wooden catch or chain to keep it closed. Over the years the wooden latches have worn the boards due to the million times they were opened and closed.

Like me, these people planned on being here forever. I can see them milking the cow, churning butter and plowing the fields. Gone, their way of life has vanished, the same as mine will someday. Hanging from the walls are old horse bridles, cotton scales, mule collars, haymes, plow points and a leather bull whip. Boxes are full of nuts and bolts, axe heads, hammers, horse shoes and nails. Rusty chains, some with hooks, some without, hang from nails on every post.

Some of the tools are homemade and I can only guess what they were used for. After searching through the stalls, I find the ladder and climb up into the hayloft. Again memories from the past overtake me. Most of the stuff up here came from the farm house and the loft was used for storage. Old pictures with broken glass, books of every kind, old desk and chairs along with a steamers trunk that is locked, a pedal singer sewing machine and all types of metal, cast iron cooking pots.

All this was their life and like them, they will soon be gone and who cares. If I had it my way, this barn would be moved to my place. But when I'm gone, someone would take it down or burn it. To most of the people, what I see would be considered rusty, dusty junk. When I look at the old wooden handle plows, I see a mule pulling it and a barefooted boy being pulled along. Not

wanting to turn loose and let it all go makes me want to go to the back forty and cry. Back years ago, in this same loft, I learned that crying was not the answer. Not that crying is wrong, for some it helps, but for me it's a waste of time.

Just like plowing the mule, grab with both hands and hold on tight, move forward, don't look back, and just keep moving. Looking around I find a claw hammer and begin removing the lock from the trunk to see what kind of treasures that it might contain. The lock didn't break, bend or move but the hasp on the trunk did. A scarlet ribbon had a stack of letters bound that was posted in the early 1900's. Next was a wedding dress that time had turned yellow and some dried flowers pressed between pages of a book. A cup and saucer set, a pair of leather hightop ladies shoes and a bunch of photos of some people on vacation in California. I didn't finish looking through the trunk, I gently shut the lid. Moving down the ladder I looked inside the milking stall and found a short legged stool. Outside I sat down on the stool and leaned back against the barn door. The milking stool was made from a red oak tree, without using nails, just drilled holes and pegs. When I left, I took the stool and threw it up on top of the barn. All I took with me was memories.

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brother Bill along?” “But he’s 85 and doesn’t play golf anymore,” protested Don. “But he’s got perfect eyesight. He would watch the ball for you,” she pointed out. The next day Don teed off with Bill looking on. Don swung and the ball disappeared down the middle of the fairway. “Do you see it?” asked Don. “Yup,” Bill answered. “Well, where is it?” yelled Don, peering off into the distance. “I forgot.”

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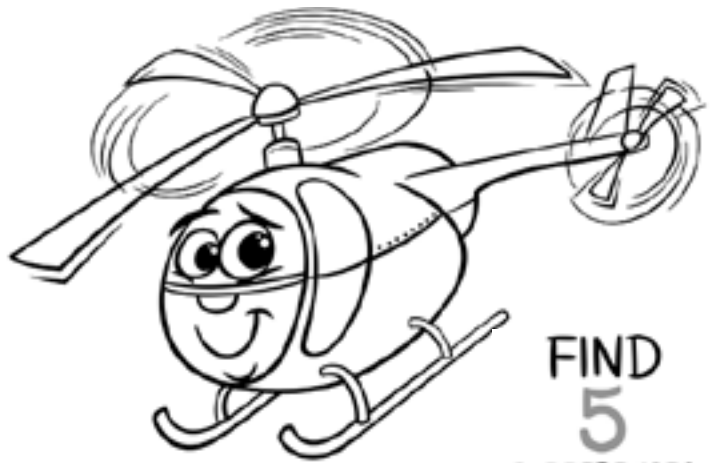
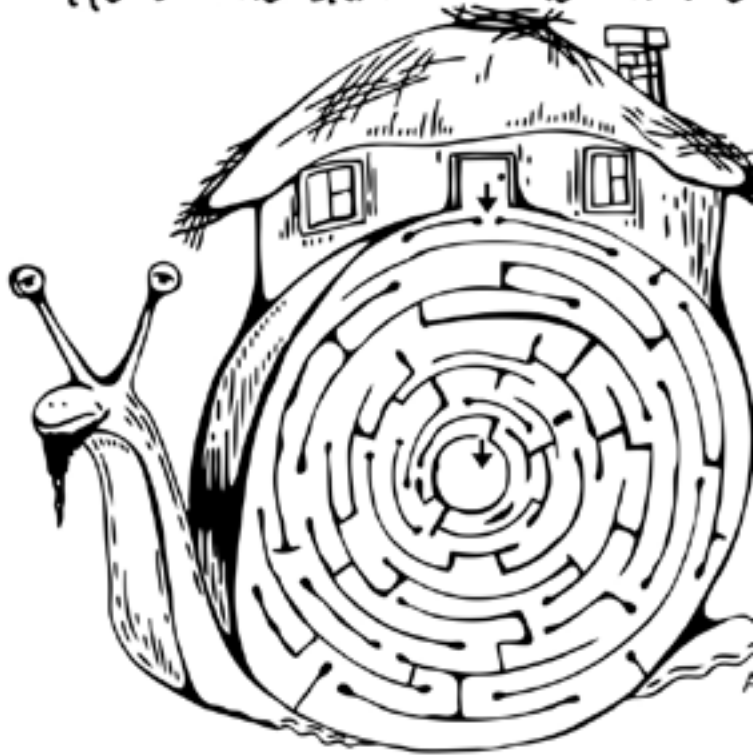
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When my three-year-old son opened the birthday gift from his grandfather, he discovered a water pistol. He squealed with delight and headed for the nearest sink. I was not so pleased. I turned to my dad and said, "I'm surprised at you. Don't you remember how we used to drive you crazy with water guns?" Dad smiled and then replied.... "I remember."

