



God Speaks To Us

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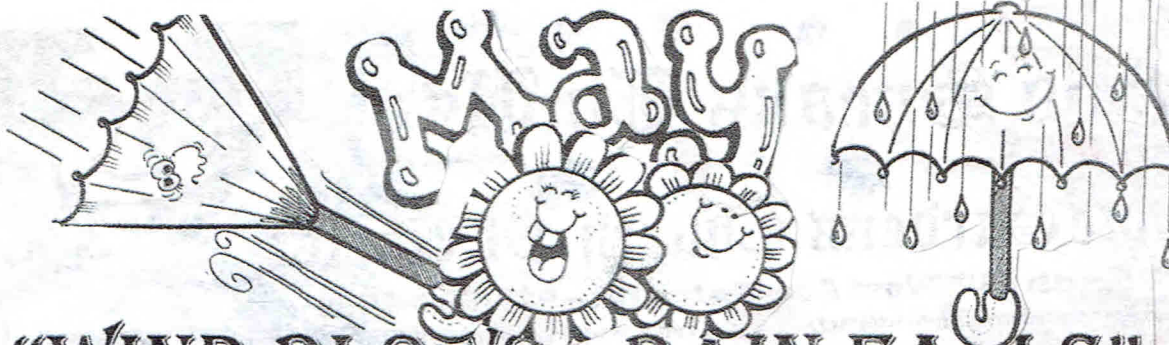
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TYRANNY SUBVERSION DESPOTISM

Matthew 25:21

"His master replied, 'Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!'

Love One Another



"WIND BLOWS - RAIN FALLS"

1. MOTHER'S DAY NEXT SUNDAY - Love Them Deeply...Hug Hug & Kiss! Kiss!
2. FELLOWSHIP MENU 18th - Salads Hot & Cold Will Be Served In Chow Hall
3. SCHOOL OUT MAY 21ST - Some Glad - Some Sad! - Some Graduating Hurrah
4. COMPLETE LIFE - Must lose his/her life so they might find it. Matt 10:39
5. REFRESHING WORD - "COMETH" The Bible verse where "cometh" is first

used is in (Proverbs 18:17) Specifically, the verse reads: "He that is first in his own cause seemeth just; but his neighbor cometh and searcheth him." It's about the importance of considering all sides of a situation before jumping to conclusions.

"We are each our own devil, and make this world our hell"

Sharon/Steve - Hospitalized to rule out stroke or aneurism. Test showed UTI volume depletion and both Carotid arteries stenosis so the sent referral to neuro surgeon put me on low dose aspirin and Plavix blood thinner to take pressure off my arteries luckily. I had no aneurysm, and Steve had the dye test for lower extremities in heart catheter. Kaydee brought us home and we are worn out. **Amber** - Ares is doing great, moving right along. Can spell his name and can even read in cursive pretty well! Having Dad in town was wonderful! Lots of family bonding time. Maybe he'll be back sooner than later.

"Happiness often sneaks in through a door you left open." **Raymond** -

Checkup, and has sleeping disorder. **Toni** - Father still in Dallas doing therapy. **June**

Slankard - Bunco lady not very responsive in St John's with kidneys 25%. **Carlee** - Full swing now till end of July. Carlee is pumping them across the plate to the tune of 33 strikeouts less than 10 games & received tournament MVP on weekend. **John Boy** - Breathing disorder

and found approach that helps. **Among the changing months, May stands**

constant the sweetest, and in fairest colors dressed." **Bunco** - Ladies had their 4th gathering and one dear heart, Janice, was missed due to mother relocation. Actually, the grandkids are better than the grandmothers and mothers at rolling the dice and hollering

BUNCO. **GP John** - He loves the Lord 1st and loves singing praises to him. Little Ava is his boy, and Cat comes in last with a nap on his lap. **Power Of the Word of God** - There is

no book that has stood the test of time and that has not stood the test of heavy speculation, yet it has not been disproved. God's words possess the power over temptation. It is evident that we live in a world that focuses on the flesh. (1 John 2:16) "For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh, and the lust of the eye, and the pride of life, is not of the father, but is of the world." These three points are tested and tried on a daily basis in America. Fear not God has given His people power over these temptations.

(James 4:7) Submit yourselves therefore to God **Resist** the devil, and he will flee from you. "Hurrah for being on the Lord's side who always gets the W"

My Spanish friend is a big deal in the opera world. Years ago, he flew into Chicago and planned to attend a show that evening, but he wasn't sure he would make it. So after getting off the plane, he and his partner started running

through the terminal, where they were stopped by a security guard.

My flustered friend shouted in a thick Spanish accent, "I am going to see oh-pay-rah!"

