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I asked my childhood sweetheart, my best friend, and the most beautiful girl in the world to marry me. All three of them said "NO."


AChinese man flew to Las Vegas on a vacation trip. He took a taxi from Harry Reid International Airport to the Stratosphere Hotel.
On his way seeing a bus pass by, he told the taxi driver that in the U.S. buses run very slow but that in China buses run very fast.
After sometime, they passed under a railway bridge and saw a train passing overhead. The Chinese man then told the driver that the trains also run very slow here but that in China trains run very fast.
Throughout the journey he complained to the driver disparaging the U.S. at every point. However, the taxi driver kept quiet throughout the journey.
When the Chinese man reached his destination, he asked the driver what the meter reading was and his taxi fare.
The taxi driver replied that it was $\$ 137.57$.
The Chinese man was shell shocked. He shouted, "Are you kidding? In your country buses run slow, trains run slow, everything is slow. How come the meter alone runs fast?" To this the taxi bro calmly replied:
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Old pics definitely bring back memories! I don't mean to brag, but I was the fifth-grade spelling bee champion three years in a row!


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I got myself a senior's GPS, not only does it tell me how to get to my destination, it tells me why I wanted to go there.

Last night I was sitting on the sofa watching TV when I heard my wife's voice from the kitchen, "What would you like for dinner my love, chicken, beef, or fish?
I said, "Thank you, I'll have the beef. Please." She replied, "You're having soup, I was talking to the cat."

She texted me: "your adorable." I replied: "no YOU"RE adorable." Now she likes me, but all I did was point out her bad grammar.

Scientist should stop analyzing animal intelligence and start doing something about human stupidity.

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Darryl and Harold were in a mental institution. The place had an unusual annual contest, picking two of the best patients and giving them two questions. If they got them correct, they were deemed cured and free to go.
Darryl was called into the doctor s office first and asked if he understood that he'd be free if he answered the questions correctly. Darryl said "Yes" and the doctor proceeded. "Darryl, what would happen if I poked out one of your eyes?" Darryl said, "I'd be half blind."
"That's correct. What if I poked out both eyes?" "I d be completely blind." The doctor stood up, shook Darryl s hand, and told him he was free to go. On Darryl's way out, as the doctor filled out the paperwork, Darryl mentioned the exam to Harold, who was seated in the waiting room. He told him what questions were going to be asked and gave him the answers.
So Harold went into the doctor's office when he was called. The doctor went thru the formalities and then asked, "What would happen if I cut off one of your ears?" Remembering what Darryl had told him, he answered, "I'd be half blind."
The doctor looked a little puzzled, but went on. "What if I cut off the other ear?"
"I'd be completely blind," Harold answered."
"Harold, can you explain how you'd be blind?"
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A guy wants a divorce. He tells the judge, "I just can't take it anymore, Every night she's out way after midnight just going
from bar to bar." Judge asks, "What's she doing?"
The guy answers, "Looking for me."


You need Power, only when you want to do something Harmful, Otherwise Love is Enough to get everything done.

When a woman asks you to guess her age it's like deciding whether to cut the blue, red, or green wire to diffuse a bomb.


I had a happy childhood. My dad used to put me in tires and roll me down hills.
Those were Goodyears...

A dream is just a dream. A goal is a dream with a plan.
A photographer took pictures of people before and after she called them beautiful...


## I am starting to think I will never be old enough to know better.



## SPINACH BEEF SOUP

## 8 Servings

## Ingredients

- 1 pound ground beef
- 3 garlic cloves, minced
- 2 cartons (32 ounces each) reduced-sodium beef broth
- 2 cans (14-1/2 ounces each)

diced tomatoes with green pepper, celery and onion, undrained
- 1 teaspoon dried basil
- $1 / 2$ teaspoon pepper
- $1 / 2$ teaspoon dried oregano
- $1 / 4$ teaspoon salt
- 3 cups uncooked bow tie pasta
- 4 cups fresh spinach, coarsely chopped
- Grated Parmesan cheese


## Directions

1. In a 6-qt. stockpot, cook beef and garlic over medium heat until beef is no longer pink, 6-8 minutes; crumble beef; drain. Stir in broth, tomatoes and seasonings; bring to a boil. Stir in pasta; return to a boil. Cook, uncovered, until pasta is tender, 7-9 minutes. 2. Stir in spinach until wilted. Sprinkle servings with cheese.