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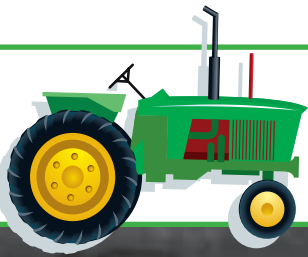
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It seems that these magazines are generally there to give the latest Hollywood, Country Music and Political gossip. However, they are often there to give people (most of the time women) advice on cooking, looking nice and driving men crazy. I enjoy cooking magazines, looking nice kind of falls to the floor along with my hair and honestly women don't need a magazine to drive men crazy. They can smile, wave or just say "Hi" and that does it for a lot of fellows. They just want your five dollars for the magazine.

Send me your five dollars and I'll tell you what a man really wants. Better yet, I'll go ahead and tell you. What a man really wants is for a woman to tell him he's right every once in a while. It's music to his ears. It cranks his tractor. It makes him want to leap tall buildings. Maybe we will skip leaping the tall buildings and move a pile of mulch or clean out the garage or something.

What they(we) want to hear every once in a while, is "You are right." When the right woman says it - life is good. *How do I know this?* On Mother's Day, I took a shot and called my godmother Phyllis. If you have been reading my stories over the past few years, you know that Phyllis called me by mistake a few years ago and we continued to talk every day on the phone for a couple of years until her health started deteriorating more and more and she started switching phone numbers. Over those years we talked, my Mama died and Phyllis declared herself my godmother and I joyfully accepted.

You would think a 95 year-old woman would be easy to find, but they are not when they are far away from you in Gary, Indiana and switch phones from time to time. Folks give her phones to use and the number changed a few times is what happened. But, I found her... And I talked to her on Mother's Day... Three people had been to see her, her grandchildren had not called her, but she was in good spirits and as she notes, "Blessed beyond imagination." In the conversation, I found out her brother Al, who had been living in New York, had passed away about two weeks ago. I had talked to Al a couple of times on the phone at Phyllis' request.



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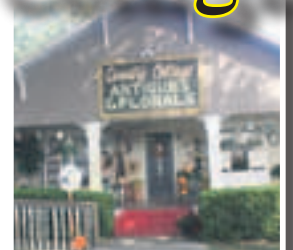
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I'm not even sure what I was saying, I'm just sure she was telling me I was right. Coming from a 95 year old woman, your godmother, who you had lost and now you had found, on Mother's Day, is about as perfect as you can get.

She didn't even ask me to move a pile of mulch or clean out the garage when she was finished. She simply told me she was happy I found her. I finished by telling her, "I was very blessed to have spoken with her on Mother's Day." She said, "Correct, correct, correct."

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Reminiscing

A woman awakes during the night to find that her husband is not in their bed. She puts on her robe and goes downstairs to look for him. She finds him sitting at the kitchen table with a cup of coffee in front of him. He appears deep in thought, just staring at the wall. She watches as he wipes a tear from his eye and takes a sip of coffee. "What's the matter, dear?" she whispers as she steps into the room. "Why are you down here at this time of night?" The husband looks up, "Do you remember 20 years ago when we were dating, and you were only 17?" he asks solemnly. The wife is touched, thinking her husband is so caring and sensitive. "Yes, I do," she replies. The husband pauses. The words are not coming easily. "Do you remember when your father caught us in the backseat of my car?" "Yes, I remember," says the wife, lowering herself into a chair beside him. The husband continues, "Do you remember when he shoved a shotgun in my face and said, "Either you marry my daughter, or I will send you to jail for 20 years!" "I remember that too," she replies softly. He wipes another tear from his cheek and says, "I would have gotten out today!"

