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FULL YEAR 2012 PARABLES IN LIFE

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One of my REASONS for doing Facebook – to share about God to people I'll never meet. November 7, 2013 at 8:02am · This is my one "friends only" posting so far:

I was rather distressed yesterday to learn that I'm being "followed" by someone who states on her own Facebook page that she's in an "open relationship with Diana Dee" [notice the space]. It's another person, and I'm comforted that this is obvious from the geography info.

Yet I do find it intriguing to consider: Because she's following me and I don't post everyday type things, perhaps God will use this finding by her of my pages to guide her to learn more about Him. Or perhaps God *caused* her finding. Hmmm. Intriguing to pray about and consider...

I've been very selective about who I accept as friends and who I suggest to just follow my posts, since **Parables of Life** are posted **publicly**. So--

Thank you for being my friends.

**Each & every one of you brings me a smile whenever I think of you.
Especially my children-Gifts-from-God :)**

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August 30, 2012 at 10:10pm ·

Most days I am encouraged by a book in the case beside my bed. I no longer read it because I remember its words. Just looking at the spine title reminds me: *REFUSE* to let my feelings be hurt. *REFUSE* to be offended. It's my CHOICE whether to stop being self-centered. John Bevere's "The Bait of Satan" reminds me: Our self plus Satan -- who Jesus declared IS real (like John 8:44) -- join forces to encourage us all to be pride-filled, which is what being offended really is. Please forgive me for those days when I forget this....

September 14, 2012 at 8:55pm ·

Final leader at PRAYER WORKS 2012 conference @ Hylton Memorial Chapel last night closed with such an urgent, such a real-to-life message. She said, "**We must go back and tell our churches to REALLY pray.**" What truth. How sad God must be at His churches teaching "God answers prayers" but barely doing it themselves -- except for sick people. / Ephesians 6:10-18,

>>> churches **not** remembering the urgent need to pray for protection against the principalities of evil, of Satan. / Ephesians 3:20, churches lovingly working for God but without fervently praying *together* for His empowering. Yes, working with dedication using our God-given skill sets may serve. But assuredly more weakly. And doesn't double as a demonstration to onlookers of the Glory of God who does "far more than we ask or think" (PRAY).

September 17, 2012 at 12:33pm ·

It would be intriguing if all churches would frame a quotation such as this one in their front hall for all to see as they enter. Would it be easier to then remember to be Christ-like? Bishop Michael Pitts of Cornerstone, INCREASE Conference of Sept 2012, "SELF ABSORBED CHRISTIANS **COME TO CHURCH WANTING THINGS DONE THEIR WAY.**" I can imagine LORD God sadly nodding in agreement. Thus explains the stupid *worship wars* that drive peoples to disobey Hebrews 10:25... <Do not stop coming together> that give cause for disrespecting The Church when individual congregations allow pride-filled attempts to control.

September 24, 2012 at 1:13am ·

Sometimes I'm a bit slow... Today a pastor said "**Though you don't have faith to follow Jesus, He will love and follow you.**" At first I thought, "Hmmm... I'm not sure about that word 'follow'." But then I remembered: Parable of the Lost Sheep. Hey, that's exactly what Jesus WAS saying... He cares enough to follow and call back to His safety each of us wanderers. And continues to answer prayers for James 1:5 wisdom when we're slow (thank God!). Psalm 119:176, Luke 15.

September 27, 2012 at 7:55am · **HUMOR POST**

I awoke this morning laughing over a conversation last month. I took Lea to a vet that's just for cats. After the exam as the vet and her assistant were walking away, I remembered a question. "Does Lea weigh enough? Is she too thin?" The vet kept walking and replied, "Oh, she's perfectly fine." As they walked out the door, I heard the vet mutter to her assistant, "It's so NICE to have a cat that's NOT a basketball." !!
...//... Often we don't like the way we look... and yet a doctor would say we're healthy. Often we're so discouraged that we are not "perfect Christians" -- or we believe criticism by other people ... and yet God encourages us anyway. Only HIS opinion matters.

September 28, 2012 at 7:24am ·

Looked at the sky and found myself muttering, "I SURE hope You don't give us rain today, God. I hate driving in Your rain." OOPS. Better go back to studying Psalm 106 and 107. **Poor God, He does SO much for us and then we complain. Psalm 107:31**, praise the LORD for His goodness and wonderful works!

September 29, 2012 at 7:04pm ·

HUMOR POST

I am researching production CDs... Kingdom advertises a Gold Master CD that -- quote -- **"Lasts up to est. 300 years."** I wonder if the company's *great-great-great-etc-grand-employees* will honor complaints and REFUND requests??! ...//.. Thanking God that **His promises really CAN be trusted forever!** P.S. - the company guarantees that I can return the CDs up **until the year 2082**... better keep that receipt!