## CUBAN PICADILLO

## 4 Servings

## Ingredients

- 1 pound lean ground beef (90 \% lean)
- 1 small green pepper, chopped

- $1 / 4$ cup chopped onion
- 1 can (8 ounces) tomato sauce

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- $1 / 2$ cup sliced pimiento-stuffed olives
- 1/4 cup raisins
- 1 tablespoon cider vinegar
- 2 cups hot cooked rice
- Fresh cilantro leaves, optional


## Directions

1. In a large skillet, cook beef with pepper and onion over medium-high heat until no longer pink, 5-7 minutes; crumble beef. Stir in tomato sauce, olives, raisins and vinegar; bring to a boil. Reduce heat; simmer, uncovered, until raisins are softened, 5-6 minutes.
2. Serve with rice. If desired, top with fresh cilantro to serve.

## FAJITA BURGER WRAPS

## 4 Servings

## Ingredients

1 pound lean ground beef (90\% lean)
2 tablespoons fajita seasoning mix


2 teaspoons canola oil
1 medium onion, halved and sliced
1 medium green pepper, cut into thin strips
1 medium red sweet pepper, cut into thin strips 4 flour tortillas (10 inches)
3/4 cup shredded cheddar cheese

## Directions

1. In a large bowl, combine beef and seasoning mix, mixing lightly but thoroughly. Shape into four 1/2-in.-thick patties.
2. In a large skillet, heat oil over medium heat.

Add burgers; cook 4 minutes on each side.
Remove from pan. In same skillet, add onion and peppers; cook and stir until lightly browned and tender, 5-7 minutes.
3. On the center of each tortilla, place $1 / 2$ cup pepper mixture, 1 burger and 3 tablespoons cheese. Fold sides of tortilla over burger; fold top and bottom to close, forming a square.
4. Wipe skillet clean. Place wraps in skillet, seam side down. Cook over medium heat until golden brown and a thermometer inserted in beef reads $160^{\circ}, 1-2$ minutes on each side.

## BEEF \& BACON GNOCCHI

## 6 Servings

## Ingredients

- 1 package ( 16 ounces) potato gnocchi
- 1-1/4 pounds lean ground beef ( $90 \%$ lean)
- 1 medium onion, chopped
- 8 cooked bacon strips, crumbled and divided
- 1 cup water
- $1 / 2$ cup heavy whipping cream


## One of life's difficult decisions is picking the supermarket checkout line

 that will move the fastest.- 1 tablespoon ketchup
- $1 / 4$ teaspoon salt
- $1 / 4$ teaspoon pepper
- 1-1/2 cups shredded cheddar cheese
- $1 / 2$ cup chopped tomatoes

- 2 green onions, sliced


## Directions

1. Preheat broiler. Cook gnocchi according to package directions; drain.
2. Meanwhile, in a large cast-iron or other ovenproof skillet, cook beef and onion over medium heat until beef is no longer pink, 4-6 minutes, breaking meat into crumbles. Drain. 3. Stir in half the bacon; add gnocchi, water, cream and ketchup. Bring to a boil. Cook and stir over medium heat until sauce has thickened, 3-4 minutes. Add salt and pepper. Sprinkle with cheese.
3. Broil 3-4 in. from heat until cheese has melted, 1-2 minutes. Top with tomatoes, green onions and remaining bacon.