Shopping for Mom

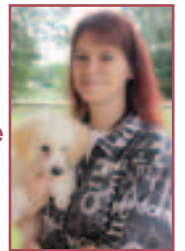
A father and son are out shopping for Christmas presents for their family. The son asks, "What present are my sister and I going to get?" The dad answers, "I got you guys an iPad and iPod." "Wow, thanks," the son replies, "What will you give mom?" The dad says, "Your mom is getting an iRon."

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Naming Children

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Pastor's Parking

A pastor of a two-church parish had to drive every Sunday morning about four miles from the 9:30 service at one church to the 11 o'clock at the other. He would often find the parking lot of the second church full, and he would be forced to park down the road and race to the church on foot. The problem was finally solved when he selected a parking spot near the side door of the church and posted a sign that read, "You Park - You Preach."

Q: What's the difference between a guitar and a fish?

A: You can tune a guitar, but you can't tuna fish.

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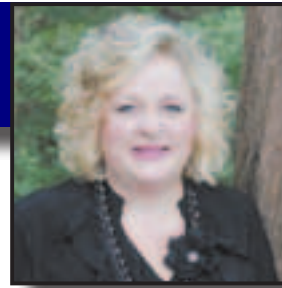
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Dear Sherri,

My mom and dad are smothering me. They participate in PTO, they are youth sponsors at church, and they come to every school function that I am involved in. I don't want to hurt their feelings, but how can I get them to back off and give me some space? Especially my Dad who wants to hang out with my friends, dress and talk like us?

Ticked off Teen

Dear Ticked off Teen,

Ah, the joys of being loved too much, LOL! I understand that as a teenager you are trying to define yourself and make your way in life. That is normal and healthy. As you grow into adulthood, it is natural to want to have your own space and identity that is separate from your parents. If it is bothering you that much, perhaps you should (lovingly) ask your parents for the occasional activity that you fly solo. Explain to them that you want to gain some independence but affirm to them that you appreciate their love and involvement in your life.

But before you talk to them, imagine for a moment what it would be like to be a kid to a single mom spaced out on drugs who never buys groceries, washes clothes or cooks meals. Imagine hitting that out-of-the-park homerun without a single family supporter in the crowd. Imagine for a moment having a father who ditches you and your mom and goes off and starts another family. Or worse yet, imagine having a father who drinks and slaps you and your mom around. There are multiplied hundreds of kids who have that as their reality day in and day out. Having a dad and

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who loves you so much that he invests in your friendships would seem the ideal life for many teens throughout the world.

When I was a teen, I remember being mortified one morning when my mom drove me to school in her bath robe. I prayed she would let me out of the car far away from the cool kids. It has only been since I have reached adulthood, that I have realized that the reason my mom did that is because she was exhausted from working two jobs to support us. As a single mom, she sacrificed to meet our needs. What seemed embarrassing at the time, in retrospect, is proof positive how very much she loved me.

I do not mean to minimize your feelings. But understand this- you have the rest of your life to stand on your own two feet and make your way. There is only the briefest of moments where you can enjoy life with much financial, emotional and tangible support from your family. Let your parents know how much you appreciate them. Count your blessings- you may find that later in life your father becomes your very best friend. You will be amazed at how your school friends fade out of your life after high school, but parents are for life!

Sherry

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Vanity

The girl knelt in the confessional and said, "Bless me, Father, for I have sinned." "What is it, child?" "Father, I have committed the sin of vanity. Twice a day I gaze at myself in the mirror and tell myself how beautiful I am." The priest turned, took a good look at the girl, and said, "My dear, I have good news. That isn't a sin... it's simply a mistake."

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Ephesians 6:4 NIV



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Obsessive Nursing Disorder

A nurse had been doing twelve-hour shifts on a medical/surgical unit. One evening she finally got to enjoy an action movie with her husband. As they were sitting in the theater holding hands. During the exciting chase scene, he turned to her and said. "Look, if you wanna hold hands, fine, but quit taking my pulse, okay?"