October 2, 2012 at 7:16am ·

Intriguing how forgotten things drift suddenly into awareness. This morning's memory flotsam: While earning my master's degree, I was "bored" and took a course in Braille transcription. No reason at all I can think of for such an awakening thought! ..//... Except perhaps that it was God's PARABLE for me... reminding me of **John 14:26 -- Jesus's promise that when we need to remember God's Word** or have His wisdom, the Holy Spirit will "bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you." We don't have to fearfully practice "*lest we fail to remember*".... No fears about knowing the "right words" when humbly asking God's help. **Which results in God's Peace -- that's 14:27 !**

October 4, 2012 at 8:16am ·

Awoke with dream of being in large Bible study. Everyone intently studying scriptures about scary things to come (I don't remember which scriptures). I finally said to leader, 'Why do we care about these? You skipped verse 1 -- it *clearly* says this was just a dream.' He simply looked at me and I suddenly knew the answer. **Joel 2:28 and Acts 2:17.... God speaks through dreams still.** I got up, made my cats happy feeding them, and glanced at Michelle's gift book that I'd left near their dish: Mike Bickle's "Growing in the Prophetic". Like an **Amen**.

October 8, 2012 at 6:33pm · Lancaster, PA ·

at Mennonite Information Center & Biblical Tabernacle Reproduction.

This is one of my favorite places to visit! It makes so many things in Old Testament easier to understand -- and N.T. verses about sacrifice, too! We can visually see the measurements and colors and textures and spacing that seem so confusing when we just read the words in God's Bible, of God's very particular instructions on HOW TO BUILD the tabernacle.... which Paul calls a SHADOW of the Tabernacle to come....

Wednesday, October 10, 2012 at 5:02am

No accident that this is the day I decided on posting lyrics for God's song idea **"GOD IS**

ABLE BUT". Such a comfort it is, knowing God already proved His love by sending Jesus, and can be trusted "in anything".... a reminder God knew before this morning that I would need later today. A self-reminder that "God is able to solve all my problems BUT I'll still praise God if He does not..."

Song LINK >> <http://dianadeeosbornesongs.com/Songs-2008-2012.php>

October 17, 2012 at 7:37am ·

The concept behind this morning's blog on the lullaby **NEVER ALONE** still makes me laugh. The song was inspired in a restaurant. As usual, the greeter asked "Just one today?" On this day when I'd been feeling much misery and pounding intense feelings, I quietly responded, "No, God is with me -- but He doesn't need a seat." (We both laughed!) -- YOU ARE *NEVER* ALONE. God promised! End of Matthew 28 is ONLY ONE PLACE. Song LINK >> <http://dianadeeosbornesongs.com/Songs-2008-2012.php>

October 29, 2012 at 8:10am ·

Sometimes I wonder why churches don't join in announcing to the world that they are praying together that God will keep a storm like Sandy safely over the sea. Are we afraid God "won't come through"? I think of "The Message" version of Isaiah 48:6 as God says "You have ALL this EVIDENCE confirmed by your own eyes and ears. Shouldn't you be talking about it? And that was just the beginning...." Evidences of God's doings for His Name's sake (vs 9 & 11), left unshared.

October 31, 2012 at 7:39am · **intriguing pattern riddle:**

The First sin described in Bible is the same as last sin listed in Bible.

What is it? ... Hint - nothing to do with fruit! Starts with a snake lying about God.....

<<ANSWER: Rev 22:15's Sins list, "But outside *are* dogs and sorcerers and sexually immoral and murderers and idolaters, and **whoever loves and practices a lie.**" AND of course Genesis 3, the serpent lying to say that God lies. Which I personally and with logic & scriptures to support the idea, believe is the actual UNFORGIVEABLE SIN – TO call the Holy Spirit as evil as Satan. Mark 3:22–30 and Matthew 12:22–32.

November 6, 2012 at 7:59am ·

Can an ordinary 26 year old change the world? In 1904, Evan Roberts in Wales began fervently praying for revival. God honored his prayer to serve, and in 6 months 100K people found joy & peace in Jesus Christ. Thousands went to mission fields to help others. **"Only" is NOT a word fitting anyone who gives himself or herself to God:** Philippians 4:13, we can do ALL things through Christ Jesus THE Lord -- He strengthens us. [source: Henry Blackaby, "Holiness", pg 13]

