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Laughs and Lifts is published so that you might be entertained or encouraged and forget about your problems and laugh, or at least smile for a moment or two. And if while reading Laughs and Lifts you draw closer to the Lord Jesus, well my goal has been accomplished.

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Underneath the MAILMAN wrote, "Oh, yes they do."

EnLIGHTened


A couple were returning home after a night out. The husband forgot his keys so the wife, a little annoyed, uses her keys to try to open the door. But the lock wouldn't budge. She asked her husband to turn on the flashlight and tried it again. The lock wouldn't budge. After trying for 20 minutes, she finally hands over the keys to the husband and says, "Here, you try".

The husband inserts the key into the hole and turns. The lock opens immediately. No sooner the husband takes the key out of the locks, the wife quips, "You see... now THAT'S how you hold the light!"

"Do Not Touch!" Must be the scariest thing to read in braille.



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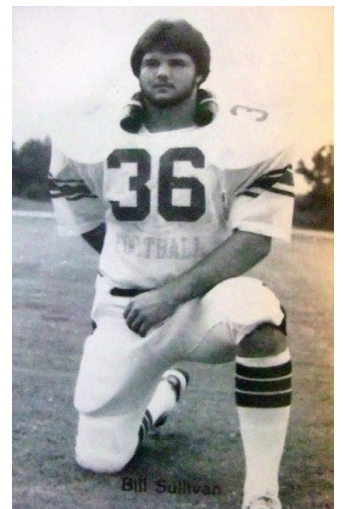
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1. At a movie theater, which 'arm rest' is yours?
2. In the word scent, is the "S" silent or "C"?
3. If people evolve from monkeys, why are monkeys still around?
4. Why is there a 'D' in fridge, but not in refrigerator?
5. Who knew what time it was when the first clock was made?

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16TH	COMMUNITY LEADERS APPRECIATION SERVICE	10:45 AM
MONDAY, OCTOBER 17TH	OZARK CITY SCHOOLS TEACHER APPRECIATION BREAKFASTS	6:30 AM
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18TH	NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS DAY	VARIOUS
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19TH	FIRST RESPONDERS APPRECIATION LUNCH	11:30 AM
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20TH	OZARK PUBLIC WORKS APPRECIATION LUNCH	11:30 AM
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21ST	DALE MEDICAL CENTER DIETARY & HOUSEKEEPING DAY	TBD
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22ND	OZARK'S MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAY BREAKFAST	8 AM
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29TH	OZARK'S TRUNK & TREAT	6 PM – TILL
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30TH	OZARK BAPTIST'S FALL STREET FESTIVAL	4PM—6 PM

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9:30 am	Small Groups Study Time	6:00 pm	Small Groups Study Time Youth Group Tribes Sanctuary Choir Practice
10:45 am	Blended Music Worship Service In Main Sanctuary	8:00 pm	829 Band Practice
<u>TUESDAY</u>		<u>THURSDAY</u>	
6:30 pm	Ladies Bible Study	7 am	Men's Bible Study

Just to be clear, there is no plan to eliminate student debt.

There is a plan to transfer that debt to those that don't owe it.

MY PAST IS WHAT I'VE BEEN THROUGH, IT'S NOT WHO I AM. IT HAS HELPED TO MOLD ME, BUT IT DOESN'T DEFINE ME.

This morning, I accidentally changed the GPS Voice to "Male." Now it just says, "It's around here somewhere. Keep driving."

You don't need an undertaker.

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John Cawley

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The Wedding Text

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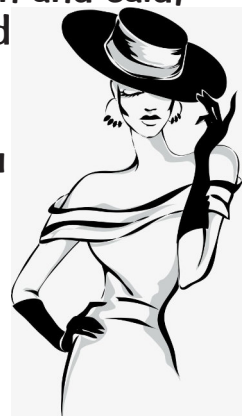
His son texts back: "Thanks Dad. But the wedding isn't actually until tomorrow!"

His Father replies: "I know."


Uncle Waldo Advice

Men, if you went on a cruise ship during your summer vacation and you met a woman and fell in love, here's some advice my wise old Uncle Waldo once told me: "There's a 50/50 chance that someday you'll wind up very she sick."

I bumped into a mannequin and said, "Sorry." and then said, "Oh I thought you were a person." Then I realized I was still talking to a mannequin.



Worrying is assuming God doesn't know what He's doing.



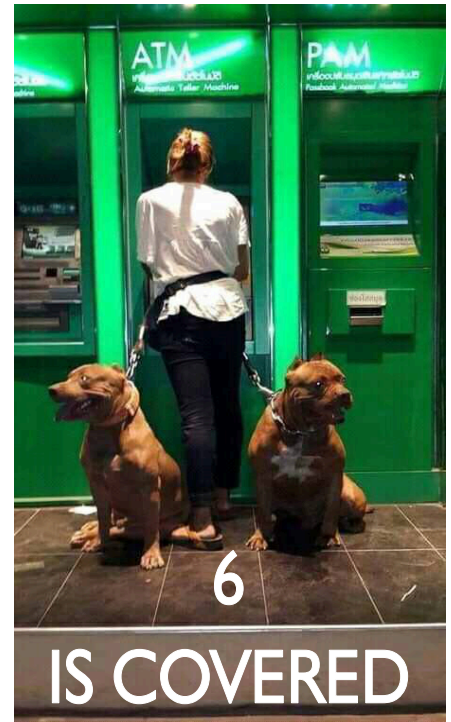
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Daughter: Dad, I have a flat tire!
Dad: Can't you call your husband?
Daughter: I tried, he didn't answer.
Dad: Do you have a spare?
Daughter: He didn't answer either.

