



II Cor. 3:17 -- "Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is..."

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CHOOSE YOUR WIFE ON SATURDAY RATHER THAN ON SUNDAY, when she is in her workday clothes, and you can better see what she will be in common everyday life. The same advice is put in another form:

When you would select a wife,
Do not call on Sunday;
If you'd know her as she is,
Better seek on Monday.

—Spurgeon

In Days Gone By

On Oct. 16, 1962, the Cuban missile crisis began as President Kennedy was informed that photographs had revealed the presence of missile bases in Cuba.

On Oct. 20, 1944, MacArthur returned to the Philippines.

COULD THIS BE YOU? ?

If you should wake some dreadful day

Before God's throne and hear Him say,

"I am the Way you did not take, Although I died once for your sake;

I am the Truth you did not heed, You were so sure you had no need;

I am the Light you did not see— Now, darkness for Eternity!"

You cannot say, "I did not know";

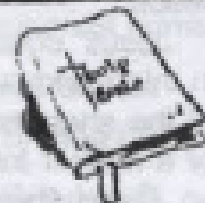
He plainly wrote and told you so. And if you would not read His Word,

That Word still stands, "Thus saith the Lord!"

—Martha Snell Nicholson

Let the Word of God Do Its Work!

If you are cold, let it WARM you.
If you are asleep, let it WAKE you.
If you are a backslider, let it WARN you.
If you are defiled, let it WASH you.
If you are disobedient, let it WHIP you.
If you are uncertain, let it WITNESS to you.
If you are unsaved, let it WIN you.





The Faded Lady

*She stands alone, as if forgotten,
Her roof and timber's all are rotten.
Like a faded lady from the past,
Now awaits the wrecker's blast.
Rooms that once held love and laughter,
Were the strength, of every rafter.
Somehow, I'm sorry, no one can see,
Her beauty, as she used to be.*

Jo Coss

99% Is Not A Passing Grade

The shepherd could have said, "I've got a pretty good record tonight. Only one sheep absent. That gives me a grade of 99 percent." But he didn't! Instead he left the security of the fold and went into the night to look for the one sheep that was lost.

A mother could say, "All is well tonight. Four of my children are safe at home and only one is lost in the darkness." But she wouldn't! Instead she would leave no stone unturned until her other child was found and safe.

A Christian can say, "I've visited and visited, but the people just won't come to my church. I think I'll stop visiting and inviting." But he won't if he remembers the example of Jesus.

Jesus' concern for each person in this world surpasses the concern of the shepherd for one lost sheep or a mother for one lost child. "God so loved the world" also means "God so loved each one in the world."

More of our members need to have the viewpoint of the Good Shepherd. He was not satisfied with a grade of 99 per cent

THE HOLY ALPHABET

Although things are not perfect
Because of trial or pain
Continue in thanksgiving
Do not begin to blame
Even when the times are hard
Fierce winds are bound to blow
God is forever able
Hold on to what you know
Imagine life without His love
Joy would cease to be
Keep thanking Him for all the things
Love imparts to thee
Move out of "camp Complaining"
No weapon that is known
On earth can yield the power
Praise can do alone
Quit looking at the future
Redeem the time at hand
Start every day with worship
To "thank" is a command
Until we see Him coming
Victorious in the sky
We'll run the race with gratitude
Xalting God most high
Yes, there'll be good times and bad, but...
Zion waits in glory...where
none are ever sad!

WE DRINK FOR WHAT?

Ponder this from the January, 1990, Reader's Digest: "We drink for joy and become miserable. We drink for sociability and become argumentative. We drink for sophistication and become obnoxious. We drink to help us sleep and become exhausted. We drink for excitement and end up depressed. "We drink to gain confidence and become afraid. We drink to make conversation flow and become incoherent. We drink to diminish our problems and see them multiply" (Richard Blumberg).

TIME TO PRAY

I got up quite early one morning
And rushed right into the day;
I had so much to accomplish
I took no time out to pray.
The problems just tumbled about me,
And heavier came every task;
"Why doesn't God help me," I wondered,
He said, "Why, you didn't ask!"
I saw naught of joy or of beauty -
The day sped on, gray and bleak;
I asked, "Why won't the Lord show me?"
He said, "But you didn't seek!"
I tried to come into God's presence;
I used all my keys at the lock,
God gently, lovingly chided,
"My child, why didn't you knock?"
I woke up quite early this morning
And paused ere entering the day;
There was so much to accomplish
I HAD TO TAKE TIME TO PRAY!



A POOR FELLOW
Lying on the
operating table
looked up
at the surgeon
and said,
"You'll have to
pardon me for
being so nervous,
doctor.
You see, this
is my first
operation."
The doctor
looked kindly
down at his patient
and replied, "Yes, I
know how you
feel. This is
my first operation, too."

When our God beholds us there,
Wrestling in the place of prayer,
Then the tide of battle turns,
Then the flame of conquest burns,
Then the faltering wall of fear
Turns to victory's ringing cheer,
Then the flag of truth prevails,
Foes sink back and Satan quails.
Bring us, Lord, oh, bring us there,
Where we learn prevailing prayer.

Miscellaneous.

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HOW TO STAY SAFE IN TODAY'S WORLD

We all have a God-given sense of well-being and we try to avoid anything that will hurt or harm us in any way. We also call it self-preservation. The government, becoming more intrusive into our lives every day, issues all kinds of guidelines, regulations, rules and orders until they become absurd, burdensome and downright stupid, otherwise a description of being politically correct. Here's a tongue-in-cheek article I found to be humorous but makes more sense than some of the other stuff we have to deal with. Don't let some politician see this or Congress will be passing some more senseless laws. Here's the article on how to stay safe in today's world:

1. Avoid riding in an automobile because they are responsible for 20 percent of all fatal accidents.
2. Do not stay home because 17 percent of all accidents occur in the home.
3. Avoid walking on streets or sidewalks because 14 percent of all accidents occur to pedestrians.
4. Avoid traveling by air, rail or water because 16 percent of all accidents involve these forms of transportation.
5. Of the remaining 33 percent, 32 percent of all deaths occur in hospitals. Above all else, avoid hospitals.

You will be pleased to learn that only .001 percent of all deaths occur in worship service at church, and these are usually related to previous physical disorders. Therefore, logic tells us that the safest place for you to be at any given time is at church.

Bible study is safe, too. The percentage of deaths during Bible study is even less.

For safety's sake, attend church and read your Bible! So there you have it. What do you think?

A MISSIONARY was praying for a car which he needed desperately on the mission field. "Dear God, You know how badly I need a car," he prayed. "Please Lord, send me a car...any kind of an old car will do." Another missionary interrupted him with a rebuke: "Stop praying like that. God is not in the junk business!"