A Gift For The Old Man

A lumberjack had raised his only son and had managed to finance the young man's college education by the only way he knew how, cutting down trees, by hand. The young man had helped his father cut down some of those trees. He knew how hard his father had to work to put him through college. When the son started college he promised himself the first thing he would do was to buy his father a present that would make the old man's life easier. The son saved, scrimped and finally had enough money to purchase the finest chain saw in the world. On a school vacation the son asks his dad how many trees could he cut down in one day. The father a large husky man thought and said on a good day he was able to bring down twenty trees. The son gave the father the brand new chain saw and said from now on he would be able to triple the amount and only work half as hard. The old man was very pleased and said he had the best son in the world. The young man left for school the next morning and wasn't able to return until the next school break, three months later. When he arrived he immediately noticed that his dad appeared run down. He asked if his father was feeling alright. The old man replied that cutting trees was getting harder and harder and now with the new chain saw he was working longer hours but not cutting as many trees as before. The son knew there was something wrong and thought perhaps the saw he purchased wasn't as good as advertised. He asked to

check it out. Upon examining it he checked the oiler and it was full. He checked the gas and it too was full. He yanked on the cord & immediately it roared to life. His father grabbed him by the shirt and hollered, "WHAT'S THAT NOISE!!!!"


Marinade

One evening a man was very impressed with the meat entree his wife had served. "What did you marinate this in?" he asked. His wife immediately went into a long explanation about how much she loved him and how life wouldn't be the same without him, etc. Eventually, his puzzled expression made her interrupt her answer with a question of her own, "What did you ask me?" She chuckled at his answer and explained, "I thought you asked me if I would marry you again!" As she left the room, he called out, "Well, would you marry me again?" Without hesitation, she said, "Vinegar and barbecue sauce."

No Brains

A lawyer was cross-examining the doctor about whether or not he had checked the pulse of the deceased before he signed the death certificate. "No," the doctor said. "I did not check his pulse." "And did you listen for a heartbeat?" asked the lawyer. "No I did not," the doctor said. "So," said the lawyer, "when you signed the death certificate, you had not taken steps to make sure he was dead." The doctor said, "Well, let me put it this way. The man's brain was in a jar on my desk but, for all I know, he could be out practicing law somewhere."

"Daddy, did you know that girls are smarter than boys?"
"No, I didn't know that."
"See, there you go."



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The Times of P.L. (Pea Likker) Mcpherson Daddy's Fire

My dad's Christian belief leaned toward Primitive Baptist, because it's the way he was raised, but he seemed to be comfortable in any congregation regardless of doctrine. He said many times, *"I believe what I believe and that's all I believe"*. He was no stranger to the Bible and although he had only a third grade education, he read and understood it very well. The knowledge he gained was engrained in his everyday life, and any person that looked could see it.

He attended whatever church we lived closest to and always sat quietly toward the back and never got involved in church business. If people worshiped quietly, he was fine with it; if they ran the aisles and jumped a pew or two, that didn't bother him either; he still believed what he believed, and that's all he believed.

We were living at Hinson's Crossroads and attended a church up the hill about a quarter mile. It was a very cold winter and though a few people in the church looked down their noses at daddy because he didn't worship the way they did (some even said that he was lost and going to Hell), they didn't mind asking him to build a fire in the old wood heater early on Sunday morning to warm the building for the service.

Their whispers about his relationship with God never seemed to bother him, and about daylight on Sundays, he would walk about a quarter mile up the hill and start a fire in the old iron heater that sat about halfway between the pulpit and congregation on the left side. Then, after going back home and eating breakfast, he would go back to the church and add wood before service time.

Now on one such morning, he had the heater almost glowing red, and in the middle of the Rev. Rogers' sermon (a visiting minister at the time), some of the little ladies sitting on the right side began to feel the Spirit of the Lord. They jumped up and began dancing in the Spirit. Then a few of the men started running around in the Spirit too. If you've ever been in a service like this, then you know that the sermon was over.

As Rev. Rogers started down from the pulpit, something very strange happened. His foot got tangled around something and he started falling. One could see by his facial expressions that falling was not what he intended and he would do whatever necessary to keep from doing so. He fell to the left, then to the right, backwards and forward catching himself each time. It seemed as if he fell for five minutes before heading directly for the old, hot iron heater my dad had worked so hard to prepare. There he finally rested, his upper body lying flatly on top, hugging the old heater as if it was a long lost friend.

After seeing what had happened, some men helped disengage him, thinking a hospital would be the next order of business. Normally one would have been seriously burned, but not the Rev. Rogers. His white shirt, tie and coat was not scorched and no red markings appeared anywhere on his face or hands. In fact, he said he was not sure of what had happened, but was definitely intact, with no burns.

Talk about the three Hebrew children.