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My father said there were two kinds of people in the world: givers and takers. The takers may eat better, but the givers sleep better.
Marlo Thomas

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YOUR ANTI-BUCKET LIST

Things I have no desire to do!

- Go Sky Diving
- Eat Sushi
- Run a Marathon
- Bungee Jumping
- Vote 4 a Communist

Think

Little Known Fact

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"But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.. (Isaiah 40:31)

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A little boy was waiting for his
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Post Office is?"
The little boy replied, "Sure! Just
go straight down this street and
at the end turn to your right."
The man thanked the boy kindly
and said, "I'm the new minister in
town. I'd like for you to come to
church on Sunday. I'll show you
how to get To Heaven."
The little boy replied with a
chuckle. "Awww, come on... You
don't even know the way to the
Post Office."

Bakery: "It's nice to be kneaded."
Car Dealership: "The best way to
get back on your feet - miss a car
payment."
Computer Store: "Out for a quick
byte."
Operating Room Entrance: "May I
Cut In?"
Photographer's Studio: "Out to
Lunch: If not back by five, out for
Dinner also."
Podiatrist's Office: "Time wounds
all heels."
Proctologist's Door: "To expedite
your visit, please back in."

The carpenter I hired to help me restore an old farmhouse had just finished a rough first day on the job. A flat tire made him lose an hour of work, his electric saw quit, and now his ancient pickup truck refused to start. While I drove him home, he sat in stony silence.

On arriving, he invited me in to meet his family. As we walked toward the front door, he paused briefly at a small tree, touching the tips of the branches with both hands.

When opening the door he underwent an amazing transformation. His tanned face was wreathed in smiles and he hugged his two small children and gave his wife a kiss.

Afterward he walked me to the car. We passed the tree and my curiosity got the better of me. I asked him about what I had seen him do earlier.

"Oh, that's my trouble tree," he replied. "I know I can't help having troubles on the job, but one thing's for sure, troubles don't belong in the house with my wife and the children. So I just hang them on the tree every night when I come home. Then in the morning I pick them up again."

He paused. "Funny thing is," he smiled, "when I come out in the morning to pick 'em up, there ain't nearly as many as I remember hanging up the night before."



Greatness At All Cost

A little boy was overheard talking to himself as he strutted through the backyard, wearing his baseball cap and toting a ball and bat: "I'm the greatest hitter in the world," he announced.

Then, he tossed the ball into the air, swung at it, and missed.

"Strike one!" he yelled. Undaunted, he picked up the ball and said again, "I'm the greatest hitter in the world!"

He tossed the ball into the air. When it came down he swung again and missed.

"Strike two!" he cried.

The boy then paused a moment to examine his bat and ball carefully. He spit on his hands and rubbed them together. He straightened his cap and said once more, "I'm the greatest hitter in the world!"

Again he tossed the ball up in the air and swung at it. He missed.

"Strike three!"

"Wow!" he exclaimed. "I'm the greatest PITCHER in the world!"

Not Guilty

A man went to trial for armed robbery.

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The old man replies, "Woah wait buddy, I don't have that much money but let me call my son, he trains dolphins."

The old man dials his son as he is about to speak the owner of the expensive car yanks the phone out of his hand and says "So you train dolphins, well your old man just hit and damaged my car, you bring me \$10,000 or I'm gonna beat the heck outta him and you !"

The son answers "Okay, give me 15 minutes and I'll be there." In exactly 15 minutes the son pulls up in a Jeep, Ten men jump out and beat the heck out of the expensive car owner. Meanwhile the son walks over to his father and says "Dad I train Navy Seals not dolphins"

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A young couple moved into a new house. The next morning while they were eating breakfast, the young woman saw her neighbor hanging the washing outside.



"That laundry is not very clean; she doesn't know how to wash correctly. Perhaps she needs better soap powder. Her husband looked on, remaining silent. Every time her neighbor hung her washing out to dry, the young woman made the same comments. A month later, the woman was surprised to see a nice clean wash on the line and said to her husband, "Look, she's finally learned how to wash correctly. I wonder who taught her this?" The husband replied, "I got up early this morning and cleaned our windows." And so it is with life... What we see when watching others depends on the clarity of the window through which we look. So don't be too quick to judge others, especially if your perspective of life is clouded by anger, jealousy, negativity or unfulfilled desires. "Judging a person does not define who they are. It defines who you are."



