

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

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He unfolds the rose

It is only a tiny rosebud—

A flower of God's design;
But I cannot unfold the petals
With these clumsy hands of
mine.

The secret of unfolding flowers
Is not known to such as I—
The flower God opens so sweetly
In my hands would fade and
die.

If I cannot unfold a rosebud—
This flower of God's design—
Then how can I think I have
wisdom

To unfold this life of mine?
So I'll trust in Him for His leading
Each moment of every day,
And I'll look to Him for His
guidance

Each step of the pilgrim way.
For the pathway that lies before
me

My Heavenly Father knows;
I'll trust Him to unfold the
moments,

Just as He unfolds the rose.

The Three Lives of Moses

Moses spent his first forty years
in the world, his second forty years
on the backside of the desert
waiting on God, and his third forty
years in the service of the Lord.

He spent his first forty years
thinking he was something, his
next forty years thinking he was
nothing, and the last forty seeing
what God could do with nothing.

A SMALL PLACE

Is your place a small place?

Tend it with care;—

He set you there.

Is your place a large place?

Guard it with care!—

He set you there.

Whate'er your place, it is

Not yours alone, but His

Who set you there.

In Days Gone By

On February 6, 1952, Britain's
King George VI died. He was
succeeded to the throne by
his daughter, Elizabeth II.

If your ship hasn't come in—
Swim out to it.

Most folks are about as happy as they make
up their minds to be.

Time is not measured by clocks
but by moments.

GOING BACK HOME

If I had the power to turn back the clock,
Go back to that house at the end of the
block,
The house that was home when I was a kid,
I know that I'd love it more now than I
did.

If I could be back there at my mother's
knee,
And hear once again all the things she
told me,
I'd listen as I'd never listened before,
For she knew so well just what life had in
store.

And all the advice that my Dad used to
give,
His voice I'll remember as long as I live,
But it didn't seem really important then,
What I'd give to live it all over again.

And what I would give for the chance I
once had,
To do so much more for Mother and Dad,
To give them more joy and a little less
pain,
A little more sunshine, a little less rain.

But the years roll on and we cannot go
back,
Whether we were born in a mansion or in a
shack,
But we can start right now—in the hour
that's here,
To do something more for the ones we
hold dear.

And since time in its flight is traveling
so fast,
Let's not spend it regretting that which
is past,
But let's make tomorrow a happier day,
By doing our "good unto others"—today.

IN THIS BIBLE PUZZLE you will find words
that are contained in the Bible story of
Cain and Abel. See if you can find the
following words:

ABEL	FRUIT	PUNISHMENT	SIN
CAIN	OFFERING	BLOOD	
SHEEP	KILLED	BROTHERS	

S O T F R U I T N C F E E A X T L Z M P
A I N T N T N C N M C T O C P M Z L T X
Z O N A M U F H G F E F A F D I O M E T
X L F L F K I L L E D T H T A B N C D O
T O Y A T Z D B F E L C F N F R A N L E
R F Y M C F D D D C Z F Y E C U T R N O
A F L H F S D E F A R L Y M M U T I N N
L E Y T F H O F M I F L H H T O B L E X
E R M E A E O V F N F M F S S H R N O A
I I L A B E L T T V Z A A I C A L E H A
N N H C O P B L F E D L M N P E D T R S
T G F A T V C F H T V H M U H E A E N L
T R B O T H E R S F C D C P E S R N E D

THINGS DON'T JUST HAPPEN

Things don't just happen to those who love God,
They're planned by His own dear hand;
Then molded and shaped, and timed by His clock,
Things don't just happen; they're planned.

We don't just guess on the issues of life,
We Christians just rest in our Lord;
We are directed by His Sovereign will,
In the light of His Holy Word.

We who love Jesus are walking by faith,
Not seeing even one step ahead;
Not doubting one moment what our lot might be,
But looking to Jesus instead.

We praise our dear Saviour for loving us so,
For planning each care of our life;
Then giving us faith to trust Him for all
the blessings, as well as the strife.

Things don't just happen to one of His own,
To one who has taken his stand;
No matter the lot, the course, or the price,
Things don't just happen, THEY'RE PLANNED!
-E.L. Fields

ONLY IN SUNDAY SCHOOL!

• A Sunday school teacher asked seven-year-old Mike to name his favorite miracle. Mike replied, "I like the one where everybody loafs and fishes."

• A Sunday school teacher asked a class of young boys to bring an object to Sunday school class next Sunday and quote a verse of Scripture that related to that object.

One enterprising young lad brought a candle and quoted, "Ye are the light of the world" (Matt. 5:14).

Another brought a shaker of salt and quoted the familiar verse, "Ye are the salt of the earth" (vs. 13).

A third young man brought a small bantam egg and quoted the verse, "She hath done what she could" (Mark 14:8).

GUESS MY NAME:

1. I am a man full of faith and power, who did great wonders and miracles among the people. (Acts 6:8)
2. Certain men of the synagogue disputed with me because they were not able to resist the wisdom and spirit by which I spoke. (Acts 6:9-10)
3. I was brought before the council and preached to them from Abraham down to the death of Christ. (Acts 7:1-53)
4. I was cast out of the city, stoned; and I cried with a loud voice. "Lord, lay not this sin to their charge." (Acts 7:58, 60)

Miscellaneous.

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*STORIES
*EVENTS
*VIEWS
*NEWS



WORRY CAUSES GREAT DAMAGE

Time has a way of improving the conditions of daily lives. What posed as hardship for my grandparents are today's luxuries. Surrounded with gadgets and gizmos to make life easy, why can't they invent something, anything that will remove worry from our lives?

Volumes have been written to abate the damage worry causes. Man may find more things to worry about, but Jesus alone holds the secret to beat worry. Jesus said that to neutralize stress one must keep clear, spiritual priorities (Mat. 6:33). The Christian is entitled to place his trust in God. Unlike the rest of creation, God gives the faithful disciple the benefits of His protection (v. 26). Let God have priority over any and every problem and one can live without being crushed by worry.

Worry, and the stress it spawns, can be reduced by living one day at a time. Jesus teaches that God is aware of our needs. Dream big about tomorrow but don't steal its heartaches. These are literally the times that try men's souls. Jesus alone can bring contentment to the stressed-out world.

David Bragg

The Light of the World

During World War II in England, a pastor was preaching to his congregation in a darkened church under a blackout alert. Suddenly someone accidentally threw the switch, and the lights came on. A blind church member asked, "What happened? What's all the commotion about?" He was the only person in the building who could not see the light.

This is a perfect picture of the world in its blindness and sin. Even though the light of Jesus Christ is shining, many people refuse to acknowledge the light. Our task as Christians is to point them to Jesus as the true light of the world.

Have you ever stopped and wondered what God has done in your life that you aren't aware of? Maybe He healed you before you were even sick. Perhaps He saved you from a fatal car crash that never happened. I feel like God has protected me more times than I can count, so I can only imagine the times He's rescued me that I wasn't aware that I was in danger. I thank Him for watching over me, even when I didn't realize it. What an awesome God we serve!