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- Big boys don't cry.
- Don't worry. It's only blood.
- Now you listen to ME, Buster!
- I'll play catch after I read the paper.
- Coffee will stunt your growth.
- A little dirt never hurt anyone, just wipe it off.
- I told you, keep your eye on the ball.
- Who said life was supposed to be fair.
- You call that a haircut?
- "Hey" is for horses.
- This will hurt me a lot more than it hurts you.
- Turn off those lights.
- Do you think I am made of money?
- Don't give me any of your lip, young lady.
- You call that noise "music"?
- We're not lost. I'm just not sure where we are.
- No, we're not there yet.
- Shake it off. It's only pain.
- When I was your age, I treated MY father with respect.
- As long as you live under my roof, you'll live by my rules.
- I'll tell you why. Because I said so. That's why.
- Do what I say, not what I do.
- So you think you're smart, do you?
- What's so funny? Wipe that smile off your face.
- If I've told you once, I've told you a thousand times.
- C'mon, you throw like a girl.
- You want something to do? I'll give you something to do.
- You should visit more often. Your mother worries.
- This is your last warning.
- I'm not sleeping, I was resting my eyes.
- What keeps those jeans of yours from falling off?
- I'm not just talking to hear my own voice!
- Don't believe anything you hear and only half of what you see.
- What do you think I am, a bank?
- What part of NO don't you understand?
- I don't care what other people are doing! I'm not a father to everybody else!
- You're not leaving my house dressed like that!
- What will other parents think?
- Worrying about things you can't change is like a rocking chair... it gives you something to do, but it doesn't get you anywhere.
- I feel for you, but I can't reach you from here.
- If you're gonna be dumb, you've gotta be tough.
- Didn't your teacher learn you anything?!
- It's hard to be good, and easy to be bad.
- Don't tell on anybody unless you tell on yourself first.
- Hey, did you hear me talking to you?
- You know you're always gonna be Daddy's little girl.
- I'm not watching television. I'm resting my eyes.
- Don't use that tone with me!
- Am I talking to a brick wall?
- If I catch you doing that one more time, I'll...
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What I'm Looking For

A woman was shopping for outfits for her 50th high-school reunion when a group of teenage girls came in the same shop to try on prom dresses. "This dress makes me look forty years old," one girl remarked. The woman called out, "May I have it? That's just what I'm looking for."

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By: Scott Ward, Gearhead & Auto Connoisseur

Father's Accounting

My father's method of accounting for the hundreds of cattle on his ranch was very unique. Every spring, he would move the herd down a long ramp, through a wooden gate and into a holding pen for inspection. As each animal entered the pen, he marked the count on the gate. One summer, he went to the bank to apply for a loan, using his cattle for collateral. The bank officer asked to see his records. "No problem," replied Dad. He went back to the ranch, took the gate off its hinges and brought it to the bank. He got the loan.

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Bug bites are just not fun! They itch, are painful, they itch, can get infected, they itch, and also they itch. It is summertime and bugs are everywhere. They are just a fact of life in this area. If you get a group of "No-see-ums" around you, people might think you are a kung-fu master training as you wave your hands around trying to stop the little monsters. *So what do you do with that mosquito, ant, fly, or other bug bite?* First, wash the site with soap and water or use an antiseptic. Then, if possible, apply an ice pack to it for about 15 minutes out of every hour for the first few hours. This will help reduce swelling and reduce the stinging sensation. If you are taking care of a child with a bite, cut his or her fingernails. This will greatly help to reduce secondary infection and keep from scratching and breaking down the skin. Of course, topical antibiotic first aid creams and keeping the site covered can be helpful. Getting creative in reducing

bugs around the house can effectively reduce your risk as well. Building bat houses and planting certain plants can greatly reduce mosquitoes in particular. Using bug sprays, whether commercial or homemade can reduce your risk even more. Getting online and looking up a homemade bug spray recipe is very easy to do using ingredients such as: citronella, clove, lemongrass, rosemary, tea tree, cajeput, eucalyptus, cedar, catnip, and lavender. These aren't as effective as deet containing products, but can be much less potentially harmful, even if requiring more frequent applications.

For swimmer's ear, using equal parts white vinegar and rubbing alcohol mixtures with a few drops after swimming can prevent those painful ear infections. If the little one gets an ear infection, applying heat can help soothe the pain as well.

