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## Isaiah 58:11

"The Lord will guide you always; he will satisfy your needs in a sun-scorched land and will strengthen your frame. You will be like a well-watered garden, like a spring whose waters never fail".



# "BRRR! COLD SPRING"

1. EGGS HUNT NEXT SUNDAY – KEEP THOSE STUFFED EGGS COMING!
2. TAXE DUE TUESDAY – SOME GLAD (Refund) – SOME SAD (Owe IRS)
3. COMMON SENSE – AI gives biases Bible answers daily ....BEWARE!
4. Refreshing Words "Distinctive" – In sound speech Titus 2:8, In doctrine 2 Jo 9 will not teach no other, In worship spirit & truth Jo 4:24, In life Phil 1:27 manner.

**"The brave Christian will resist Satan to his face"**

**B-Shower Today** – For Amelia/Abby with money tree after fellowship.

**Shelia** – Dealing with various health issues, but her cure and delight are down at Lost City with the blooming dogwoods, wild flowers that bees are working, and listening to the crystal water from ice cold springs that echo as it runs over the boulders and pebbles making its way back to the oceans. With a stem of Oklahoma blue grass in her mouth, she warms herself with tree fall from over the winter winds. **"Seasons change, and so do we."** **Doris** – Doris - Surgery went fine. Report said cancer had not spread.

**Raymond** – Still returning to ER and DR. Sleep cycle messed up. **GP John** – Has 2 phones and can't get good reception because cat chews on them every chance he gets Meow! **Dolores/Katie** – Wedding @ Little Rock, Arkansas.

**"Most folks pretend to enjoy spring cleaning but they really just rearrange the mess."** **Jerry/John Boy** – Recall the days of youth, and deal with restless leg, swollen feet & legs, wobbling, up & down through the night, (Momma said there would be days like this). **Waid** Testing and dealing with unknown issues. Keep in prayer. **Nicole** – Doing great! Enjoying the beautiful weather and Ava! She is growing each day like one of these beautiful spring flowers! **Carlee** – Did well. She and her catcher picked up with a younger team. It was miserably cold the first day but was much better second day. Went undefeated. **Nash** – First game last Tuesday Lost 5-4 **AI Pros & Cons** –

**Pros** – AI is an uninspired source. It is not inherently wrong to "uninspired sources when used correctly. Paul did IN Acts 17:28 - "For in him, we live, and move, and have our being; as certain also of your own poets have said." Accessibility and convenience. – AI is 24/7 and can quickly retrieve scripture references, historical context, and inside from various perspectives. **Cons** – AI does not have faith, spiritual maturity, or the ability to apply biblical wisdom as a mature Christian would. AI for spiritual guidance should never replace diligent Bible study and learning from my faithful Christian. 2 Tim 2:15, 2 Peter 3:15-18. Contextual Misinterpretation. – AI sometimes takes versus out of context, misapplies Scripture, or omit parts of versus. **Conclusion** – using AI is not inherently wrong, just as it is not inherently wrong to study the Bible, using online videos, Bible software, or uninspired commentaries. However, it must be used with great caution because it can mislead.

determination with which Christians combated all forms of paganism (the belief in multiple deities), this appears a rather dubious presumption. There is now widespread consensus that the word derives from the Christian designation of Easter week as in *albis*, a Latin phrase that was understood as the plural of *alba* ("dawn") and became *eostarum* in Old High German, the precursor of the modern German and English term. The Latin and Greek Pascha ("Passover") provides the root for Pâques, the French word for Easter.

The 'navvy' made his Revolution in the eighteenth century. They were engaged in the construction of canals and later railways, throughout the country. The canals were called 'navigators'. This was so adopted to describe :



Nothing annoys me more than a man who knows all and does nothing.

Strange how much you know before you know how to use it.

To be conscious that you have knowledge.

One cannot know everything.

He who has knowledge will be humbled.

Proverbs 17:27 (NKJ)

It is better to know nothing than to know what ain't so.

He that increaseth knowledge increaseth sorrow.

A little knowledge is a dangerous thing.



