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GOOD ADVICE: Wake up, sing up, preach up, pray up and pay up, but never give up or let up or back up until the cause of our. Saviour in this church and in this world is built up!

In Days Gone By

On Sept. 1, 1904, Dr. John R.
Rice was converted to Christ.
On Sept. 1, 1934, Evangelist
Lester Roloff wass ordained
to the Gospel Ministry.
On Sept. 1, 1923, the Japanese
cities of Tokyo and Yokohama
were devastated by an earth
quake that claimed some 150,000
lives.

We don't do God a favor by serving Him; He does us a favor by giving us work to do.

All Sales Final

I love sales. They are fun,
Except that when I go to one
I always manage to succeed
In buying things I never need.
Perhaps someday I will learn,
A sale is a place of no return.

COLLEEN STANLEY BARE

About OLD AGE

There is a great deal of senseless praise of longevity, as though it were a wonderful achievement to live a good while.

Ah, my friends, it is not how long we live, but how well we live and how usefully we live.

A man who lives to eighty years and accomplishes nothing for God or humanity might better have never lived at all.

Methuselah lived 969 years, and what did it amount to? In all those more than nine centuries he didn't accomplish anything which seemed worth recording.

Paul lived only a little more than sixty, but how many Methuselahs would it take to make one Paul? Who would not rather have Paul's sixty years than Methuselah's 969?

Robert McCheyne died at thirty, and John Summerfield, at twenty-seven; but neither earth nor Heaven will ever hear the end of their usefulness.

Longevity! Why, an elephant can beat you at that, for it lives a hundred fifty or two hundred years.

Gray hairs are the blossoms of the tree of life if found in the way of righteousness but the frosts of the second death if found in the way of sin.

-T. DeWitt Talmadge

INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT YOUR BODY

The human body is something that still confounds Doctors and Scientists about the details of its working.

It is not an overstatement to say that every part of your body is a miracle.

Check out some of these facts and see if they don't surprise you:

- It's possible for your body to live without a large fraction of its internal organs. You can lose your stomach, spleen, 75% of your liver, 80% of your intestines, one kidney, one lung, and virtually every organ from your pelvic and groin area. You would not be healthy, but you would still live.
- If your saliva cannot dissolve something, you cannot taste it.During your lifetime, you will produce enough saliva to fill two swimming pools.
- Your body gives off enough heat in 30 minutes to bring half a gallon of water to a boil.
- 4. Your body has enough iron in it to make a nail 3 inches long.
- The human body is estimated to have 60,000 miles of blood vessels.
- One human brain cell can hold 5 times as much information as an encyclopedia.
- Your eyes are always the same size from birth but your nose and ears never stop growing.
- 8. The brain operates on the same amount of power as a 10-watt lightbulb, even while you are sleeping. In fact, the brain is much more active at night than during the day.
- 9. A human fetus acquires fingerprints at the age of 3 months.
- 10. It takes 17 muscles to smile and 43 muscles to frown.

(Some faces have had toooo much exercise!)

We don't need men changing the Bible.
We need the Bible changing men!

The buzzard, bat, and bumblebee

If you put a buzzard in a pen that is 6 feet by 8 feet and is entirely open at the top, the bird, in spite of its ability to fly, will be an absolute prisoner. The reason is that a buzzard always begins a flight from the ground with a run of 10 to 12 feet. Without space to run, as is its habit, it will not even attempt to fly, but will remain a prisoner for life in a small jail with no top.

The ordinary bat that flies around at night, a remarkably nimble creature in the air, cannot take off from a level place. If it is placed on the floor or flat ground, all it can do is shuffle about helplessly and, no doubt, painfully, until it reaches some slight elevation from which it can throw itself into the air. Then, at once, it takes off like a flash.

A bumblebee, if dropped into an open tumbler, will be there until it dies, unless it is taken out. It never sees the means of escape at the top, but persists in trying to find some way out through the sides near the bottom. It will seek a way where none exists, until it completely destroys itself.

In many ways, there are lots of people like the buzzard, the bat, and the bumblebee. They are struggling about with all their problems and frustrations, not ever realizing that the answer is right there "Above" them.



THERE'S NO PLACE LIKE HOME



It may be a mansion, it may be a dump, It may be a farm with an old broken pump,

It may be a palace, it may be a flat, It may be a room where you just hang your

hat.

It may be a house with a hole in the floor,

Or a marble hotel with a man at the door
It may be exclusive, or simple, or swell;
It may have grand fixin's, like curtains
--and, well--

Just kindly remember, where ever you roam, That old song is right, folks,

"THERE'S NO PLACE LIKE HOME!"

IF WE WENT BY THE BOOK

Just think, if America would only obey the Book the Creator gave us, there would be no AIDS, for there would be no perversion; there would be no abortions, for people would not commit fornication; no divorce, for couples would be faithful and loving; no drunken drivers, criminals or abused children. How sad that mankind destroys the beautiful world God gave us and the happiness He wants us to have—just for sin!



"My parents and I have finally reached an agreement...They tell me what to do, and I do it." A traveler stopped at an historic old hotel and asked the nightly rates for a single room.

"A room on the first floor is \$50, on the second floor it's \$40, and on the third floor it's \$30 per night," replied the desk clerk.

The traveler looked around, said "thank you" and turned to go.

"Don't you find the hotel attractive?" asked the clerk.

"Oh, it's beautiful," exclaimed the traveler. "It just isn't tall enough."

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SELFISHNESS HURTS EVERYBODY AND EVERYTHING

When you and I go our own way and do our own thing, it not only affects us, but all those in our wake. When a selfish party decides to dissolve a marriage, the carnage in their wake among children, family and finances is terrific. Divorce doesn't solve problems. It causes many more and complicates lives for decades. Other selfish choices also cloud the waters of life, and conflict ensues. When one leaves a church or chooses some ungodly lifestyle, it creates an ever-widening wake that has profound impact on innocent parties all around. Why not wake up to the fact that everything you do has an impact on others around you? Perhaps the wake or legacy you leave behind could be a positive one. "And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works", Hebrews 10:24.

THE MOST IMPORTANT THING FOR A CHRISTIAN

WE could list many things such as winning others to the Saviour, living right, giving tithes and offerings, helping others, studying the Bible, etc. But, to me, the most important thing you can do is be faithful in your church attendance, all the time, every time and on time. When you attend a good Bible-preaching church and become involved, you are exhorted from the Word of God, you are challenged to be faithful, encouraged, helped, strengthened in your life for the Lord and grow into a mature, dedicated Christian. You learn how to live, walk, talk and work for the Lord. When you don't go you miss what God has designed for you and become a weak, vacilating, critizing, and complaining person. At church we fellowship with the best people in the world and that helps us become strong Christians. When you miss church you become careless in your Christian life, you don't read your Bible, pray or witness for the Lord. YOU NEED THE CHURCH and should consider it a great privilege that God would allow you to go. The most important thing you can do for yourself and others is to be faithful to your church.

THE THREE HEAVENS IN THE BIBLE

The Scriptures distinguish three heavens: First, the lover heavens, or the region of the clouds; Secondly, the second or planetary heavens; and thirdly, the heaven of heavens, the abode of God.

-C.I. Scofield

WHERE WOULD YOU BE IF YOU HAD DIED ONE HOUR AGO?