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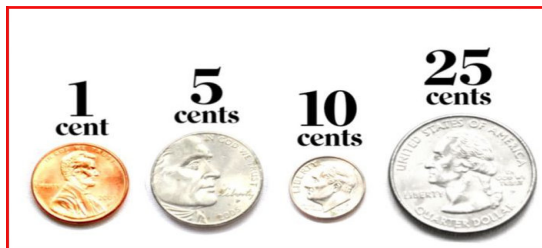


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AN AMBUSH. TIGERS ARE
KNOWN TO BE SOLITARY
ANIMALS BUT WHEN THEY
DO TRAVEL IN A PACK, ITS
CONSIDERED AN AMBUSH
OF TIGERS.



Two coins = 30 cents
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What are the two coins?

Answer on page 31

I don't understand why
people have to "get ready"
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I'm always ready
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ORANGE & PEAR UPSIDE DOWN CAKE

Ingredients

- 1/2 cup butter, cubed
- 1/2 cup packed brown sugar
- 2 tablespoons grated orange zest, divided
- 2 medium ripe pears, peeled and quartered
- 2/3 cup sugar
- 1/3 cup coconut oil
- 1 large egg, room temperature
- 1-1/3 cups all-purpose flour
- 1-1/2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 3/4 cup half-and-half cream



Directions

1. Preheat oven to 350°. Place butter in a 10-in. cast-iron or other ovenproof skillet; place pan in oven until butter is melted, 3-5 minutes. Carefully tilt pan to coat bottom and sides with butter. Sprinkle with brown sugar and 1 tablespoon orange zest. Arrange pears in a single layer over sugar.
2. In a large bowl, beat sugar, coconut oil, egg and remaining 1 tablespoon orange zest until well blended. In another bowl, whisk flour, baking powder and salt; gradually beat into sugar mixture alternately with cream.
3. Spoon over pears. Bake until a toothpick inserted in center comes out clean, 45-50 minutes. Cool 10 minutes before inverting onto a serving plate. Serve warm.

CARAMEL AND PEAR PUDDING

Ingredients

- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 1-1/2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/8 teaspoon ground cloves
- 1/2 cup 2% milk
- 4 medium pears, peeled and cubed
- 1/2 cup chopped pecans
- 3/4 cup packed brown sugar
- 1/4 cup butter, softened
- 1/2 cup boiling water
- Vanilla ice cream, optional



Directions

1. In a large bowl, combine flour, sugar, baking powder, cinnamon, salt and cloves. Stir in milk until smooth. Add pears and pecans. Spread evenly into a 3-qt. slow cooker coated with cooking spray.
2. In a small bowl, combine brown sugar and butter; stir in boiling water. Pour over batter (do not stir). Cover and cook on low for 3-4 hours or until pears are tender. Serve warm, with ice cream if desired.

APPLE SPICE CAKE WITH BROWN SUGAR FROSTING

Ingredients

- 4 medium Honeycrisp apples, peeled and cut into 1-inch pieces
- 2 cups sugar
- 1/2 cup canola oil
- 2 large eggs, room temperature
- 2 teaspoons vanilla extract
- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 tablespoon pumpkin pie spice
- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 cup buttermilk
- 1-1/2 cups chopped walnuts, toasted

FROSTING:

- 1 package (8 ounces) cream cheese, softened
- 1/2 cup butter, softened
- 1 cup confectioners' sugar
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- 1-1/2 teaspoons vanilla extract
- 1 teaspoon pumpkin pie spice
- 1-1/2 cups chopped walnuts, toasted



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**I had a lot of stuff to do today.
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& Lifts**

Directions

1. Preheat oven to 350°. Line bottoms of 2 greased 9-in. round baking pans with parchment; grease parchment.
2. Place apples in a food processor; pulse until finely chopped. In a large bowl, beat sugar, oil, eggs and vanilla until well blended. In another bowl, whisk flour, pie spice, baking powder and salt; gradually beat into sugar mixture alternately with buttermilk. Stir in apples and walnuts.
3. Transfer to prepared pans. Bake until a toothpick inserted in center comes out clean, 35-40 minutes. Cool in pans 10 minutes before removing to wire racks; remove paper. **Cool completely.**
4. In a large bowl, beat cream cheese, butter, sugars, vanilla and pie spice until smooth. Spread frosting between layers and over top and sides of cake. Gently press walnuts into frosting on top of cake. Refrigerate leftovers.

APPLE-SWEET POTATO PECAN DUMP CAKE

Ingredients

- 1 can (21 ounces) apple pie filling
- 1 can (16 ounces) cut sweet potatoes in syrup, drained and cut into 1/2-inch pieces
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/2 teaspoon pumpkin pie spice
- 1 package butter pecan cake mix (regular size)
- 3/4 cup shredded white cheddar cheese
- 3/4 cup butter, cubed
- 1/2 cup caramel ice cream topping
- 1 cup chopped pecans
- Vanilla ice cream or sweetened whipped cream, optional



Directions

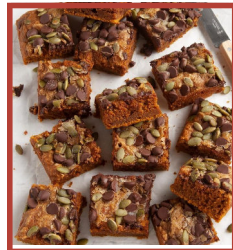
1. Preheat oven to 350°. Combine pie filling, sweet potatoes, cinnamon and pie spice in a greased 13x9-in. baking dish. Sprinkle with cake mix and cheese; dot with butter. Drizzle with caramel and sprinkle with pecans. Bake until golden brown, 45-50 minutes. Let stand 10 minutes. Serve warm, with ice cream or whipped cream if desired.

