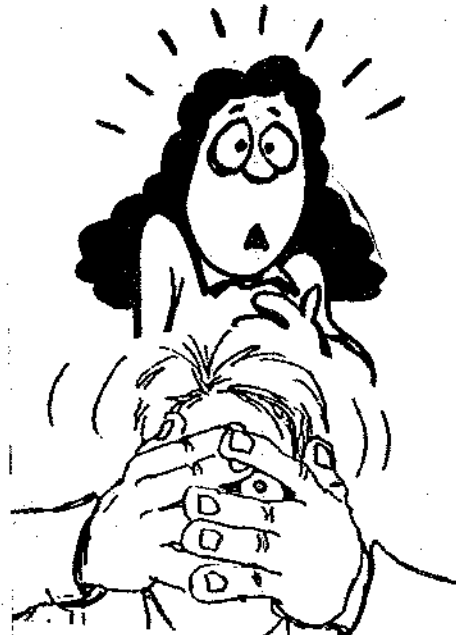


LABOR DAY WEEKEND THIS COMING SATURDAY - MONDAY

WORLD PROVERBS - It rains in summer as well as in winter & play in summer, starve in winter.
SENDING LOVE TO DEAR HEART-MATTHEWAMBERJANICW/RONKATHY/BRIAN/ANDY/CHRISTIAN
IM & BUCH - Both will tell you that there is no prison like a guilty conscience. **KEENE GA GAL** - Requesting prayer for sister Ruth/declared cancer free/but problems/oncologist testing/praying cancer will be ruled out. **BANNE** - Directory update - New Home 1213 North Maple, SS OK 74063 **ROY/TERRI** - Roy has sleeping problem/Terri looking forward to the holidays.
BILLIE - Raymond/Marsh receding fast Sunday/Raymond's brother Jay scheduled for 3rd surgery this week/inestine removal.
DORIS/LEON - Doris fell/hit head/left side bruised. Linda sleeping problem. **TAYLOR** - Back in school @ TCC. **ILLIE** - Mirror on the wall is her worst enemy/Don, her brother had kidney stone surgery last week, request prayers for healing. **MASS**
MASS LUY 2 - Julia Ford, Helen Fletcher & Bonnie. **IM BURDGE** - Thanks HG for prayers concerning surgery for grandson/DR's have different take on meds/hoping it works for the best. **IMOGENE** - Sold home/sends her love/busy daily.
FRAN - Knee and back have been a little grumpy/see doctor Monday. **NEW REACHING FOR TRUTH CARDS** - Please pick up and hand out everywhere, and they are very eye catching.