Sunburn is another, almost inevitable, summertime malady. Just prior to one of my many model shoots, I will often lay out in the sun while my wife brings me fresh lemonade, just to keep my bronze skin fresh. Using sunscreen can be the most effective way to address the sun to keep from burning, *but what do you do if you get a bad sunburn?* Keeping yourself hydrated will help your body's natural response. Keeping aloe, menthol, camphor, or other lotions cool and then applying them when needed can help relieve the burning sensation, even if temporarily. If you do get burned, these areas will be more likely to be burnt in the future and should be protected. If you do happen to get a fever >102°, blisters covering more than 20% of your body, or feel that you are getting dehydrated, that is time to see your doctor. Similarly, with scrapes, cuts, abrasions, and the super rare husband burns on the grill-cleaning site is the most important part. Keeping them covered and looking for redness, foul drainage while your body heals is the best recommendation.

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Blonde on a Plane

There was once a blonde woman on a plane to Tampa. She was in the economy class, but after takeoff, she saw an empty seat in first class and moved there. An attendant saw her and said, "Excuse me, ma'am, but you have a ticket for economy class, not first. You cannot stay here." The blonde replied, "I can and I will." The attendant told the copilot, who came and talked to the woman. "Ma'am, we really can't have you staying in this seat, your ticket was for economy." "You can't make me move." The copilot told the captain, who tried to talk her out of the seat but it didn't work. Finally, a man who had heard what had been going on told the attendant to let him have a go at getting the woman out of the seat because he was married to a blonde too, so he knew how to deal with her. After a quick chat with her, she moved. The shocked attendant asked him how he did it. The man replied, "I told her first class wasn't going to Tampa."

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Proper Behavior

A teacher at a school, wanting to point out the proper behavior for church, was trying to elicit from the youngsters rules that their parents might give before taking them to a nice restaurant. "Don't play with your food," one second grader cited. "Don't be loud," said another, and so on. "And what rule do your parents give you before you go out to eat?" the priest inquired of one little boy. Without batting an eye, the child replied, "Order something cheap!"

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Husband: "ABCDEFGHIJK."

Wife: "What does that mean?"

Husband: "Adorable, beautiful, cute, delightful, elegant, fashionable, gorgeous, and hot."

Wife: "Aw, thank you, but what about IJK?"

Husband: "I'm just kidding!"

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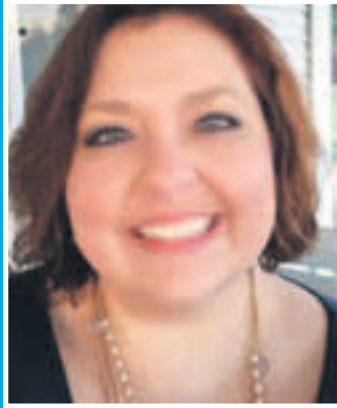
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Dresses for the Nations

I want to introduce you to some dear friends. You probably know them. You actually may have passed them in the fabric department of our local Walmart.

A visit in the rain one morning recently with these amazing women left me in tears. Full on- blubbering tears. It happened before I ever got there-- I thought of all the little girls in Haiti, Bolivia, Argentina, Honduras (and I'm not sure where else), who have had the gift and blessing to wear a brand new little dress made by these dear hands.

These ladies buy fabric (or sometimes they are gifted beautiful fabric!), and buttons, and thread and even matching undies for these little girl dresses. They cut, iron, sew, label and pray over each one.

One of the sweetest and most powerful things said that day by Mrs. Peggy was, *"if the gift of these dresses doesn't lead to a conversation about Jesus then they aren't doing what we intend them to do."*

Wow. That is truly being intentional for Christ. Every stitch--every seam, every button. And they are adorable. Tenille and I both think we would look *"cute"* in one. (It's a wish anyway!)

These ladies have a heart for the nations. For the children of the world. They haven't been led to go on a mission trip overseas--but God has given them a job--and it started with a passion and desire of heart and blossomed into a wonderful group of women from East Side Baptist Church in Vernon, Florida who meet regularly to sew dresses. They are sewing seams and sowing seeds.

I've always felt that I would somehow be part of those who *"sewed"* for the world....it started when several churches gathered to sew curtains for the Dream Center in Cambodia...and here we are again. This time I'm not the seamstress, I'm the transporter! I get to *"carry the love"* sewn into each item! That's where my heart is!

I told Tenille, Mrs. Peggy and Mrs. Gloria that day that Jeff shared their mission project and heart for missions almost everywhere we spoke. This mission is just as important as going...these awesome ladies are



sending. They loaded me up with blessings overflowing.