PUMPKIN SNACK CAKE

If you prefer a sweeter cake, omit the topping and spread with your favorite frosting.

Ingredients

- 1/4 cup butter, softened
- 3/4 cup sugar
- 1 large egg, room temperature
- 1 cup all-purpose flour
- 1 tablespoon baking cocoa
- 1/2 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1 cup canned pumpkin
- TOPPING:
- 1/2 cup semisweet chocolate chips
- 1/2 cup salted pumpkin seeds or pepitas
- 1 tablespoon sugar



Directions

1. Preheat oven to 350°. In a large bowl, cream butter and sugar. Beat in egg. Combine the flour, cocoa, baking soda and cinnamon; gradually add to creamed mixture and mix well. Stir in pumpkin. Pour into a greased 8-in. square baking pan. Combine topping ingredients; sprinkle over batter.
2. Bake until a toothpick inserted in center comes out clean, about 25 minutes. Cool in pan on a wire rack.

OATMEAL CARAMEL APPLE COOKIES

Ingredients


- 1/2 cup butter, softened
- 3/4 cup packed brown sugar
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 1 package (3.4 ounces) instant caramel pudding mix
- 2 large eggs, room temperature
- 1/2 cup unsweetened applesauce
- 1-1/4 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 3-1/2 cups old-fashioned oats
- 1 medium apple, peeled and chopped



Directions

1. Preheat oven to 350°. In a large bowl, cream butter, sugars and pudding mix until light and fluffy, 5-7 minutes. Add eggs; mix well. Beat in applesauce. In another bowl, whisk flour and baking soda; gradually beat into creamed mixture. Stir in oats and apple.
2. Drop dough by tablespoonfuls 2 in. apart onto greased baking sheets. Bake until golden brown, 15-18 minutes. Cool on pans 3 minutes. Serve warm or remove to wire racks to cool completely. Store in an airtight container.


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Waiting For Adoption

By Wallace Kennedy, Jr.

Currently, there are 468 children in Alabama's foster care system that need forever homes.

Governor Ivey proclaimed November 2020 as National Adoption Month in the state of Alabama. Many of our children in the great State of Alabama are awaiting a loving and caring adoptive home.

Many have never felt the warmth and joy that comes from a forever family. Most have been placed in agency custody due to neglect or abuse.



We also have a huge pool of dogs and cats in our Animal Shelters, and Humane Society. These wonderful animals are waiting for a forever home. I adopted my dog Rex about 18 months ago, He is a bundle of joy.

Adoption is nothing new. We had some very important adoptions during Biblical times:

- Moses in the Book of Exodus adopted by the daughter of the Pharaoh: Acts 7:21 "And when he was exposed, Pharaoh's daughter adopted him and brought him up as her own son."
- Esther Transforms from Orphan to Queen: Tragedy struck Esther at an early age. Following the death of both parents, she became an orphan. For Esther, her cousin, Mordecai, invited her into his family through adoption. At this point, she was given a new chance at life.
- Joseph Accepted Jesus As His Own: In Matthew 1:18, Jesus was born from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary. Even though Jesus was not his own, Joseph adopted Jesus as if he were.

Together he and Mary raised Jesus Christ and became part of the story that changed the world.

- God Adopts Us Into His Spiritual Family: *Ephesians 1:5 "God decided in advance to adopt us into his own family by bringing us to himself through Jesus Christ. This is what he wanted to do, and it gave him great delight."*

God's plan of redemption for an imperfect world was set in motion through the very concept of adoption

Galatians 4:4-5 But when the fulness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law, 5 To redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons.