## CAJUN MACARONI

## 4 Servings

## Ingredients

- $1 / 2$ pound ground beef
- $1 / 3$ cup chopped onion
- $1 / 3$ cup chopped green pepper

- $1 / 3$ cup chopped celery
- 1 can (14-1/2 ounces) diced tomatoes, undrained
- 1-1/2 teaspoons Cajun seasoning
- 1 package (7-1/4 ounces) macaroni and cheese dinner mix
- 2 tablespoons milk
- 1 tablespoon butter


## Directions

1. In a large saucepan or skillet, cook the beef, onion, green pepper and celery over medium heat until meat is no longer pink; drain. Add tomatoes and Cajun seasoning. Cook, uncovered, for 15-20 minutes, stirring occasionally.
2. Meanwhile, prepare macaroni and cheese according to package directions, using 2 tablespoons milk and 1 tablespoon butter. Stir into beef mixture; cook for 2-3 minutes or until heated through.

## KOREAN BEEF AND RICE

## 4 Servings

## Ingredients

- 1 pound lean ground beef (90\% lean)
- 3 garlic cloves, minced
- 1/4 cup packed brown sugar
- 1/4 cup reduced-sodium soy
 sauce
- 2 teaspoons sesame oil
- $1 / 4$ teaspoon ground ginger
- $1 / 4$ teaspoon crushed red pepper flakes
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper
- 2-2/3 cups hot cooked brown rice
- 3 green onions, thinly sliced


## Directions

1. In a large skillet, cook beef and garlic over medium heat 6-8 minutes or until beef is no longer pink, breaking beef into crumbles. Meanwhile, in a small bowl, mix brown sugar, soy sauce, oil and seasonings.
2. Stir sauce into beef; heat through. Serve with rice. Sprinkle with green onions.

## BEEF \& PEPPER SKILLET

## 6 Servings

## Ingredients

- 1 pound lean ground beef ( $90 \%$ lean)
- 1 can (14-1/2 ounces) diced tomatoes with mild green chiles, undrained
- 1 can (14-1/2 ounces) beef
 broth
- 1 tablespoon chili powder
- $1 / 4$ teaspoon salt
- $1 / 8$ teaspoon garlic powder
- 2 cups instant brown rice
- 1 medium sweet red pepper, sliced
- 1 medium green pepper, sliced
- 1 cup shredded Colby-Monterey Jack cheese


## Directions

1. In a large cast-iron or other heavy skillet, cook beef over medium heat until no longer pink,6-8 minutes, breaking into crumbles; drain.
2. Add tomatoes, broth, chili powder, salt and garlic powder; bring to a boil. Stir in rice and peppers. Reduce heat; simmer, covered, until liquid is absorbed, 8-10 minutes. Remove from heat; sprinkle with cheese. Let stand, covered, until cheese is melted.


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A† a courtroom in Oklahoma a person is on trial for murder.There is strong evidence indicating guilt; however, there is no corpse. In the defense's closing statement the lawyer, knowing that his client is guilty and that it looks like he'll probably be convicted, resorts to a clever trick.
"Ladies and gentlemen of the jury, I have a surprise for you all," the lawyer says as he looks at his watch. "Within one minute, the person presumed dead in this case will walk into this court room," he says and he looks toward the courtroom door.
The jury, somewhat stunned, all look on eagerly. A minute passes. Nothing happens. Finally the lawyer says: "Actually, I made up the previous statement. But you all looked on with anticipation. I, therefore, put it to you that there is reasonable doubt in this case as to whether anyone was killed and insist that you return a verdict of not guilty." The jury, clearly confused, retires to deliberate. A very few minutes later, the jury returns and a representative pronounces a verdict of guilty. "But how?" inquires the lawyer. "You must have had some doubt; I saw all of you stare at the door."
Answers the representative: "Oh, we did look. But your client didn't."


After the last child moved out, the old woman sold the shoe and moved into a flat.

## Question To Rednecks

If you had to choose between a wonderful wife and a really nice car, What would you pick?

