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## **YEAR 2017**      **FALL PARABLES IN LIFE**

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October 1 at 8:36am · Photo of plump cat sleeping inside a “beehive” ball made out of same card board as scratching pads for cats.

I still laugh over a conversation 5 years ago. I took little Lea to a vet that's just for cats. After the exam, as the vet & her assistant were walking away, I remembered a question I'd planned to ask with concern: "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." !! ...//... Well, it IS a temptation to **over-bless** those we love... even pets! Thanking God He knows when it's best for us that we get a "Not Now" blessing answer!

2 October 2018 9:15 A.M.

When I was 12, I got an EXCELLENT in a major piano competition, but of course I wanted to know why I didn't get a SUPERIOR when I knew my playing and form had been flawless. The answer: No passion..... a lesson that's been quite useful for a few more decades of music love. ...//.... I think about that when I hear people complain that churches and / or musicians for the LORD in church have no passion for Him... Is it a matter of insufficient practice? (See 1st Chronicles 25, working to increase skills.) Or a focus on "looking good"? Or a FEAR of mistakes that creates that focus?..... As a music leader for many years, I have often suggested:

PRACTICE as hard as you can during choir or band "practice"....

and WORSHIP with all your Heart for God during Worship Time.....

Paying attention in timing & notes etc to your leader, of course!

October 2 at 8:38pm ·

Coming back from studio in the city today, took 4-lane "back road" to avoid I-95: Car to my right decided to drift into my lane, so I braked gently & he eventually moved back--then raced ahead. Meanwhile, driver behind me got MAD that I dared slow him down! He raced around me, pulled in front, then slowed to 30 (in 45) to annoy me-- & hurting his own rush!

BUT I just laughed :) >> If he'd been paying attention, he would've seen that my few moments delaying him **SAVED him at LEAST 1/2 hour** waiting for police had the other car hit me right in front of him... and I wasn't in a bit of hurry.//... YET: Isn't that EXACTLY what we're tempted to do with God: Get MAD when He slows us down, not blessing as we prayed... when HE sees that delaying us saves us sadness!

October 3 at 9:21pm ·

**Riddle: What's the LINK?> William Wilberforce of England & the topic of Sabbath?**

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W.W. struggled for years to convince British peoples that slavery was wrong.  
**Their common answer: "But we've always had it".** ...//.. Matches a lot of "always have" in History. Including Q of the Sabbath being changed to Sunday.

It's Past Time to \*STOP BLAMING\* "The Catholic Church" for decisions of the past... Instead: \*Today\* be LIKE the BEREANS: Seek Truth diligently. (Acts 17)... Build on scriptures-- not "**Tradition**"... Jeremiah 16:19 is intriguing prayer: O LORD, my strength and my fortress, My refuge in the day of affliction, The Gentiles shall come to You From the ends of the earth and say,  
"Surely **our fathers have inherited lies**, Worthlessness and unprofitable things."  
JAMES 1:5... Pray for Wisdom, & God **will** Answer....

October 4 at 10:30am ·

The State Fair is always fun for watching people as well as learning things... like hogs can't read the sign that they're supposed to race. :) Enjoyed the different music styles from 25 miles from my husband's high school... versus (Not so much) the disorganized-sounding "hard rock" band-- and I do love super hard rock bands like Seventh Day Slumber... So MANY kinds of food there, it was amazing! And mostly greasy; I ate my package of rice+beans! ... //....

So fascinating to see how different we people are... Yet God loves us each, even inspired within us some very **very** different dreams.... like BlueGrass versus Grunge Rock sounds: Each can be used to attract people to His words, Truth.

October 4 at 9:50pm - Romans 14:13 is SAD: "resolve this, not to put a stumbling block or a cause to fall in our brother's way." >> Jews think Jesus taught people that he ended the law, so they refuse to listen to any of his teachings out of fear YHWH will punish them after all His years of punishment for dishonoring His Sabbath laws and Isaiah 66 etc pork laws.... Really:

**What harm is it for Christians to avoid pork, & avoid working Friday sundown to Saturday sundown, anyway? for the sake of being able to witness about Jesus as Savior to His People the Jews??... **We SAY we'd do "anything" to tell people about their Messiah... God's laws were made for our good. Why do we fight so hard against them???** (Of COURSE *keeping* laws does not "save" us; shows that we respect God, though.)**

Isaiah 66:22 is still FUTURE: "**when** new heavens & the new earth" come... So is verse 23: When God Himself still calls Day 7 "Sabbath" & people COME WORSHIP Him: '*And it shall come to pass that from one New Moon to another, and from one Sabbath to another, all flesh shall come to worship before Me,*' says the LORD."

October 5 at 10:13am · PHOTO = a Searching "This Mac" screen capture.

Funny comments on Facebook after Windows skipped from Version 8 straight to V.10 included: "Haven't they noticed that it's the \*ODD\* ones that work... and they SKIPPED it!"... Windows 10 HAS had problems! ;) I use it on my laptop (can't afford Mac laptop)... but I love my Music Studio workstation's Mac. Its SEARCH engine is WOW. I was struggling to remember which of many songs I'd recorded back in 2011 had JUST a specific lyrics line in it. \*Not a chance\* of finding it on PC. Went to my Mac: Found the 5 words INSIDE a doc in \*seconds\*...//...

**VERY scary to remember God can search me even easier & know my every thought better than I myself can remember.** Jeremiah 17:10. But AMAZING: He loves me **anyway**. Loves us EACH anyway. WOW.

October 6 at 2:34pm ·

A new college freshman, I walked a mile to church each Sunday August thru Oct: No one (I mean NO one) **ever** spoke to me. When the preacher (big church) shook hands after service: He never made eye contact. EVER: Smiled, but looked to next person. So hey, I had plenty of other things to do... & Quit, despite having gone to a service weekly for 17 years.