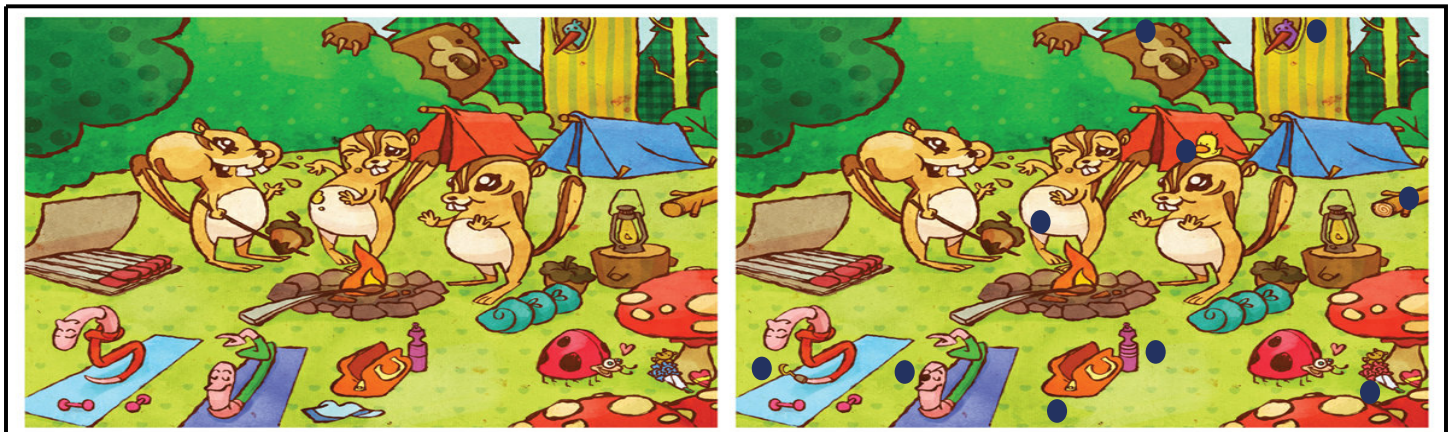
In the scriptures adoption is not so much a word of relationship but of the believers position.

Romans 8:15-17 For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father. 16 The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God: 17 And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together.

you want to be a part of God's family? From your heart say this prayer: Father God I believe Jesus Christ is Your Son. I believe He died on the cross for my sins, He rose from the dead on the third day. I am in need of a Savior. Save me. I surrender my life to You and want to be a part of Your eternal family. If you said this prayer, you are now a child in God's family.

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By: **Hayes Wise**

Pierce The Darkness

Years ago I read a series of books by Frank Peretti. I still have them. Two of his best known novels were “This Present Darkness” and “Piercing the Darkness”. I believe every Christian should read them. They deal with the spiritual realm and forces of the supernatural world. The books paint a vivid picture of what is going on all around us that we can’t see; spiritual war. Many believers and unbelievers today do not want to deal with a world we cannot see when the world we do see is hard enough to deal with.

We have a tendency to act like a two-year-old child who closes our eyes and places a blanket over our head, really believing that no one can see us because we can’t see them. Just because we cannot see the spiritual realm does not mean it is not there. Keith Green is a gospel singer. He is one of few singers that remind us there is a spiritual realm and Satan is still busy. He sings a song called “No One Believes in Me Anymore”. It’s words are Satan boasting about his work. Here are a few lyrics: “Oh, my job keeps getting easier as day slips into day. The magazines, the newspapers print every word I say...I used to have to sneak around but now they just open their doors. No one is watching for my trick since no one believes in me anymore!

The Apostle Paul was clear: We are caught daily in a spiritual battle between light and darkness, good and evil. Ephesians 6:10-12 says, “Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Put on the full armor of God so that you can take your stand against the devil’s schemes. For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms.” This text teaches some crucial truths: we are in a “daily” battle, we can only stand strong in the Lord’s power, it is God’s armor that protects us, and our battle is ultimately against spiritual forces of evil in the world.

All around us we can see the devastating impact of Satan’s attack on churches, families, and communities. It’s time for the Christians to remember Christ’s bold command to wage war in the unseen realm against the forces of darkness arrayed against us. Otherwise, there’s no way for us to pierce this growing darkness with God’s all-powerful promises.



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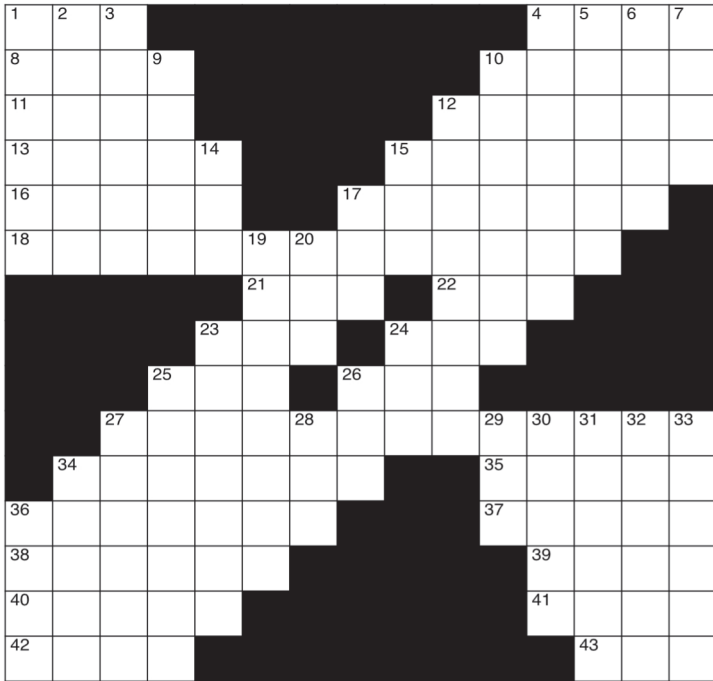
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| 17. Deep-bodied fish | 39. Central European river |
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| 23. General’s assistant (abbr.) | 43. “The Partridge Family” actress Susan |

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| 9. Sheep’s cry | 29. Journalist Tarbell |
| 10. Danced | 30. Athletic shoes |
| 12. More upstanding | 31. Roof style |
| 14. Upstate NY airport (abbr.) | 32. Make possible |
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| 17. Place to call a pint | 34. Healthy food |
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Barry Manilow Lied

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Claybank Master Gardeners Oct. 2022

Greetings Gardeners,

**So many of you echoed my own sentiments this summer, that it was way beyond tolerable to keep a garden going in the relentless extreme heat. Others said their summer vegetables did well; but HOW?, I asked. They watered early every morning, they fertilized more often, they had some afternoon shade over the garden and they watched carefully for the pests. Sigh. Summer gardening isn't for the faint of heart (that includes this gardener!).