## Gas or Diesel Rednecks don't know about electric cars

## PRO SHOP VALUE

I went into the pro shop at Fox Ridge golf course and asked Becky if they sold ball markers. She said, "Yes. They are $\$ 1.00$. I said "Fine I'll like to buy one." and handed her my dollar. She went to the cash register put my dollar in the tray and handed me a quarter.

The 3 stages of life: Wanting stuff. Accumulating stuff. Getting rid of stuff.

Breaking news. Today in London, police have defused a terrorist bomb concealed in a tin of alphabet spaghetti. A spokesman said that if it had gone off it could have spelled disaster.

Sometimes I shock myself with my smart stuff I say and do. Other times, I try to get out of the car with my seat belt on.

So, apparently airport security doesn't like it when you call shotgun before boarding a plane.


## Just a Small PTA Meeting

Little Johnny: "Hey Mom, tomorrow there's a small PTA meeting at school."

Mom: "A small PTA meeting?"
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Went to the shooting range with some friends the other day and afterwards we stopped at hooters for some wings. One of my friends asked, "Which waitress would you like to be stuck in an elevator with?"
I answered,
" The one that can fix elevators."


## Finding Rest For Our Weary Soul

By Wallace Kennedy, Jr
Sometimes the busyness of life can
 leave us drained and tired. When our vehicle is low in gas or needs an electrical recharge we know exactly where to go to get a refill. When our life feels like we are out of gas, no energy, where do we go for a refill?
We pray for rest and hope to be refueled so we can get back out there. Be encouraged: Jesus meets us in our exhaustion, in our brokenness, in our struggles. Jesus also calls us to a new way of working and reveals a new road to resting.

Matthew 11:28-30 Jesus says: Come to Me, all who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. 29 Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and 'you will find rest for your souls.' 30 For My yoke is easy and My burden is light." (TLV)

A yoke is a wooden crosspiece that is fastened over the necks of two animals and attached to the plow or cart that they are to pull. Essentially, this yoke was a harness used by oxen and other animals to ease the work of hauling a load. Jesus is our strength when we are not able to carry the load alone.

We come in need of a rest we cannot give ourselves, longing for gentleness in a yoke only found in Jesus, an easy one where the burden is light, and the rest is eternal.

The yoke that Jesus speaks of in Matthew 11 is a "free gift" to us that requires a willing submission on our part. It leads us to a posture of surrender and trust. "It is to obey the gospel of Christ, to yield ourselves to the Lord.

Life alone is exhausting. But when we are "yoked" with Jesus, He is not our pit stop. He's a very presence help! When we are working by His side, we can rest while we labor, knowing His strength is sufficient. Life with Christ by our side takes us further faster. When we are "yoked" with Christ, His humbleness rubs off on us, and rest for our soul is always one step away.

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Little Johnny's mother is making dinner when Johnny runs up to her, sobbing uncontrollably. "Mom, Mom! I just cleaned my room!" he exclaims.
"Why, that's wonderful dear!" his mother replies. "But why does that make you so unhappy?"
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## ＂Wise Words＂

By：Hayes Wise

When Things Don＇t Look Like They＇re Supposed To．
Years ago I remember hearing this new artist and I loved his music．He gained popularity pretty quick． In the beginning this artist＇s record album covers were plain black；there was no art or photos．I remember the first time I saw him I was surprised． The reason for the blank album covers was because his voice didn＇t sound like he looked．Some said he sang Hank Williams songs better than Hank．
Onstage，he knew what fans were wondering and he would say，＂I know．Why don＇t you sound like you supposed to sound？＂In 1967，Charlie Pride was the first African－American singer to perform at the Grand Ole Opry．
Just because things don＇t look like we think they should，doesn＇t mean they aren＇t good．It is much the same with God．Abraham questioned the way things looked．God said he would have a child．Yet， his wife remained barren and they were both well past the years for giving birth．In Psalm 73，Asaph asked the same types of questions．Aren＇t the righteous supposed to be thriving and the wicked languishing？Why does it look like the opposite is happening？Paul voiced the same concerns in Romans 9．How are the Jewish people rejecting their own Messiah？Didn＇t God say that they would be heirs？It looked like the Gentiles were enjoying this，but his own people were missing out． Palm Sunday reminds us when Jesus rode into Jerusalem on a donkey，as foretold in prophecy found in Isaiah and Zechariah．A king was coming． The people were looking for a ruler to topple Rome． The people cried＂Save us，now＂and greeted him with anxious expectations．A week after he enters Jerusalem，he is crucified and buried．Jesus did come to defeat an enemy，but not the way it looked in their mind．Instead，he came to defeat the enemy of sin and save us from its consequences．On the third day He rose again from the dead，ascended into Heaven，and sits at the right hand of God．
Aren＇t you glad things turned out different than they looked？