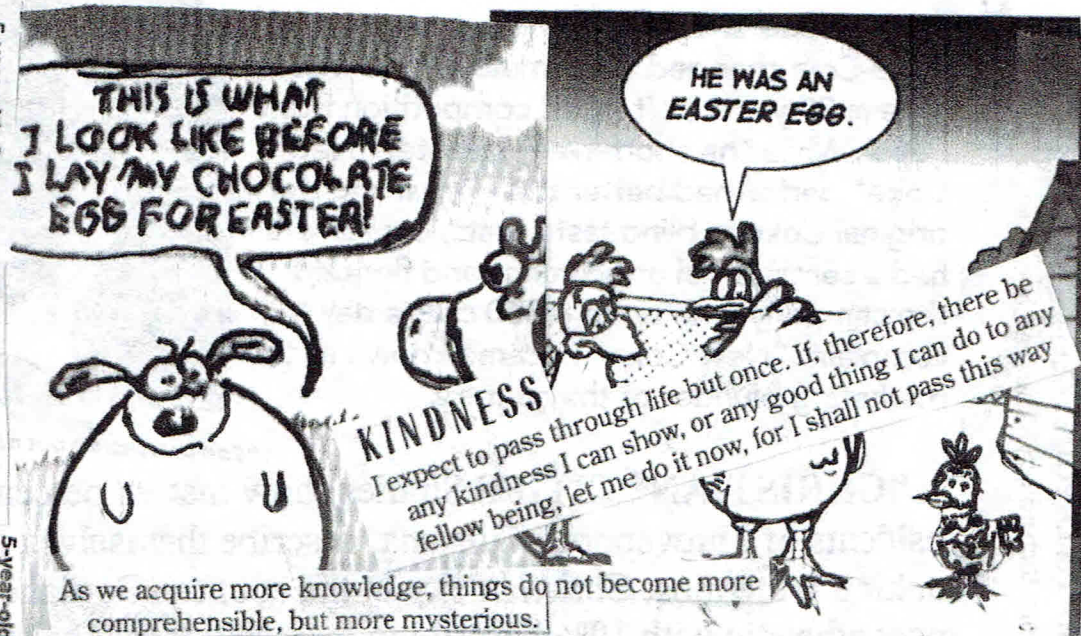
It is the passion that is in a kiss that gives to it its sweetness; it is the affection in a kiss that sanctifies it.

## KISS

Stealing a kiss may be petty larceny, but usually it's grand.

Strange how much you've got to know before you know how little you know.

To be conscious that you are ignorant is a great step to knowledge.



## ARE SINNERS SAVED BY REPENTING?

Repentance is an essential part in being saved. As willing as God is to save, he cannot save anyone without their repentance. *"God...commandeth all men every where to repent"* (Acts 17:30). *"The Lord is...longsuffering to usward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance"* (II Peter 3:9).

The word repent means "to change one's mind for the better, heartily to amend with abhorrence of one's past sins, to think differently." Therefore, repentance is not merely a change of action, it primarily is a changing of your mind — your thinking process — which when performed, leads to a change of life and action.

There are many verses which teach the essentiality of repentance. Repentance was the message of John the Baptist. *"John did baptize in the wilderness, and preach the baptism of repentance for the remission of sins"* (Mark 1:4). Jesus said, *"Repent: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand"* (Matthew 4:17). *"...Except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish"* (Luke 13:3,5). *"And they went out, and preached that men should repent"* (Mark 6:12). When the first Gospel sermon was preached (when the church of Christ had its beginning), the apostles of Christ gave the means of entrance into the Lord's kingdom, the church. *"Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost"* (Acts 2:38). The message of the apostles was that men must repent. *"Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out..."* (Acts 3:19). The apostle Paul said his responsibility was to show all men everywhere *"...that they should repent and turn to God, and do works meet for repentance"* (Acts 26:20).

Though repentance is essential, it alone will not save. Many other things have a part as well; such as: grace, blood, faith, confession, baptism, faithfulness, etc. It's impossible for God to save a stubborn and rebellious sinner who refuses to "change his mind for the better," and turn to God in humble obedience and service to him (Matthew 7:21).

Friend, are you ready to repent and be baptized as those we read about in Acts 2:38? Why not today?

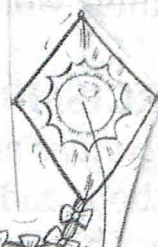
5-year-old: Can you breathe on the moon?

5-year-old: What if you had an oxygen tank?

Me: No, there's no oxygen.

5-year-old: What if the oxygen tank was empty?

Me: Then yes, you to do this?