But now we can look forward to fall and winter gardening, and it's a GREAT time to get outdoors and plant some seeds! We received some great tips on **vermicomposting (that's composting using super active red wiggler worms, the gardener's best friends). Our Claybank Master Gardener president, Dr. Charles Gann, has a lot of good information on the subject. It's a great way to speed up the composting process, and a very low cost, and provide your garden with excellent free fertilizer.

****Dothan Botanical Gardens** is featuring their **fall scarecrows** through October. Your family will be delighted at the creative scarecrows volunteers have erected on the theme "Something Funny Happened..."

****SAVE THE DATE** for a **canning workshop Wednesday October 12th** at the **Dale County Extension Office, 202 S. Hwy 123, Ozark 36360**. Call to register at (334) 774-2329.

Another **SAVE THE DATE: October 29th is **Make a Difference Day** in Ozark, (when the whole community shows up to help clean up, dress up, local yards of churches, schools, homes of those in need) has been an annual pet project of one of our *Claybank Master Gardeners*, Chuck Auman. Call Martha Phillips at First United Methodist church if you know of a person or place to put on the list. (334) 774-2569

The SOW app tells us that we can now plant *broccoli*, carrots, *kale*, *lettuce*, mustard, onions, radishes, spinach, turnips. (Those in italics were not on the list but may be okay as started plants).

The *Claybank Master Gardeners* meet at 11:00 AM on the second Wednesdays of the month at **Hoppergrass Restaurant in Ozark, 129 East Ave., across from Milky Moos. You can call the Dale County Extension office to verify, at (334) 774-2329. Come join us, buy your lunch if you wish at 10:30 or so, to get ahead of the crowd. You will be most welcome and will meet new friends. Besides, you might learn something new!

Dee Gilbert, Claybank Master Gardener



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Sen. Kennedy graduated magna cum laude in political science, philosophy, and economics from Vanderbilt University, was president of his senior class, and was elected to Phi Beta Kappa. He received his law degree from the University of Virginia School of Law, where he was an executive editor of the "Virginia Law Review" and elected to the Order of the Coif. He earned a Bachelor of Civil Law degree with first class honors from Oxford University (Magdalen College) in England, where he studied under Sir Rupert Cross and Sir John H. C. Morris.

Recent quotes from: sen. John Kennedy, (R) Louisiana
 First of all, I'm John Kennedy, not that John Kennedy, I am the other John Kennedy, (R) Senator representing the great state of Louisiana.


Permit me to tell you what I believe.

- * 1. I believe America was founded by geniuses but is now run by idiots.
- * 2. I believe you can't fix stupid, but you can vote them out of office.
- * 3. When was the last time you heard of anyone trying to sneak into China.
- * 4. America is so great that people who hate it, refuse to leave it.

*Gladys,
 That won't
 help us.
 He'll just
 turn it up
 louder.*




- * 5. I don't like to brag about the expensive places I've been to, but this morning I went to the gas station.
- * 6. I believe exercise makes you look better naked. But so does alcohol.
- * 7. Welfare should be a bridge, not a parking lot.
- * 8. Weakness invites the wolves.
- * 9. We must arm for peace.
- * 10. We don't have a gun control problem we have an idiot control problem.
- * 11. Free advice friends, if government tells you not to buy a gun, buy two
- * 12. I believe if you hate police officers, the next time you are in trouble, call a crack-head.
- * 13. Here's a free tip, cops will leave you alone if you don't do stupid things.
- * 14. I believe we need an election day, not an election month.
- * 15. I believe you should be able to prove who you say you are when you vote.
- * 16. I believe 400,000 bodies buried at Arlington National Cemetery is the reason you should stand for the national anthem.
- * 17. I believe the water won't clear till you get the pigs out of the creek.



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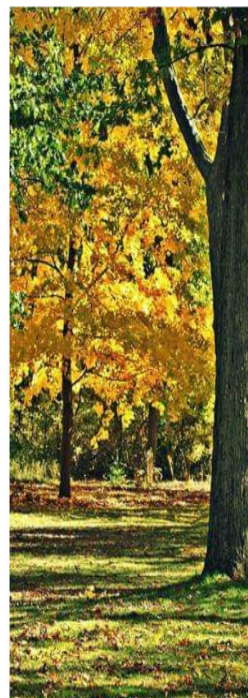
PS. If you would like to include Laughs&Lifts in your will that would be OK as well.