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"The hardest job kids face today is learning good manners without seeing any." - Fred Astaire

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## CLAYBANK MASTER GARDENERS

Greetings Gardener Friends,
Does this wacky south Alabama weather keep you guessing? Weather challenges are part of gardening and farming alike; we plant, research, and pray for Heaven's help.


Here is one way to offset the damage from too much rain: compost. We have three compost piles (from well-rotted vegetation, weeds, vegetable trimmings, etc.) which have been going for several years, in different areas of our corner lot. From under these I dig nutritive soil to put around the base of veggies, trees, and shrubs to compensate for the deluges of rain washing out their nutrients. I also drop a scoopful into a bucket, add water to make a "compost tea", and pour on the soil or spray it over the leaves of sickly plants. It is amazing what a difference it will make. A scoopful of soil from untouched wooded areas near your yard can add beneficial fungi, that can also feed and nurture your soil.

For this area the SOW app recommends planting seeds now for basil, cantaloupe, collards, corn, cucumbers, kohlrabi, lima beans, snap beans, southern peas, summer squash, and watermelons. Transplants: tomatoes, eggplants, peppers.
Visitors are welcome to come to our next Claybank Master Gardener meeting on Wednesday May 10th, 2023 at 11AM at Hoppergrass Restaurant in Ozark, 129 Eas $\dagger$ Ave., across from Milky Moo's. You can buy your meal if you want, (the buffet line is shorter at 10:30) and bring it into the meeting. We love new faces! Please call the Extension office at (334) 774-2329 to verify the meeting time at Hoppergrass.

Dee Gilbert
Claybank Master Gardener

"One of the penalties for refusing to participate in politics is that you end up being governed by your inferiors." ~ Plato



## SPORT QUOTES

I'm not a role model... Just because I dunk a basketball doesn'† mean I should raise your kids. Charles Barkley

These are my new shoes. They're good shoes. They won't make you rich like me, they won't make you rebound like me, they definitely won't make you handsome like me. They'll only make you have shoes like me. That's it.
Charles Barkley
I've missed more than 9000 shots in my career. I've lost almost 300 games. 26 times, I've been trusted to take the game winning shot and missed. I've failed over and over and over again in my life. And that is why I succeed.
Michael Jordan
A winner is someone who recognizes his Godgiven talents, works his tail off to develop them into skills, and uses these skills to accomplish his goals.
Larry Bird
I think that the good and the great are only separated by the willingness to sacrifice. Kareem Abdul-Jabbar

## "Who lies for you will lie against you." ~ John Locke



TRUE STORY: A snake ambushed a lizard and was able to begin swallowing him whole. The lizard managed to clamp on to the snake and with vice grip tenacity would not let go, would not give up in the midst of the struggle. Finally, after what seemed like an eternity, the snake was forced to regurgitate the lizard. The lizard scampered off in victory, the snake slithered off exhausted and defeated. When the devil tries to consume you with doubt, fear, bitterness, anger, lies, envy, lust, pride, hatred. hang on to God's promises and DO NOT LET GO. Christ in you is your strength!