THIS & THAT

THIS WEEK - PICK UP SEARCH FOR TRUTH CARDS - HAND OUT EVERYWHERE YOU GO
LADIES & MEN ACTION FELLOWSHIP - This Friday 6:30PM @ Building. Pizza will be more die to request for different company. If you have paid you might have to pay more. Eating high on the hog coast more, see Dolores for price.
WORD OF THE WEEK - ACTS - We know that Luke wrote the Acts. He did it probably while with Paul in Rome, A. D. 60-64, and this is the apparent reason that the Acts closes abruptly with Paul a prisoner two years in Rome.
TOP OF THE WEEK - GROW YOUR FAITH... BE HERE ON SUNDAY PM... IT'S ALL ABOUT UNITY
Question 1 How much of the world's ways can we participate in and still get to heaven. We are not to imitate unbelievers!
GANGBANG HEADLIGHTS - DON'T flash cars with lights off, gangs are shooting those who flash them. BEWARE!!!!
STRIVING A HEALTHY WEIGHT - Loose 15lbs ASAP..... Stop eating "WHEAT" Eat in Moderation
OVER COMING THE FEAR OF DEATH - "Behold, God is my salvation; I will trust, and not be afraid: for the Lord Jehovah is my strength and my song; he also is become my salvation." (Isaiah 12:2).
FACING TRIBLE - Remember "Ye are of God, little children, and have overcome them: because greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world" 1 John 4:4, Philip 4:--13; Prov 3:26.
HUMOR - I DON'T MIND running into debt. It's running into my creditors that's embarrassing.
DISCIPLES OF CHRIST/CHRISTIAN CHURCH - They are absolutely sure that we cannot be absolutely sure about the how God wants us to worship and serve him.
MURPHY'S LAW - History is science of what never happens twice. History repeats itself, one of the problems with history.
PARAPRODOXIANS - I used to be indecisive. Now I'm not so sure.
POWER FOR TODAY - God wants both things that are of value to us. God wants our worship and recognition of His sovereignty in our lives and He wants us to treat others with justice and mercy and generosity. Start doing it!!!!
HIDE IN CHURCH - We are Baptists; our daughter-in-law is Catholic. One night our granddaughter wanted to say "Hail Mary". It started out good, but then went swiftly down hill. She only knew part of it. She said, "Hail Mary, Mother of God... (long pause)... I don't know where to put the lemons". That was supposed to be "blessed art thou among women"
GOOD TIME TO PRAY - Quiet times are rare for some, and constant for others. Take advantage of solace prayer. Lk 9:18
KNY - Skin around knuckles wrinkled/knees not - Knuckles need enough shin to permit flexing 100% - Knees requires less.
ELDERS NOT BULLIES - If one or more men serving as an elder becomes "intoxicated" with their power, they will be looked up-on as a modern day Diotrephes 3 John 9. Those of this disposition, quickly escalate into micro-managers bosses, and operate behind "closed doors." The input of members is taken as "bossing the elders" or infringing upon their authority. One thing is for certain, when this takes place, those elders have forgotten or misunderstand their role and responsibility as shepherd; Godly elders realize they, like all Christians, are servants of Christ, and will keep the lines of communication open thus creating an atmosphere of being approachable. When this takes place, faithful brethren will uphold the hands of their shepherds, highly esteeming them (1 Thess.5: 12-13) and lovingly submitting to their rule.
LEVEE IN USA - Aug 1959: President Eisenhower signs a proclamation admitting Hawaii into the Union as the 50th state.
MAN'S OR GOD'S WAY - Investigating Seventh Day Adventist - 10 Command not nailed to cross. "BIBLE" - Col 2: 14 Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances was against us, which was contrary to us, took it out of the way, nailing to his cross.
LOCK STOCK & BARREL - High and Dry - This is a reference to boats and ships left stranded by the retreating tide. To be left high and dry oneself is to be abandoned and excluded from the current of events.
GRANTS - Hugo McCord (1911-2004) McCord born in Mississippi and attended Freed-Hardeman College. Earned his doctorate, but did not glory in the fact, nor did he expect his peers to address him as Doctor McCord. For many years he taught at Oklahoma Christian College (1953-1981). He was skilled in both Greek and Hebrew and knew his Bible from the first page to the last. His contribution was the Gospel Advocate and many valuable books he had published.
NAME OF KEYS DAYSPRING: Lk 1:78 The tender mercy of our God; whereby the dayspring from on high hath visited us.
STATESIDE/OVERSEAS - NO SUPPORTED/2024 - Churches in the House to House program set a goal to reach 3,000,000 families with a single issue. The September issue is going into 3,058,154 homes (including those in our community) in all fifty states, Washington, DC, and ten foreign nations. Please pray that God will use it to increase His Kingdom. Remember to ask your neighbors if they got their copy!
BIBLE QUIZ - What book prophesies in (People have seen a great light) Age of Saul began reign - Complete - Day of Lord comes as **BRAIN TEASER** - How far can a dog run into the forest?
THOUGHT FOR THE DAY - It's the little things in life that determine the big things - ... Thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord. Matthew 25:21b
WEEKLY MEMORIALIZATION - Cut & Keep - Acts 16:15 - And when she was baptized, and her household, she besought us, saying, If ye have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come into my house, and abide there. And she constrained us:



Excuses Are Only Good For The People That Make Them



WILL GOD ACCEPT OUR EXCUSES AT THE JUDGMENT

There is a Day of Judgment. "When the Son of man shall come in glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon throne of his glory: And before him shall be gathered all nations: and he shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth his sheep from goats" (Matthew 25:31-32). God will not accept men's excuses on the Day of Judgment. We will not be able to plead our case and change God's will Matthew 25:44-45 tells of those who sought to do so but to no avail. The man who had received one talent made excuses for not using that which was entrusted to his care but his "...lord answered and said unto him, Thou wicked and slothful servant, thou knewest that I reap where I sowed not, and gather where I have not sowed: Thou oughtest therefore to have put my money to the exchange and then at my coming I should have received mine own with usury." The Lord adds to this account by saying, "And cast ye the unprofitable servant into our darkness: there shall he be weeping and gnashing of teeth" (Matthew 25:26-27, 30). In Matthew 7:22-23 we read, "Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity."