Sacrifice

A farmer runs into the pastor of his church after missing the morning service. "I'm sorry I missed you this morning", the pastor said. "Well, Reverend", the farmer replied, "I had some hay to put up."



I figured it was better to sit on a bale of hay thinking about God than to sit in church thinking about hay."



BeautiFALL

.....FALL is absolutely my favorite time of year...

Not just because of all the colors, or the Coolness...But, Because of what it represents....It's almost like taking a break....Everything is resting....The Son, The Wind, The Rain....Nothing is growing, Yet nothing is really dieing....It's almost likened to God giving us a BeautiFALL Interlude to entertain us, while we rest up, and get prepared for the next inevitable

unknown.....

EXHALE.....

Agape Nugget

Melissa Stuckey

Dyslexic Agnostic Insomniac

Q: Did you hear about the dyslexic, agnostic, insomniac?

A: He lay awake at night wondering if there really was a dog.

I am in competition with no one. I have no desire to play the game of being better than anyone. I'm simply trying to be better than the person I was yesterday.



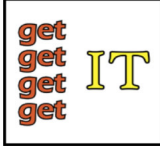








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Cause,
Not For
Applause.
Live Life To
Express,
Not To Impress.
Don't Strive To
Make Your
Presence
Noticed,
Just Make Your
Absence Felt.**

ANSWER KEY

1.  elbow	2.  slow down	3.  forget it
4.  stand in the corner	5.  double vision	6.  open door
7.  a little bit more	8.  last but not least	9.  no one understands me

I asked a girl that I'd been dating to meet me at the gym, but she never showed...
That's how I knew we weren't going to work out.