The guard sprang into action, quickly escorting them through immigration and customs, then outside to a cab.

His partner, also Spanish but more familiar with America, later explained to his friend that the guard "thought you were going to be appearing on Oprah."



EARTH

MOON

MARS

VENUS

SPACE FORCE

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A man of words and not of deeds Is like a garden full of weeds.

CITRUS REGALIA

LILIA FLORES WORE ROBES OF GRAPEFRUIT

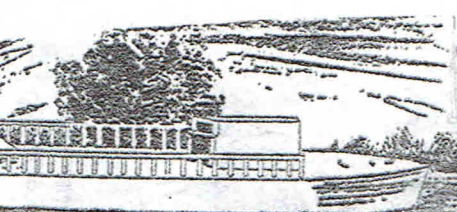
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When a man is his clothes a most people



er in the world is expected to work for room, board,
e—except the housewife.

SHIP OF THE DESERT

LAKE STEAMER
RESTING ON DRY LAND MANY MILES FROM THE SEA.

MANY YEARS AGO THIS SPOT
WAS THE BED OF GOOSE LAKE.
THE LAKE DRIED UP,
LEAVING THE VESSEL STRANDED

—Modoc County,
California.

SMALLEST
JUSTICE OF THE PEACE OFFICE.
COUPLES MUST STAND
OUTSIDE THE DOOR
TO BE MARRIED.
—Bay Springs, Miss.

on, Texas
ENTIRELY
EIGHING 64 POUNDS.

age of the Pebble and the Shrub

e fabulously wealthy Maharaja of Orchha,
dia, spends nearly half a million dollars to
marriage ceremony in the world—the union
shrub—amidst lavish Oriental splendor.
le that eclipses the nuptials of European
procession escorts the bride and groom to
phants lead the way. Each is caparisoned
f gold, sparkling with gems. A caravan of
ges behind, laden with gifts. Then comes
D horsemen and every one of the 300,000
he state.

is one of those mystic ceremonies that
of the Western World. To the Maharaja
is a holy and solemn event. The smooth
occupies the bridegroom's seat in the
magnificently accoutred elephant is called
ns a fossil shell and is regarded as the in-
at god, Vishnu. The Shrub called Toolsey
is the living form of Sita, a woman so
d to become Vishnu's wife after death.

his bride-to-be, Toolsey, are escorted to
e at Ludora. As they approach, a royal
boms its welcome. Following the impres-
ony the Pebble and the Shrub are left to
holy shrine as man and wife for a twelve-
lows spring when another pebble is
the millions that are washed onto the
m the Himalayan peaks. Then the spec-
to the last elephant and camel.

tively rude, it is as if he had cast off all
ood before us naked. Of course, like
is condition, he cuts a poor figure.

"I know I failed all the tests and never handed in
any finished assignments. So what's your point?"

How men hate waiting while their wives shop for clothes and
trinkets; how women hate waiting, often for much of their
lives, while their husbands shop for fame and glory.

"It was easier when you went to school, Dad.
That was before the information age."

IS A SINNER SAVED BY WATER BAPTISM?

Yes. Heaven says, "...baptism doth also now save us..." (I Peter 3:21). You
can't argue with that because if you do, you're telling the Lord he doesn't
know what he's talking about. Who will be so contemptuous and haughty
as to step forward and attempt to correct Jesus?

Every example of conversion in the book of Acts involved water
baptism. You never read of one being saved (converted) without it. Baptism
is the point in time when one leaves the life of the "old man of sin" and
becomes a "new creature" (Christian) in Christ. Romans 6:6 says of
baptism, "*Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with him, that the body
of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin.*"
Romans 6:18 says, "*Being then made free from sin, ye became the servants of
righteousness.*"

Jesus taught that baptism was absolutely essential to being saved in
Mark 16:16 when He said, "*He that believeth and is baptized shall be
saved.*" That is why both He and John taught people to be baptized "for
the remission of sins" (Mark 1:4; John 4:1). This is also why water baptism
is included in the great commission. It was to be preached and practiced
until He comes again. Water baptism is the "new birth" of which Jesus
spoke to Nicodemus (John 3:3-5).

When those on the day of Pentecost wanted to know what to do to be
saved, they were told, "...Repent, and be **baptized...for the remission of
sins...**" (Acts 2:38). They were not told to believe on the Lord Jesus Christ
to be saved. They already believed. They had to repent and be baptized.

When the man from Ethiopia learned what to do to be saved, he said, "...
here is water; what doth hinder me to be baptized?" He was not scolded for
thinking baptism was necessary. He knew it was essential in becoming a
Christian.