Everyone will receive what is due them according to how they have lived this life. "For the Son of man shall come in the glory of his Father with his angels and then he shall reward every man according to his works" (Matthew 16:27) "For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad" (II Corinthians 5:10).

Punishment in an eternal hell awaits those who do not obey God's Will. For the Lord will come "in flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ; Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power" (II Thessalonians 1:8-9).

There are no verses that describe or even hint at the idea that God will accept our excuses!

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DIVORCE STATISTICS CHALLENGED

Have you heard it said that 50 % of all marriages end in divorce? Research shows that the numbers are nowhere near that bad. It appears that the media in its desire to denigrate anything that has biblical connections has exaggerated the numbers and misrepresented what is actually happening. Statistics that have been used to get the 50% figure were taken from high school graduates under age 26 when they were wed in the 1980 and who were still married when they hit their twentieth wedding anniversary. College graduates who got married at the same time and were over 26 were still married in 81% of the cases. College graduates who got married under age 26, were still married after 20 years in 65% of the cases. When you factor in the people who had multiple divorces it becomes obvious that the 50 % figure is very misleading, and in fact inaccurate.

CLOSING DOWN BIBLE STUDIES

One of the things that has been going on for some time throughout the United States has been that some cities have tried to shut down Bible studies within the city limits. The problem is not the content of the studies, but concerns about the tax status of the buildings where Bible studies are held. If a building is used for Bible studies, it can be called a "church" and churches are tax exempt. To keep the buildings on the tax rolls some cities have tried to outlaw Bible studies. In the past few months Gilbert, Arizona, and Rancho Cucamonga, California, have gotten media attention in this issue. In past years Los Angeles and Chicago have had issues along these lines that we have been reported. It should be pretty obvious that it would be very easy for such a ruling to be misused, and there is some evidence this is happening.

ADHD AND PESTICIDES

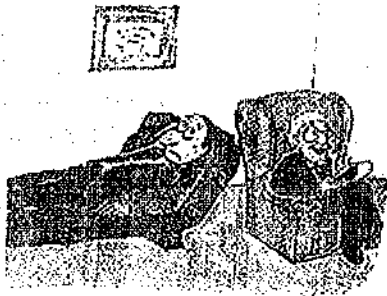
A new study reported in the journal Pediatrics saying that children with high levels of certain pesticides in their urine are more likely to have attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) problems than children with none of the pesticides in their urine. The more people blame God for their problems, the more obvious it becomes as Pogo said years ago, "We have met the enemy, and he is us."

IS THE SUN AN ODDBALL STAR?

That is the title of the lead article in the June issue of Astronomy magazine. The conclusion is "yes" it is certainly unusual in almost every way that can be measured. God gave us something special in this unique star that makes life possible.

"UNDER GOD" AND "IN GOD WE TRUST" REMAINS

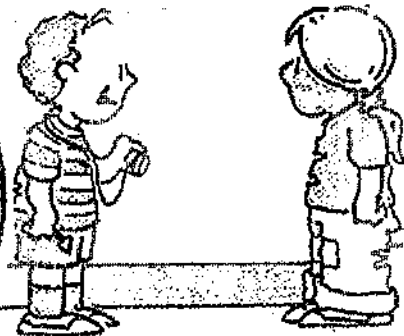
The Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals has ruled that the use of the term "God" is ceremonial and patriotic, not religious and has thrown out three lawsuits filed by atheist Michael Newdow in Sacramento. This means that for now "under God" will remain in the pledge and "In God we trust" will remain on currency. The ruling does not suggest that the courts are endorsing God, but rather that the word "God" is being relegated to history and ceremony not faith. Whether this is a victory or not can be debated, but it will satisfy many people.



"You think your job is bad? You should sit and listen to this all day."



"Do I hafta do my homework?"



"Let's play doctor - I'll listen to your heart and you give me all your allowance."