FARM FINDS WORD SEARCH

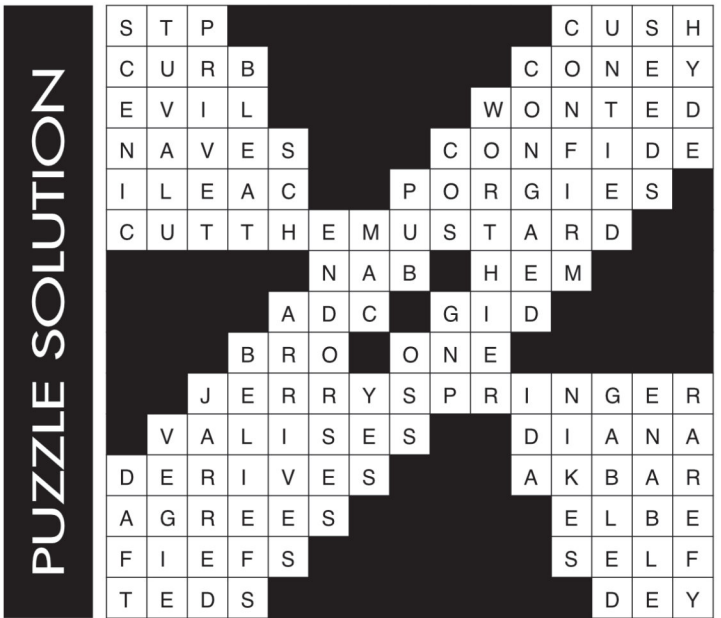
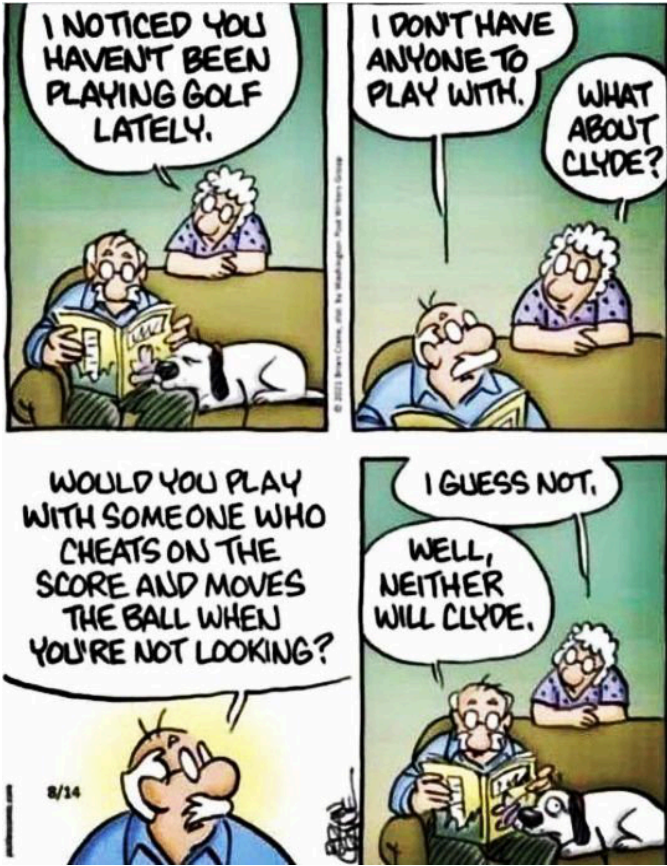
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| Agriculture | Irrigation |
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| Crops | Pig |
| Dairy | Plow |
| Dog | Pond |
| Donkey | Process |
| Duck | Rooster |
| Farmer | Season |
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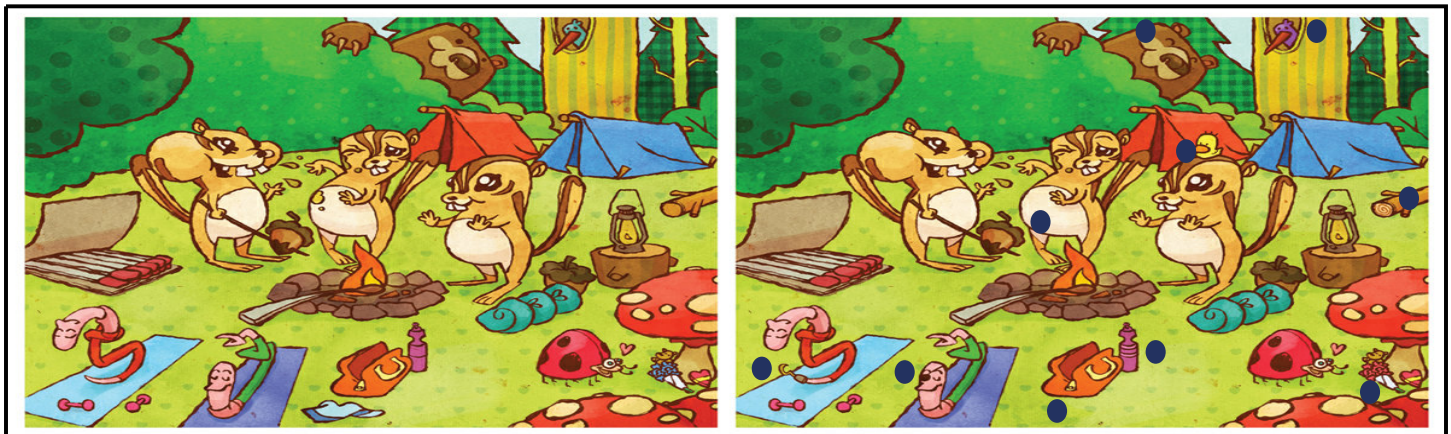
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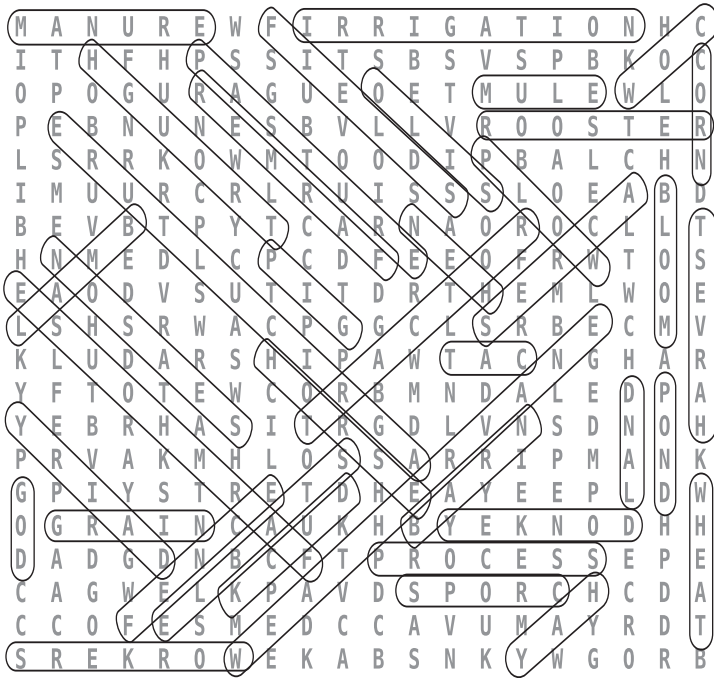
What's the difference between ignorance and apathy?
I don't know and I don't care.



What does the opposite sex think of YOU!

In my sociology class, we were instructed to write down answers to some questions the teacher was asking. "Next question," announced the instructor. "How would you like to be seen by the opposite sex?" I was thinking about my answer when the young woman next to me turned and asked, "How do you spell 'intellectual?'"





ANSWER:

Two coins = 30 cents and one isn't a nickel. What are the two coins?

In this case, most people assume that neither of the coins can be a nickel.

However, the riddle actually says ONE of them isn't a nickel, which means the other coin can be.

It seems so easy once you know the answer!

Sudoku

EASY

5		1			3			4
	2			8				6
3								
						8		
	4				7	9		3
		9						
				6			1	7
		4				2		
	8		9				3	

Church Signs



MEDIUM

							8	5
		9	6		4			
				3		2		
5	6				8			
				4	2			1
	1		2			3	5	
		6					4	
		3			7		9	

Did you ever notice that musicians play and doctors practice but the rest of us work for a living!



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