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Afarmer had five female pigs. Times were hard, so he decided to take them to the county fair and sell them.
At the fair, he met another Farmer who owned five male pigs. After talking a bit, they decided to mate the pigs and split everything 50/50. The farmers lived sixty miles apart. So they agreed to drive thirty miles each, find a field in which to let the pigs mate.
The first morning, the farmer with the female pigs got up at 5 A.M., loaded the pigs into the family station wagon, (which was the only vehicle he had) and drove the thirty miles. While the pigs were mating, he asked the other farmer,
 "How will I know if they are pregnant?"
The other farmer replied, "If they're lying in the grass tomorrow morning, they're pregnant. If they're in the mud, they're not."
The next morning the pigs were rolling in the mud. So he hosed them off, loaded them into the family station wagon again and proceeded to try again. This continued each morning for more than a week. Both farmers were worn out. The next morning he was too tired to get out of bed. He called to his wife,
"Honey, please look outside and tell me whether the pigs are in the mud or in the grass."
"Neither," yelled his wife. "They're in the station wagon and one of them is honking the horn.

When you pull the pin on a grenade, how do you put it back in? Quick answers please.

A person had a pet snake that she loved very much. The snake was about 7 ft long and one day it just stopped eating. After several weeks of trying everything the lady still couldn't get the snake to eat. The woman took the snake to the vet and explained her situation. The vet replies "I see ..has your snake been sleeping with you at night or snuggling real close and stretching himself out?" The woman said "Yes. Everyday and it makes me so sad that I can't help him feel better." The vet says to the lady "Ma'am your snake is not sick. It has been preparing to eat you. He's been sizing you up everyday so he knows how big he has to be. He's not eating so he has enough room to digest you.
Moral of the Story:
Recognize the snakes around you. Everyone's intentions aren't pure. Just cause they seem close to you, doesn't mean their intentions aren't to devour you.
Some ppl aren't PRAYING for you they're PREYING on you!!

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Apparently it is rude to poke someone in the forehead and say "Skip Intro" when they start talking to you.


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> | "There are two ways to be fooled. One is to believe what isn't true; the other is to refuse to |
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| believe what is true." $\sim$ Soren Kierkegaard |

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## WIFE TEXTS HUSBAND

Wife: "Honey, don't forget to buy BREAD when you come home from work and your girlfriend Valerie greets you."
Husband: Who is Valerie?
Wife: Nobody, I just wanted you to answer, to have confirmation that you saw my text.
Husband: But I'm with Valerie right now, I thought you saw me? Wife: What??! Where are you? Husband: Near the bakery. Wife: Wait, I'm coming right now!

After 5 minutes, his wife sends a message:

Wife: I'm at the bakery, where are you?
Husband: I'm at work. Now that you're at the bakery, buy the bread!

## Soccer Hooligan

A soccer hooligan is charged with disorderly conduct and assault after a match. The arresting officer states that the accused had thrown something into the river not far from the stadium.
"What exactly did the accused throw into the river?" the judge asks. "Stones, sir," the officer replies. The judge is confused. "Well, that's hardly an offense, officer."
"It was in this case, sir," the officer explains. "Stones was the name of the referee."

Where Is the "Zero" Stadium? There exists in Brazil a soccer field that earned the name the "Zero" stadium. It is called so because the midfield line lies exactly on the equator line of the planet Earth.

Mother Teresa, when interviewed by Johnny Carson on The Tonight Show, and asked about how she'd handle the accolades that came with winning the Nobel Peace prize,
said: "Do you think, Mr. Carson, for one moment, that that little donkey thought the crowd was giving him the praise and glory instead of Jesus?"

> A co-worker tells two vegans that the hamburgers he's eating are good for you, "They are plant based, he explained.

They asked if they could try one. "These a really good" they said, but which plant do they come from?"
"A meat processing plant!" He replied.


Courage is fear that has said its prayers. Conscience is God's presence in man.

