

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

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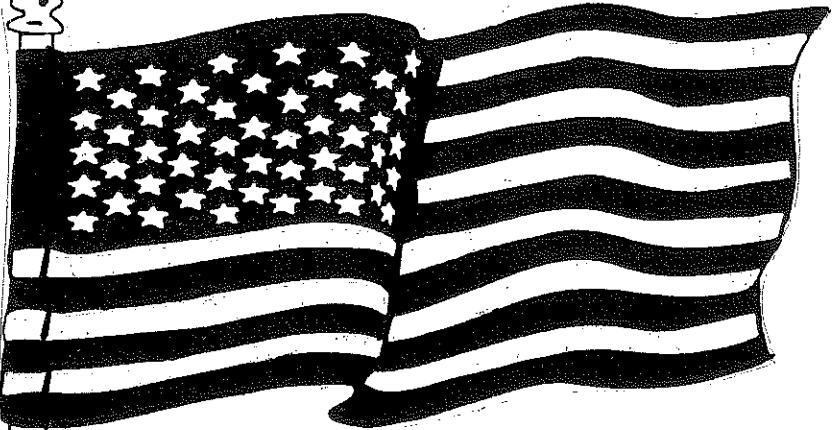
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FLAG DAY

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Flags are mentioned in the Bible more than 3,000 years ago during the days of Solomon. The flag is a symbol. It represents people united by a common bond or cause. It should be a source of pride, for a flag encompasses the hopes and the ideals of the people it represents. The flag is much more than a piece of cloth floating in the wind. It symbolizes man's highest respect. So the next time you see Old Glory passing by, place your hand over your heart, and silently say a big thank you for this country and for all of the men and women who died so that we can enjoy the freedom we have today.

**"Blessed Is the Nation Whose  
God Is the Lord..."**



## A WORD TO THE WISE!

1. Tact is criticizing the mistake, rather than the person who made it.
2. Men do not stumble over mountains, but over mole-hills.
3. Money may not travel or go as far as it used to, but we still have just as much trouble getting it back.
4. "Example" ... is a language all men can read.
5. Men who do things that count, never stop to count them.
6. Two things worry me these days ... one, that things may never get back to normal; and the other, that they already have!
7. You can't go in the wrong direction and arrive at the right destination.
8. So many things that "broadens the mind" today also "narrows the conscience".
9. The best time to make friends is before you need them.
10. The Bible ... like a bank ... is more helpful when it is open.
11. I have learned most people will agree with me, if I'll just keep quiet.
12. I don't know much about medicine, but I have never found one I like!!

## YOU CAN BE SAVED - AND KNOW IT.

---"Sirs, what must I do to be saved? And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house."

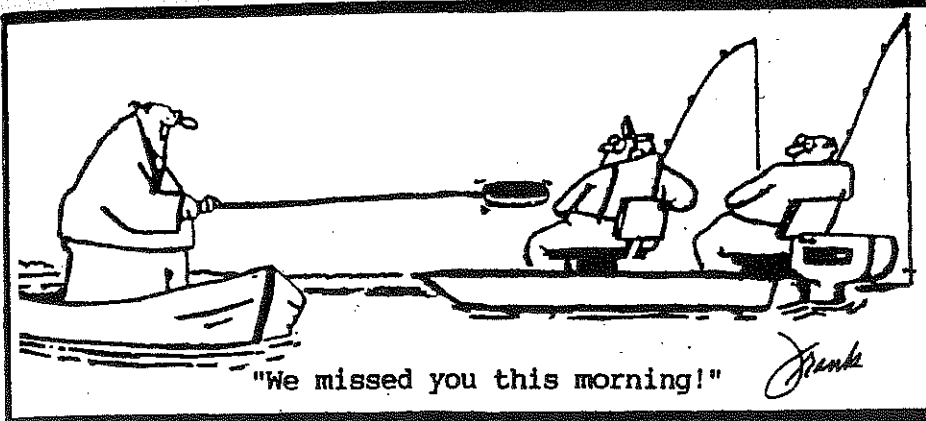
Acts 16: 30-31

He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him."

John 3: 36

These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God."

I John 5: 13



Where death finds you,  
There eternity will keep you.



## A WORD TO THE WISE!

+ Those who think it is all right to tell white lies, soon become color blind!

*Every day we rub elbows with people who do not know God, people who are headed toward eternal death. Have you witnessed in love to one individual this week? Have you invited one person to attend church with you? God forgive us for this sin of silence.*

## a story with a plot

A missionary saw a Chinese strewing rice over the graves of his ancestors, and said, "When do you expect your departed ones to come back and eat this rice?"

The Chinese replied, "At about the same time your ancestors come back to smell your flowers."

## 32,850 Sermons Later

Several years ago, a reader of *The British Weekly* wrote this provocative letter to the editor:

"Dear Sir:

"It seems ministers feel their sermons are very important and spend a great deal of time preparing them. I have been attending a church service quite regularly for the past 30 years, and I have probably heard 3,000 of them. To my consternation, I discovered that I cannot remember a single sermon. I wonder if a minister's time might be more profitably spent on something else.

Sincerely . . . ."

For weeks a real storm of editorial responses ensued. The uproar finally was ended by this letter:

"Dear Sir:

"I have been married for 30 years. During that time I have eaten 32,850 meals—mostly of my wife's cooking. Suddenly, I have discovered that I cannot remember the menu of a single meal. And yet, I received nourishment from every single one of them. I have the distinct impression that without them, I would have starved to death long ago.

Sincerely . . . ."

# Miscellaneous-

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## GOD IS THE MOST OF EVERYTHING GOOD

When you are the neediest, He is the most sufficient.

When you are completely helpless, He is the most helpful.

When you feel totally dependent, He is absolutely dependable.

When you are the weakest, He is the most able.

When you are the most alone, He is intimately present.

When you feel you are the least, He is the greatest.

When you feel the most useless, He is preparing you.

When it is the darkest, He is the only Light you need.

When you feel the least secure, He is your Rock and Fortress,

When you are the most humble, He is most gracious.

**Seasonal Answers** – A third grade teacher in Kentucky compiled an exam consisting of twenty questions for her students. One of the questions: "List in any order the four seasons." Sixty-seven percent of the students gave the following answer: "(1) squirrel season; (2) deer season; (3) rabbit season; (4) basketball season."

## **CHILDREN HAVE AN UNCANNY WAY**

of reducing the unexplainable to their terms. Witness the child explaining how God creates people: "He draws us first, then cuts us out."

Or the child describing what a halo is: "They have this circle over their heads, and they always try to walk careful so they stay right underneath it. It lights up."

Or the child who, when asked what one must do before obtaining forgiveness for sin, replied, "Sin."

Or take the child who heard the story of the Prodigal Son for the first

time: "In the midst of all the celebration for the prodigal," said the teacher, "there was one for whom the feast brought no happiness, only bitterness. Can you tell me who this was?" "The fatted calf?" suggested a sad little voice.

A child, when asked what the story of the Good Samaritan taught him, answered: "That when I'm in trouble, someone should help me."

One boy, when asked why there are no longer burnt offerings to God, suggested, "Air pollution."