As of the printing of this—I'm in Bolivia. Possibly this very minute, passing out a dress packed with care, or maybe a potholder handmade with purpose and heart—or I may be watching the crusade, snapping pictures of the kids and giving the teacher her very own "handmade tote" filled with school supplies donated by one of the many churches and individuals who have their handprints all over this trip. Or, I may be helping with the brick laying. At the very least, cleaning the brick. Whatever our hands find to do—we do with all our might and heart—full on.

There were two ladies that I didn't get to meet on the day of my visit—but I have known and loved Tenille and her mom, Gloria for a long time--and met Peggy last year and felt such a kindred spirit. They took on an additional challenge this year and knocked my socks off!

Thank you ladies...for loving the world and reaching out with the abilities and gifts God gave you! Completely—wholeheartedly! East Side Baptist Church in Vernon is one of more than 9 churches involved in this trip to Bolivia. Individuals have "given" items, financial contributions, or sending people!

What a God we serve--and look at the people being The Church and working together! I LOVE IT! If you are ever in Vernon, Florida, say a prayer as you go through for the wonderful ladies of East Side Baptist Church who are reaching around the world and dressing the little girls of the nations!

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A little girl was diligently pounding away on her dad's computer. She told him she was writing a story. "What's it about?" he asked. "I don't know," she replied. "I can't read."

Father of the Boy

A husband and wife have four boys. The odd part of it is that the older three have red hair, light skin, and are tall, while the youngest son has black hair, dark eyes, and is short. The father eventually takes ill and is lying on his deathbed when he turns to his wife and says, "Honey, before I die, be completely honest with me. Is our youngest son my child?" The wife replies, "I swear on everything that's holy that he is your son." With that, the husband passes away. The wife then mutters, "Thank God he didn't ask about the other three."

Inheritance

A man in a bar sees a friend at a table, drinking by himself. Approaching the friend, he comments, "You look terrible. What's the problem?" "My mother died in August," he said, "and left me \$25,000." "Gee, that's tough," he replied. "Then in September," the friend continued, "my father died, leaving me \$90,000." "Wow. Two parents gone in two months. No wonder you're depressed." "Then last month, my aunt died and left me \$15,000." "Three close family members lost in three months? How sad." "Then this month," continued the friend, "absolutely nothing!"

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Dad Approved

A good friend of mine warned me that, as my three daughters became old enough to date, I'd disapprove of every young man who took them out. When the time came, I was pleased that my friend's prediction was wrong. Each boy was pleasant and well-mannered. Talking to my daughter Joanna one day, I said that I liked all the young men she and her sisters brought home. "You know, Dad," she replied, "we don't show you everybody."



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The Mirror

An old man and his wife lived deep in the hills and seldom saw many people. One day a peddler came by to sell his goods and asked the man if he or his wife wanted to buy anything. "Well, my wife ain't home, she's gone down to the crick to wash clothes, but lemme see what you got," said the man. The peddler showed him pots and pans, tools and gadgets, but the old man wasn't interested. Then the man spotted a mirror and said, "What's that?" Before the peddler could tell him it was a mirror, the old man picked it up and said, "My gosh! How'd you get a picture of my Pappy?" The old man was so happy he traded his wife's best pitcher for it. The peddler left before the wife came back and spoiled his sale. The old man was worried that the wife would be mad at him for trading her best pitcher, so he hid it in the barn behind some boxes of junk. He would go out to the barn 2 or 3 times a day to look at the "picture" and eventually the wife got suspicious. One day she got fed up and after he retired for the night, she went out to the barn. She saw the mirror behind the boxes, picked it up and said, "So this is the hussy he's been foolin' around with!"

Coffee Anyone?

In our home we tend to get the children to help out. One day our youngest son came in to the living room and asked, "Does anyone want a cup of coffee?" "Yes please!" we said. He replied, "What kind of coffee do you want? Capitated or decapitated?"



What If

A small boy was at the zoo with his father. They were looking at the tigers, and his father was telling him how ferocious they were. "Daddy, if the tigers got out and ate you up..." "Yes, son?" the father asked, ready to console him. "Which bus would I take home?"

Keep It Cool Grandma

A second grader came home from school and said to her grandmother, "Grandma, guess what? We learned how to make babies today." The grandmother, more than a little surprised, tried to keep her cool. "That's interesting," she said, "how do you make babies?" "It's simple," replied the girl. "You just change 'y' to 'i' and add 'es'."

Jest A-Chewin'

An old gentleman grew hard of hearing and was worried about becoming totally deaf. One day, as he rested on a park bench, another elderly citizen seated himself alongside. The worried old gentleman saw that the new comer was talking rapidly, but his ears caught no faintest sound of the other's voice. He listened intently--in vain. He cupped a hand to his ear, but there was only silence. At last, in despair, he spoke his thought aloud: "It's come at last! I know you've been talking all this while, but I haven't heard a single word." The answer, given with a grin, was explicit and satisfying to the worried deaf man: "I hain't been talkin'--jest a-chewin'."



