

WORLD PROVERBS - Mother's day next Sunday..... The mother to the child is what the king is to a nation.

SENDING LOVE TO DEAR HEART -

KAYDEE/LUKE/JASE/LENA/SANDY/HELEN/JULIA

SYMPATHY - Orpha Serzy and Nina Mae Peak laid their armor down last week. Wherever you find a page which glows with a peculiar splendor, there you will find the picture of stalwart heroines standing alone for God. Both of these beloved Christian ladies did the exact same thing in life. They learned to Stand fast, stand firm, stand alone, stand for God! They will be missed, HG sends our condolences.

TAYLOR - Won the state competition in Computer Technology. He competed for Americas best computer guru. Still in school, but got exposure to companies across the fruited plains looking for young men like him. Hurrah!

JOAN - Cat scan right swollen ankle/walking better. **Mary** - Cataract surgery Thur. **ALMA** - Having a skin graft to help heal. HG sends their heart of heart love. **DORIS** - Right foot clicking/had checked/waiting results. **BABY TALK** - **Savanna** had DR check/baby weighing 2lbs/size of rutabaga/we are talking, singing, and playing music/kicking up a storm/ Brandon able to feel her/still having morning nausea/please keep us in prayer. **Kaydee** - Induction scheduled/Nash will be here on May 21st before he decides he's ready. Everything is going well with baby. **HEALTH ISSUES** - Virginia, Johnny, Marsha, Mildred, Weldon, Julie, Doris, Janice D, Roy, Mark, Joan, Ruby, Dolores, Mary, Linda, Joyce, Alma, Donna, Jim, Lena, Helen, Don, Dorothy, Joi, Ben, Joyce, Mark, Janice R, Debbie, and Julia Ford

THIS WEEK - PICK UP SEARCH FOR TRUTH CARDS - HAND OUT EVERYWHERE YOU GO

INDIA MSV NEEDS - HG will be collecting three items each month for the next three months. May - Reading glasses only please/no old prescription/ good buy @ Dollar Tree & Dollar Gen - ESV.NKJV imitation leather Bibles - Sewing Kits.

MARINES - Wisdom does not show itself so much in precept as in life, in a firmness of mind and a mastery of appetite. It teaches us to do, as well as to talk; and to make our words and actions all the same marine color. Semper Fidelis!

ONE SOUL OUR GOAL ALL YEAR LONG - Remember our goal: Motivation is an important ingredient in religious life. But the foundation of motivation is important. Some activity, in my opinion, can be compared to a pep rally. One's emotions are stirred, but in the end his/her mind is not changed. Have you forgotten HG goal, someone need's YOUR HELP!

WORD OF THE WEEK - MALEFACTOR. - Evil-doer; insurgent, rebel. Lu. 23 :32, 33, 39.

BASIC BELIEF - BELIEF IN GOD: The question, "Who made God?" is dealt with in Psalm 90. "Before the mountains were brought forth, ... from everlasting to everlasting you are God" Ps 90:2. "You are from everlasting" Ps 93:2. "I am the first and I am the last; besides me there is no god" (Isa 44:6). God is not bound by human time: "One day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day" 2 Pet 3:8. "I am the Alpha and the Omega ... who is and who was and who is to come" Rev 1:8.

HUMOR - CENSUS TAKER asked a woman, "What's your age?" "Let me figure this out," she said. "I was 18 when I got married, and my husband was 30. He's 60 now - twice what he was then - so that would make me ... 36!"

TIP OF THE WEEK - If you didn't change your batteries on smoke/fire alarm @ day light savings...do it NOW!

POWER FOR TODAY - David believed that God was all he had to right the situation he found himself in. We are in the same place, and God can take us from total despair to a life of holding on to the rock that is ours. Today will you call out to the Lord and breathe in the overwhelming joy that He gives?

HEALTH TIP - Cardiovascular disease greatest health risk. Reduce risk by low impact physical activity 30 min daily.

LIFE IN AMERICA - 1940, President Roosevelt signs the Selective Service and Training Act, which requires all male citizens between the ages of 18 and 35 to register for the military draft.

KIDS IN CHURCH - The teens were to serve Sunday. The teacher said fill the salt/pepper shakers. Later the teacher ask do you have them filled. The girls said NO! The teacher said Why! The girls said it's hard pouring through all those little holes.

FOCUS - No one knows for sure who first said it, but it remains ageless wisdom: "A person who aims at nothing is sure to hit it." Let's aim for something in life-and hit it! Let's aim for something in death (heaven)-and hit it!

WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE - Lake & Pond: No one is willing to say, but the only distinction between the two is that a lake is always a natural formation; if it is manmade, the body is classified as a pond.

