

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

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The other day I heard a friend telling his young grandson about all the good times he'd had while growing up on a farm.

"Wow!" said the little boy impressed. "I sure wish I could have lived in the good old days!"

The old man paused in his story telling and looked down at his grandson and said quietly, "Son, you are now living in 'your good old days'."

## THE FRIEND WHO JUST "STANDS BY"...

When trouble comes your soul to try,  
You love the friend who just stands by.  
Perhaps there is nothing he can do--  
The thing is strictly up to you.  
For there are troubles all your own,  
And paths the soul must tread alone;  
Times when love can't smooth the road,  
Nor friendship lift the heavy load.  
But just to feel you have a friend  
Who will "stand by" until the end;  
Whose sympathy through all endures,  
Whose warm handclasp is always yours.  
It helps, some way, to pull you through  
Although there's nothing he can do.  
And so with fervent heart you cry,  
God bless the friend, who just  
'STANDS BY'!"

## DID YOU KNOW?

-The sun is about 3 million miles closer to the earth on Jan. 1 than it is on June 1.

-An atom is so small that one tiny grain of salt contains one trillion atoms.

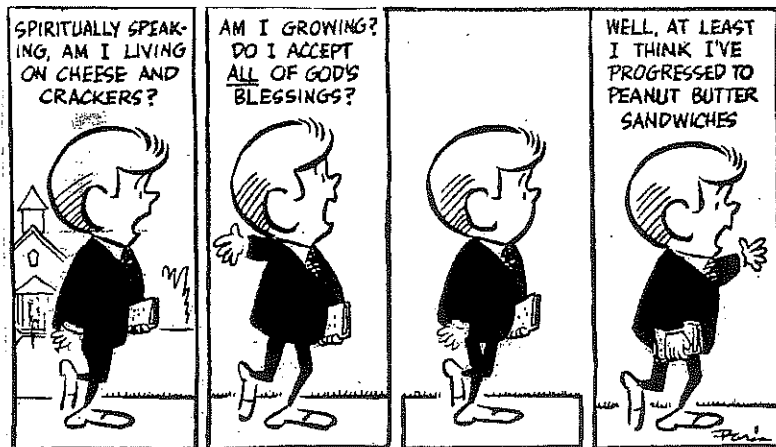
-The pyramids of Egypt are the only wonders of the ancient world that are still standing.

-That Jesus said, "I am the Way, the truth, and the Life: no man cometh unto the Father but by me."

John 14:6

At the rate America is decaying morally, we shall soon have to change our national symbol from an eagle to a buzzard.

Most church members live so far below the standard, you would have to backslide to be in fellowship with them.



### LOST IN THE "WOULDS"

Some church members are hopelessly lost in the "woulds":

I would go to Sunday school today, but I enjoy too much my little extra sleep on Sunday morning.

I would take my children to Sunday school and church, but Sunday is my only day to play golf.

I would teach a Sunday school class, but my job just doesn't leave time for that much involvement in church.

I would witness to others about Christ, but I never seem to say the right words.

I would give more to the church, but there's just not much left after paying the bills.

The only way to find your way out of the "woulds" is to set your eyes upon Christ. He will show the way.

## Bible Trivia Questions

1. Which girl got a husband because she was the oldest daughter? \_\_\_\_\_
  2. What man married his half sister? \_\_\_\_\_
  3. What man married his aunt, Jochebed? \_\_\_\_\_
  4. What fellow married two girls that made life miserable for their in-laws? \_\_\_\_\_
1. Esau, Gen. 29:26 2. Abraham, Gen. 20:1-12  
3. Amram, Exodus 6:20 4. Esau, Gen. 26:34-35



### JESUS IS THE SAVIOR, THE ONE WHO SAVES

And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins. Matthew 1:21

For unto you is born . . . a Savior, which is Christ the Lord. Luke 2:11

### JESUS CAME TO SAVE LOST SINNERS

For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost.

Luke 19:10

This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptation, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

I Timothy 1:15

### JESUS IS THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN SAVE

Be it known unto you all . . . that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom ye crucified, whom God raised from the dead, even by him doth this man stand here before you whole . . . Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.

Acts 4:10-12

### JESUS CAN SAVE COMPLETELY AND FOREVER

Wherefore he is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them.

Hebrews 7:25

### JESUS GIVES US THE FAITH WE NEED TO BE SAVED

For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it

is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast.

Ephesians 2: 8,9

### JESUS SAVES ONLY THOSE WHO BELIEVE IN HIM

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved. He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.

John 3:16-18

### JESUS SAVES ANYONE WHO ASKS HIM

Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house.

Acts 16:31

Whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved.

Acts 2:21

### JESUS SAVES NOW AND FOREVER

Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us . . . That being justified by his grace, we should be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

Titus 3:5,7

### JESUS WANTS YOU TO BE SAVED TODAY

Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.

II Corinthians 6:2

There is no God else beside me; a just God and a Savior; there is none beside me. Look unto me, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth: for I am God, and there is none else.

Isaiah 45: 21,22

The Bible is a window in this world through which we may look into eternity.  
Are you looking?

Christianity is civilization's only uplifting force in the world today.



## SMILE AWHILE



A mother was scolding her little boy. "How often must I tell you to keep your eyes closed when your father is asking the blessing at the table?"

"Yes, ma'am, but how do you know that I don't?"

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Well, there's no doubt we still have people who love work-and who can watch it for hours! Folks like the old mountaineer and his son. They sat before the fire all evening, slowly rocking and crossing and uncrossing their legs. Finally, the father said to the son, "Go outside and see if it's raining." Not even looking up, the boy replied, "Aw, Pa, why don't ye jest call in the dog and see if he's wet?"

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The neighborhood kids were on the front lawn when a fire truck zoomed past with the station mascot on the front seat. The children began discussing the dog's duties in connection with the truck.

"They used him to keep the crowd back at a fire," said a five-year-old girl.

"No," said another, "they carry him for good luck."

A six-year-old boy brought the argument to an abrupt halt. "They use the dog," he announced firmly, "to find the fire plug."

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A lady went into the post office to buy stamps to mail her daughter's wedding invitations.

"I'd like 200 stamps, please," she said to the clerk.

"What denomination?" the clerk asked.

"Oh, dear," she said. "I didn't know it had come to that. I suppose it would be best to split them. Give me 100 Baptist and 100 Presbyterian."

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The church was having trouble with its sound system and decided to install a more modern stereo system on an experimental basis. The pastor asked for comments and as an elderly lady departed the sanctuary that Sunday, she confronted him with her usual salty tone: "Don't like it. If I wanted to hear what you had to say, I would have moved closer up front!"