The English word Easter, which parallels the German word *Ostern*, is of uncertain origin. One view, expounded by the Venerable Bede in the 8th century, was that it derived from Eostre, or Fostræ, an Anglo-Saxon goddess possibly associated with spring and fertility. (In the modern era the connection between Eostre and spring has been disputed; she may have been a local protective deity rather than a fertility figure.) This view presumes—as does the view associating the origin of Christmas on December 25 with pagan celebrations of the winter solstice—that Christians

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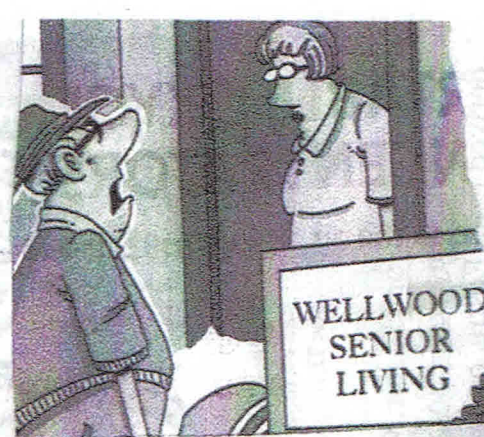
WHAT TELLS YOU a pirate has fallen for modern technology? The iPad.

THE CABLE REPAIRMAN was on my street and stopped to ask me the time. I told him it was between 1 p.m. and 5 p.m.

Don't stand around doing nothing. People will think you're the boss.

## New Coke Debuts

Coca-Cola changed its formula for the first time in 99 years as it faced competition from Pepsi. While the short-lived, sweeter "New Coke" performed better than Pepsi and the original Coke in blind taste tests, consumers had a sentimental attachment and flooded the company with up to 8,000 calls a day to complain. "New Coke" became known as the marketing blunder of the century.

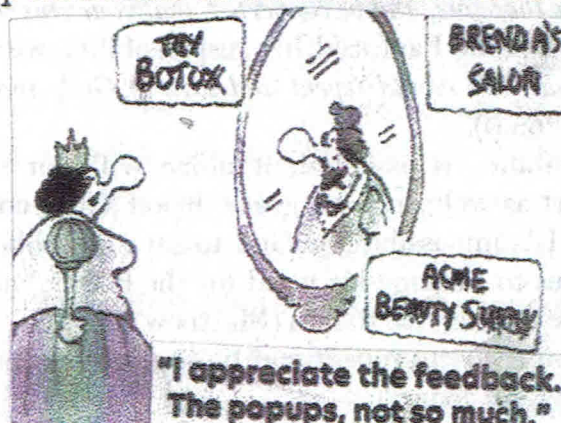


"Can Larry come out and play pickleball?"

**"CHRISTIAN" CITIES** Studies show that 98 percent of the residents of Shreveport, Louisiana, describe themselves as "Christian" making it the most Christian city in the country. Portland Maine, is the most atheistic with 19% describing themselves as atheist or agnostic. The least Christian city in the U.S. was San Francisco with 68% pe describing themselves as Christian. **RELIGIOUS FRAUD IN SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH** 788 English language science papers have been retracted since the year 2015, and 30 % of those — some 236 papers — were retracted because of fraud. The rest were retracted because of errors. Our society seems to feel that scientific research is beyond corruption or error, but anything done by humans will have error and fraud involved in it, and learning not to trust the fallible work of humans is an important survival skill in all areas of life.

## CATHOLIC CHURCH CALLS FOR MORE EXORCISMS

Vatican released a book titled *Of Exorcisms and Supplications* and a conference was held in Baltimore in which some 50 bishops and 60 priests were trained in how to conduct the liturgical rite. This was done because of "a shortage of priests who can perform the rite." Signs of demonic possession according to the Catholic Church, are "a violent reaction to holy water or anything holy, speaking in a language the possessed person doesn't know and abnormal displays of strength. This is a misunderstanding of demonology and possession, and that in fact demon possession of the kind described in the Bible does not happen today.



A RETIRED MAN who volunteered to entertain patients in hospitals and nursing homes went for a visit and took his portable keyboard along. He told some jokes and sang some funny songs at

their bedside. When he finished, he told the group, "I hope you get better." An elderly man quipped, "I hope you get better, too."

"IF A WORD in the dictionary was misspelled, how would we know?"