Saul was told to "...**be baptized, and wash away thy sins...**" (Acts 22:16).
He wasn't saved on the road to Damascus, if so, he was the most miserable
saved man the world has ever known. He would not eat or drink. He did
not know what to do to be saved until Ananias taught him. When he
learned about baptism, he did not fuss and argue. He gladly obeyed and his
sins were washed away.

Water baptism **alone** will not save; but, neither will faith, repentance,
confession or even grace alone!

Only two things are necessary to keep one's wife happy.
One is to let her think she is having her own way, and the
other, to let her have it.

Husband and wife come
to look alike at last.

Love is blind, but marriage restores its sight.

Marriage is a wonderful institution. If it weren't for marriage,

husbands and wives would have to fight with perfect strangers.



man replied.
When the officer finally stopped laughing, he sent the driver on his way without a ticket.

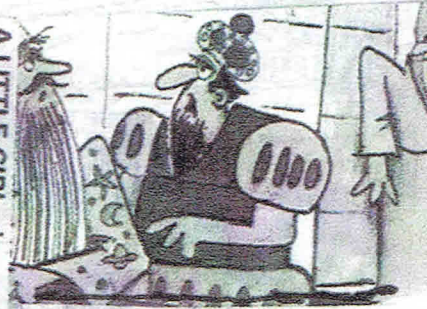
"I've been waiting for you all day," the officer said, pulling out his notepad.
"Well, I got here as fast as I could," the young

THE POLICE OFFICER got out of his car as the young man, stopped for speeding, rolled down his window.

Pony Express Debuts

The first Pony Express mail left Missouri and reached its California destination 10 days later through a series of rider relay teams. This delivery speed was a great improvement from the then-current cross-country mail delivery systems by ship or stagecoach which could take anywhere from three weeks to many months. Although the Pony Express system was short-lived and unprofitable, it helped win federal aid for a more economical postal system.

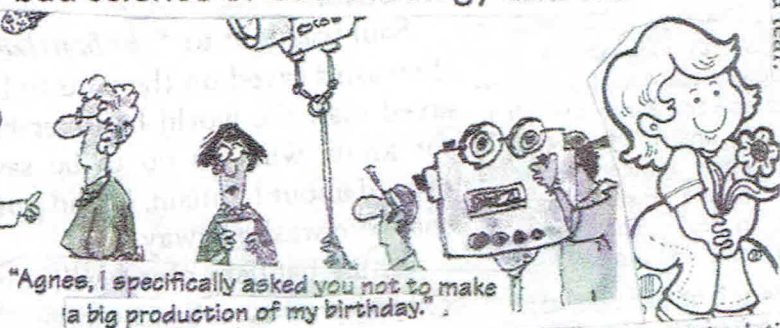
A LITTLE GIRL, dressed in her Sunday best, ran as fast as she could, trying not to be late for Bible class. As she ran, she prayed, "Dear Lord, please don't let me be late." Soon she tripped on a curb and fell, getting her clothes dirty and tearing her dress. She got up, brushed herself off and started running again. As she ran, she once again began to pray, "Dear Lord, please don't let me be late. But please don't shove me either."



"You think you can find a notion to put her to sleep for another hundred years?"

SUPERCOLLIDER MYSTERIES The Large Hadron Collider near Geneva is now operational. What it is doing is ramming protons into each other with such energies that essentially the protons are smashed so that scientists can determine what the protons are made of. So far over 110 new particles have been identified. One interesting thing that has been observed is that some of the particles appear to be synchronizing their flight patterns like flocks of birds, and so far no good explanation exists as to why this is happening. The more we study how the basic building blocks of matter have been designed, the more complex the picture becomes. Every layer of complexity that gets added to the picture speaks that much more eloquently about the intelligence that in the beginning created the heaven and the earth.

"MULTIPLE BIG BANGS" DEAD A lot of attention was given to an announcement by prominent cosmologists that they had detected evidence there were many "big bangs" before the one that produced the universe as we know it. Scientists announced that a technical misunderstanding had caused those claims, and that there is no evidence of previous singularities. This is not a religious issue, but it shows the positive nature of scientific research — that errors and misunderstandings are gradually rooted out as research continues. If religious people would research God's word in the same way, similar corrections might come about. When there is a conflict between science and faith there is either bad science or bad theology and we have had a lot of both.



Where there's a will, there are 500 relatives.

A WOMAN picked through the frozen turkeys at the grocery store, but she couldn't find one large enough to feed her family. "Do

these turkeys get any bigger?" she asked a stock boy. "No, ma'am," he replied. "They're dead."

■ I had to subject the subject to a series of tests.

■ Upon seeing the tear in the painting, I shed a tear.