ARE YOU THE ONLY ONE'S GOING TO HEAVEN - Non-church members, and Denominationalists ask it of the church of Christ. It is a question that can gender high emotion. It has started arguments and closed minds. Therefore, it could fall into the category of foolish questions to avoid because they "gender strife" 1 Tim 6:3-4; 2 Tim 2:23-24). On the other hand, it is a Bible question. The disciples asked, "Who then can be saved?" Matt 19:25. And we are to "be ready always to give an answer" for our hope 1 Peter 3:15. It invites discussion of such essential doctrines as the church, salva-tion, and heaven. How else can we "prove [test] all things" and hold fast to the good? 1 Thess 5:21.

STATESIDE/OVERSES - HG SUPPORTED INDIA/GARY JOMES - State side for another two weeks, then will go back to India until Oct. Gary had cancer surgery while in India, and still suffers from side effects. Keep in prayer.

AMERICA YOU DON'T KNOW - Bill of Rights : George Washington had fourteen handwritten copies made. One for Congress, one for each of the original thirteen states. All bills over \$100.00 were discontinued in 1934 due to organized crime.

LOCK STOCK & BARREL To be 'fagged out' is to be in a state of near total exhaustion, with no strength left. In this case 'fag' refers to a rope's end that has become untwisted and is thereby weaker than it was in its original state.

NAME OF JESUS - KING OF SAINTS: Rev 15:3 And they sing the song of Moses the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying, Great and marvellous are thy works, Lord God Almighty; just and true are thy ways, thou King of saints.

LAUGHTER BEST MEDICINE - ICE CAPADES: During one scene of Walt Disney's "Snow White on Ice," the evil queen was tempting the heroine with a poisoned apple. The children in the audience were shouting at Snow White, warning her not to eat the apple. In front of us, a small girl stood up. "Don't take it!" the child called out. "She's a stranger!"

BRAIN TEASER - I die but do not live. What am I ?

BIBLE QUIZ - Mother of Benjamin - What done to Joseph's body when he died - How many days dark in plague of darkness over Egypt.

GRANDMA/GRANDPA LAWS - History repeats itself, and that's what's wrong with history.

THE ADVANTAGE OF DISADVANTAGE - Booker T. Washington knew something of disadvantage. After years of hard labor, he quickly gained fame and remained well-known until his death. He even insisted that his situation-though unfair-had given him insights he would not have had otherwise. He coined the phrase, "the advantage of disadvantage." Are you dealing with difficulties, harassed with heartache, or struggling with suffering? If so, maybe it would help to look for the advantage in disadvantage.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY - Those who bring sunshine to the lives of others cannot keep it from themselves. Be not deceived; God is not mocked for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap. Galatians 6:7

WEEKLY MEMORIZATION - Cut & Keep - Col 2: 12-14 Buried with him in baptism, wherein also ye are risen with him through the faith of the operation of God, who hath raised him from the dead. And you, being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath he quickened together with him, having forgiven you all trespasses; Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that was against us, which was contrary to us, and took it out of the way, nailing it to his cross



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THE CHOICE IS YOURS

by Dalton Key

Words you will never hear from the devil: "I want you to shame yourself, disgrace your family, alienate your friends, besmirch the church, and weaken the very fiber of society; to live a wasted, pathetic existence void of any real meaning or purpose; to behave so as to ruin your life, hasten your death, and damn your soul for all eternity."

But then the devil never has been in the truth-telling business.

He is, in the words of Jesus, "a liar." (John 8:44.) His work of deception has always involved promoting and propagandizing sin, in all its forms, at every level of society, and by whatever means.

He lied to Eve, the mother of all living. (Genesis 3:4.) He lied to those of Isaiah's day, calling "evil good, and good evil." (Isaiah 5:20.) And the devil takes pleasure in lying to you as well.

A few of his favorite lines:

"No one will ever find out."

"Everybody else is doing it."

"Go ahead - just this once."

"The Bible is out of touch with today's culture."

"God just want you to be happy."

"It can't be wrong when it feels so right."

The choice is yours. You may choose to listen either to the devil's lies or to heaven's truth.

But remember this: eternity lies in the balance.

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BABIES IN WOMB SHOW HUMAN CHARACTERISTICS

Researchers at Durham and Lancaster universities have been tracking movements in scans of healthy fetuses between 24 and 36 weeks gestation. Babies are able to open their mouths as they move their hands toward their mouths, and move their lips to form a smile or pain expression during this time of gestation. The claim that babies are not humans and do not do human things until after birth is not supported by the evidence.