November 9, 2012 at 7:35am

Wise Facebook & email & etc users know that **the moment we hit ENTER or SEND, our words can be retrieved for decades. There's no UN-DO.** Media

reports how long our words can be used in a courtroom. Permanent words are old news tho-- Jesus's Truth in Matthew 12:36 & 37. Lying words are first & last sins described in Bible. But unlike for Facebook etc, our words CAN be deleted by God when we humbly ask: PSALM 103 esp vs 12 is a JOY! As far as east is from west, God will cast away & forget stupid words we confess. Yet our words can KEEP HURTING other people.... and can keep US looking foolish or Mean or "etc" to other people. IF ONLY Facebook & email would do the same. It's like **trying to get that toothpaste back into the tube....**

November 19, 2012 · **PSALM 139 IN MOTION:**

AMAZING: A picture began circulating in November 2002. It should be "The Picture of the Year," or perhaps, "Picture of the Decade." RESEARCH BY DianaDee Osborne: Michael Clancy is the photographer who snapped the REAL pictures; they are NOT photoshopped: The picture is that of a **21-week-old unborn baby** named Samuel Alexander Armas, who is being operated on by surgeon named Joseph Bruner.

The baby was diagnosed with spina bifida and would not survive if removed from his mother's womb. Little Samuel's mother, Julie Armas, is an obstetrics nurse in Atlanta. She knew of Dr. Bruner's remarkable surgical procedure.

Practicing at Vanderbilt University Medical Center in Nashville, he performs these special operations while the baby is still in the womb. During the procedure, the doctor removes the uterus via C-section and makes a small incision to operate on the baby.

The photo shows the infant's hand showing thru the incision (though the child along with mother was under anesthesia and not moving his hand). The editors titled the picture, "Hand of Hope." The mother was later quoted as saying "The photo reminds us pregnancy isn't about disability or an illness, it's about a little person" . SURGERY RESULT: Samuel was born in perfect health, the operation 100% successful.

INFO SOURCE: <https://www.snopes.com/fact-check/hand-of-hope/> verifies the above description including that this is NOT a photoshopped photo but actual capture.

November 16, 2012 at 10:44am ·

Been missing my daddy a lot lately. Came out of COSTCO store the other day and tears clutched in my throat as I saw an older man. His face and smile and build were SO much like Daddy's. He even walked the same. I trudged to my distant parking spot in deep sorrow. But as I turned the van key, I was suddenly engulfed in laughter. My father who stood Fast for decades about the *stupidity* of thinking God would create one color to have more value than any other would have been so pleased -- so amused:) It had taken me awhile to realize that the man who looked like Daddy was of another race.....

ADDED on date in 2017: Cannot *believe* that was 5 years ago... With the help of this "journal" note, I remember it "like yesterday"... Example of why I keep journals... To remember not just events but ideas God gives for Bible studies & to be used for future songs..... **Thanking Him for the idea to *start* journaling – taking care of memories including of children, & of GOD's ideas – way back, decades ago.**

November 24, 2013 at 4:55pm ·

Again the remembrances of sadness of 22 Nov 1963 mostly overlooked the death that day of another person who changed 1000s of lives, including those not yet born... He, C.S. Lewis, changed my life after I read the NARNIA tales as required college reading. Never before had considered>> The lion that cared so much for those children of fiction reflected **a real Lion of Judah who deeply loves each of us**. Through C.S. Lewis's fiction, I found more understanding of the Bible. "LOGIC!" said the Professor half to himself. "Why don't they teach LOGIC at these schools? There are only 3 possibilities. Either your sister is telling LIES, or she is MAD, or she is telling the TRUTH. You know she doesn't tell lies and it is obvious that she is not mad. For the moment then and unless any further evidence turns up, we must assume that she is telling the TRUTH." — C.S. Lewis, The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe

December 7, 2012 at 1:57pm ·

The birds are back today. Even tho I forgot to re-fill feeders for a week. Some birds have distinctive marks, like the 3 male cardinals with odd black feathers. They're not just new birds that lucked out on a Full Bird-feeder Day. As I watch, I'm both amazed and humbled to realize: These birds are smarter than I am in this- They keep returning to look for food from an undependable provider... //... The encouraging Word seed that I starve for and God provides is always there. **I just need to keep returning.** James 4:7-8.

December 13, 2012 at 12:13am ·

I reminded a friend of Psalm 46:10, but "stillness" is a matter of the heart; we can be still with God while serving to help His hurting people. Reminding myself, amid the Christmas Season when we celebrate the Son of God CALLING us to "go do something" -- see the end of Matthew 28, what we call "The Great Commission". C.S. Lewis wrote in "Mere Christianity"-- "It may be hard for an egg to turn into a bird: it would be a jolly sight harder for it to learn to fly while remaining an egg. We are like eggs at present. And you cannot go on indefinitely being just an ordinary, decent egg. **We must be hatched or go bad.**" (sorta like First Corinthians 3:1 on says.)

END of 2012 PARABLES