## Jim Abbott, Frank Robinson, and More Baseball History

The baseball world saw two historic firsts take place on this day. In 1975, Frank Robinson (no relation to Jackie Robinson) became the first African-American to manage a Major League baseball game. He led his Cleveland Indians (now Cleveland Guardians) to a 5-3 win.

Fourteen years later, in 1989, Jim Abbott made his pitching debut for the California Angels. Abbott, born without a right hand, was the first person with a physical handicap to play in Major League Baseball.

- God is not preparing the Blessing for YOU, He is preparing YOU for the Blessing.
- You can't be who you are going to be and who you used to be at the same time.
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I saw a man on his motorcycle and the back of his T-shirt said "If you can read this, the wife has fallen off.

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> THEIR WEDDING DAY
> WAS THE BEST DAY
> OF THEIR LIFE HAS
> OBVIOUSLY NEVER HAD TWO CANDY BARS FALL DOWN AT ONCE FROM A VENDING MACHINE.
> "Never put off till tomorrow what may be done day after tomorrow just as well." - Mark Twain

A Sunday school teacher asked the children in her class, "If I sold my house and my car, had a big garage sale and gave all my money to the church, would I get into Heaven?" "No!" the children all answered.
"If I cleaned the church every day, mowed the yard, and kept everything neat and tidy, would I get into Heaven?"
Again the answer was "No!" "Well", she continued, "then how can I get into Heaven?" A five-year-old boy shouted out, "You gotta be dead!"

WISE ADVICE FROM A
FARMERS WIFE.
-Whenever you return a borrowed pie pan, make sure it's got a warm pie in it.

- Make home a happy place for the children. Everybody returns to their happy place.
-Always keep a small light on in the kitchen window at night.
-It's a whole lot easier to get breakfast from a chicken than a pig.
-Always pat the chickens when you take their eggs.
-Biscuits brown better with a little butter brushed on 'em.
-Check your shoelaces before runnin' to help somebody.
-Homemade's always better'n store bought.
-A tongue's like a knife. The sharper it is the deeper it cuts.
-It's easy to clean an empty house, but hard to live in one.
-Enjoy doing your children's
laundry. Some day they'll be gone.
-All children spill milk. Learn to smile and wipe it up.
-There's no such thing as woman's work on a farm. There's just work.
-Invite lots of folks to supper.
You can always add more water to the soup.
-A good neighbor always knows when to visit and when to leave.
-Nothin' gets the frustrations out better'n splittn' wood.
-You'll never catch a runnin'
chicken but if you throw seed
around the back door you'll have a skillet full by supper.
-Visit old people who can't get
out. Some day you'll be one.
-The softer you talk, the closer folks'll listen.
-The colder the outhouse, the warmer the bed.
-Unknown

When you were born you cried and the world rejoiced. Live your life so that when you die the world cries and you rejoice.

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## Teachers Pet

On a special teacher's day, a kindergarten teacher was receiving gifts from her pupils. The florist's son handed her a gift. She shook it, held it over her head, and said, "I bet I know what it is - flowers!" "That's right!" said the boy, "but how did you know?"
"Just a wild guess," she said. The next pupil was the candy store owner's daughter. The teacher held her gift overhead, shook it, and said, "I bet I can guess what it is - a box of candy!"
"That's right! But how did you know?" asked the girl.
"Just a lucky guess," said the teacher.
The next gift was from the liquor store owner's son. The teacher held the bag over her head and noticed that it was leaking. She touched a drop of the leakage with her finger and tasted it. "Is it wine?" she asked.
"No," the boy replied.
The teacher repeated the process, touching another drop of the leakage to her tongue. "Is it champagne?" she asked. "No," the boy replied.
The teacher then said, "I give up, what is it?"
The boy replied, "A puppy!"


When I complained to Amazon about a missing package they asked me to send photographic evidence.

I've always wondered why lemonade is made from artificial flavors but furniture polish is made from real lemons.


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