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No Brakes

There's a blonde and a brunette in a car. The brunette is driving while the blonde is in the passenger seat. They're going down a steep hill when the brunette realizes that the brakes don't work. The brunette tells the blonde that the brakes don't work and they will drive off the side of the cliff because they failed to stop. The blonde then replies, "Don't worry! There's a stop sign ahead."

Foot Meets Mouth

While shopping for vacation, Sara and her husband passed a display of bathing suits. It had been ten years and thirty pounds since she had even considered wearing a bathing suit, so she asked her husband's advice. "What do you think? Should I get a bikini or an all in one?" "Better get a bikini," he replied, "you'd never get all that in one." He's still in intensive care.

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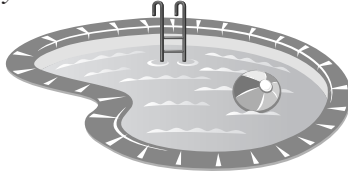
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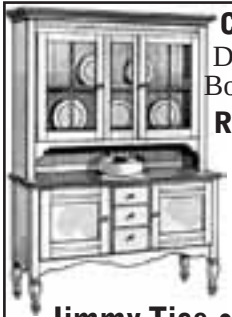
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**Papa Shu's
Movie Review**
By: Timothy Shumaker
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Captain America: Civil War

Spoiler Alert! If you do not want to know how this movie ends, please stop reading. Movie plots will be revealed!

We all make mistakes. As Romans 3:23 tells us, "All have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God." The severity of our sins can be weighed by the consequences of our actions. If you have superhuman abilities like the Avengers, those consequences are much more costly and way more devastating to bystanders. Even though the Avengers have saved the world countless times, the collateral damage of their battles has left an increasing number of human casualties. As a result the world's governments have drawn up the Sokovia Accords—an agreement between the planet and the superheroes who protect it. It prohibits any more unauthorized acts of heroism without the permission of the governing counsel. Many heroes, including Iron Man, support the Accords. He believes that superheroes need a little accountability. However, others, including Captain America, have their doubts. Organizations, however well-meaning, have a tendency to foster their own agendas and tend to delay action. A bomb interrupts the signing to the treaty and Captain America's best friend, Bucky Barnes, aka the

Winter Soldier, is quickly blamed. A world-wide man-hunt ensues and the Captain is committed to proving his friend's innocence. Superheroes are also human and their emotions and human frailty are pushed to their limits.

Parents should have the same concerns about the violent content found in most every "superhero" movie. There are realistic destruction scenes that echo the fear and violence found in the real world today. Parents should really consider the effect upon children with the increasing amount of violence found in this type of movie. Is it really just "action?" But Civil War manages to go deeper than just the issue of violence and raises some thought-provoking discussion concerning the role of government and our interaction with government. The book of Romans chapter 13, the Bible tells us to be subject to the governing authorities. This is Ironman's position in the movie, whereas Captain America appropriately represents American philosophies of truth, justice, liberty and individualism. Even though his past sins come back to haunt him, the Winter Soldier is proven to be innocent of the bombing, but only after shattering the Avengers solidarity and camaraderie. When it comes to the idea of the government killing a potentially innocent man, Capt'n simply can't compromise. Even though Ironman side of the controversy represents a Biblical perspective, Tony Starke is consumed with vengeance against the man that killed his parents. The end of "Civil War" leaves the viewer feeling like children in a nasty divorce. However, Captain America does extend the olive branch giving the hope of reconciliation.

There are definitely many talking points in this movie. Viewers should remember that when it comes to entrusting your life and faith, the solution is not in people or government, but in Christ Jesus alone.

Blessings,
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- I said I was good at making decisions. I didn't say the decisions I made were good.
- Are you supposed to get an email that says "HAHA-HA" after signing up for Match.com?
- How strange, some guy just waved half of a peace sign at me.
- A baby's laughter is one of the most beautiful sounds you will ever hear... unless it's 3a.m. and you don't have a baby, and you're home alone...
- You can learn a lot about a woman by watching her load a gun.
- Women only call me Ugly until they find out how much Money I make... Then they call me ugly and poor.
- I don't mind going to work. It's that eight-hour wait to go home that bugs me.
- Sadly no matter how hard you try, you can't mail a fart. Too bad though, because this would actually make paying bills a lot more fun.
- The reason good men are hard to find.....because they're usually too busy working.
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