CHINA FOSSIL PROBLEMS

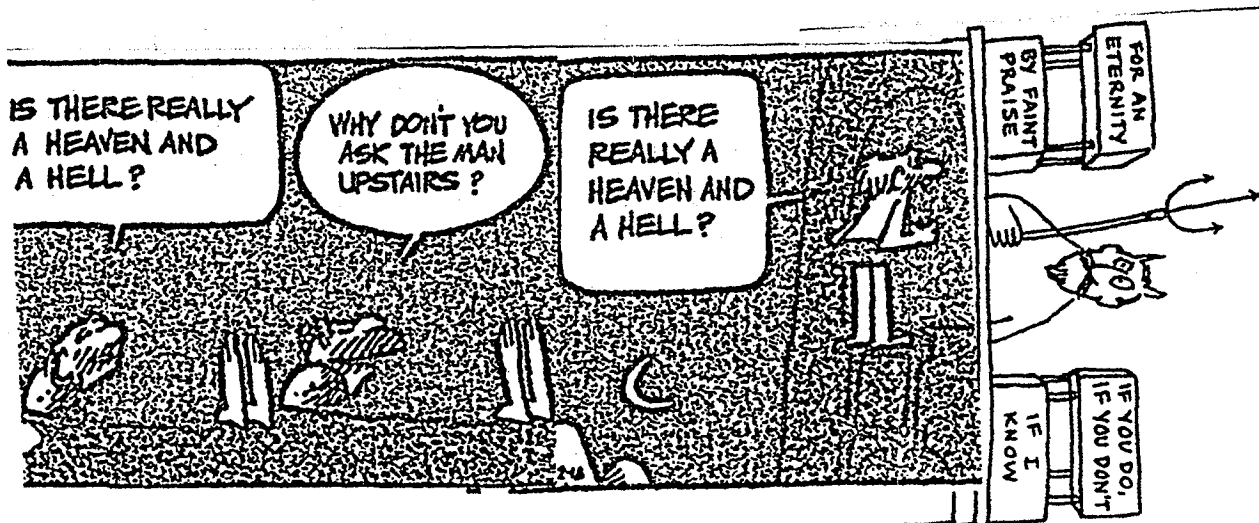
One of the more publicized fossils found in recent years was a specimen known as Aurornis (or dawn bird). This fossil and a number of others like it have come from the Liaoning area of China. This is also the area from which the Archaeoraptor fossil came. You may remember that fossil was called the "missing link between dinosaurs and birds" by National Geographic in 1999. It was later found to be a fake. It turns out that the Aurornis fossil was not found in the field, but was purchased from a fossil dealer who may have been involved in illegal and unscientific collecting. The Chinese dealers have learned how to make composite fossils, putting two specimens together to make a previously unseen specimen. They have also been good at making convincing fakes. It is important not to jump to conclusions when a find is announced. The National Geographic fake was only discovered when high resolution x-ray CT revealed the specimen was a mosaic of 88 separate pieces mounted onto a shale slab and glued into place with builder's grout.

LANGUAGE AND LOCATION

An interesting study of speech patterns by Joshua Katz at North Carolina State University is reported in Science News (July 13, 2013, page 4). It shows how words, even in American culture, mean different things in different regions of the country. An example is a sweetened carbonated drink, which is referred to as "soda" in New England and California, "Coke" in Louisiana and Mississippi, and "pop" in the north. Another example is a thing from which you might drink water in a school, which is a "water fountain" in the southeast, a "drinking fountain" in the west, and a "bubbler" in eastern Wisconsin. When we read the Bible the same problem exists. Both the original writers and translators were affected by where they lived. An example is that the Hebrew word nephilim, in Genesis 6:4 meant a gigantic person to the Vulgate translators, but to the ancient Hebrews it referred to "fallen ones." In America some have taken this to mean spirit creatures with an angelic reference involved. We have said that to take the Bible literally means to look at who wrote it, to whom, why they wrote it, and how people of the time would have understood it. When you do that, most of the "difficult" passages in the Bible become easy to understand.

FREEDOM FROM RELIGION FOUNDATION (FFRF) IN FUND-RAISING BLITZ

One of the more active atheist groups in the United States today was started by a former Baptist preacher in 1978. They are running full-page ads in Scientific American asking for donations. Their main thrust has been "to keep state and church separate." That is a goal we certainly support, and which is supported by a majority of Christians. By confusing a valid plea with their atheism, the FFRF has gained many followers and now claims to be "the nation's largest association of freethinkers (atheists and agnostics)." Their history has been one of opposing all expression of belief in anything supernatural. Recently they filed a federal lawsuit claiming that "In God We Trust" should be erased from our currency. They claim that 93% of elite scientists reject belief in a personal god or human immortality." That statistic is based on a study made in 1998 and reported in Nature magazine (vol. 394, no. 669). The study used a poorly designed questionnaire which led the responders to the desired answer. We have followed the FFRF from the early days (our program began in 1968) and know that it has considerable influence.



BTA - A Battery

Bible - Rachel Gen 35:16-20 - Embalmed & placed in coffin Gen 50:26 - 3 Days of darkness Ex 10:33