Guess it was a New Year's Resolution to go back, so in Jan I picked a Big Baptist church. 1/4 full each week, only one family talked to me-- AND gave me a ride 1 mile back to college each Sunday. Services were a BIT bigger than this cartoon video.

But then EASTER SERVICE came: 3 choirs, TV cameras, everyone clapping & singing loud, VERY different from normal. I wasn't "mad", I was **FURIOUS** at "The Show". .....And I left "Church" for 2 years.

Point: PLEASE look at your church from a Stranger's perspective. You never know when its coldness will be the Breaking Point when a visitor decides to Quit Church... or a regular come-r like I was...

LINK to "Easter Sunday vs Regular Sunday" at Over the Top Humor Videos>  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XrfQ60ipIM8&feature=youtu.be&list=PL66Mv2cbKAFiyBu01FBdj7bG2LVWzdfQv>

October 6 at 8:56pm ·

A new friend had just moved to the DC area from a desert state. She expressed deep disappointment as we gathered for a church Bible Study right after a light rainstorm: Everyone was exclaiming, "Oh, did you see that GORGEOUS rainbow on the way here?!" She said "I didn't see it. I've seen pictures, but I've never seen a real rainbow."...//.... She KNEW of course rainbows exist. Is it not ASTOUNDING?: Technology has shown us microbiology critters & astronomy galaxies that once no one

believed existed... **Yet so many humans still declare "I won't believe in a God unless I see Him."...**

**7 October 2017.** Yesterday at 8:31am · at SUKKOT camping:

The full silver moon came up in early evening and lit the sky til the edge of dawn this morning... as it **always** does in the 7th month of God's calendar. Cool beauty for the specific week EACH week for CENTURIES during the week God told people to \*celebrate\* & \*remember\* Him, during the Feast of Tabernacles, also called Sukkot. Leviticus 23 is reflected when Jesus & disciples went to mountain & they asked Him about building a tent (aka tabernacle): Matthew 17:4. FULL MOON: Light of God.

October 8 at 9:15pm - GREAT PHOTO of old man & woman passing, walking slowly on sidewalk in opposite directions – but the long morning shadows on wall show a young woman and man dancing like Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers.

**NOSTALGIA:** Is there a ONE among us who doesn't want a **DO-OVER** for something past that we'd like to "do better this time"? OR... a lovely period of life we yearn to have back & never shall? Ahh, how I dearly miss having all our children at home (despite the chaos :) )... or teaching the H.S./College youth again: I love their honesty & ideas!... God actually COMFORTS us in His Bible about it! > I flipped without a plan into Bible, found Ecclesiastes 5:19-20, "...[to] rejoice in his labor—this is the gift of God. For he will not dwell unduly on the days of his life, because God keeps him busy with the joy of his heart."...//...

God comforts us when we're sad about our Past being Passed... "Peace I Give You..." -- Jesus, John 14:27. Peace that passes all understanding." -GOD thru Philippians 4:7.

October 9 at 6:55am - with photo by Bim Ingersoll (*see next post*): Shows old woman with smile & hair bun standing in front of her organ with a rifle over her shoulder and the caption, "Wilma quiets the congregation for her Prelude."

POST: ... a rather stronger version of a musician's thoughts after hours of practice for worship music :) ... Thought I'd share a smile with y'all "who understand" ;) I've never even *considered* such, of course: But it IS funny - every once in awhile (in a 'mood') --

**to suddenly stop playing and then watch people suddenly realize how loud they sound from trying to talk above the prelude music** that's supposed to draw people's focus to PREPARE their hearts for worshipping our LORD.

October 9 at 6:46am · Cartoon of GLADYS with electric guitar in front of Marshall stack of amps, caption: *After 50 years as the church organist, Gladys made a genuine effort to adjust to the new worship format. CREDIT (seldom given): Bim Ingersoll*

I'm highly amused when people assume that because I'm older, my "style" is *sweet, soft praise music*. I love their reaction when I say I spend much of my time at music festivals at the **hip hop & hard rock stages**... It's funny when they listen to a

song & say "YOU recorded that style?!"... Of course it helps having fantastic Drummer & bass player and the amazing lead guitar (both credited on my website [www.DianaDeeOsborneSongs.com](http://www.DianaDeeOsborneSongs.com) .... **PARABLE:** Isn't it **\*\*SO\*\*** cool that The LORD knows exactly how we think! AND LIKES being with us, hearing us talk with Him (AKA "pray").... But He also wants US to not judge others based on our expectations of how people "like that" must think. **CARTOON CREDIT** (seldom given): Bim Ingersoll

My added COMMENT LATER: For those who don't get Bim's joke (the cartoonist) of the Marshall **style** amps being called **MarSHill**.... That's where Paul gave his famous sermon in Athens thru which God reached 1000s of people with His Truth: Acts 17:22 (on)... Great SIMPLE outline as we seek to share God's gospel

October 10 at 12:29pm · PHOTO OF OPEN BIBLE says, "*Hey Satan, we read the back of the book. and guess what ... .. you lose.*"

People love to "mock-ingly" declare what this picture says. Forgetting: **Satan** has read it, too. **That just makes him all the MORE in a rush to try to deceive** as many of us as he can so that we whom God loves will be destroyed (John 10:10a, the less-quoted half).... Ephesians 6's end is about wearing God's weapons in CONSTANT readiness... as Satan mocks back all who think they're safe without daily putting on God's gift as God warns.... Satan's strategy is to bring you many battles between Now and Then. Eph. 6:12- WRESTLING against dark powers.

COMMENT 10-10-2017 to a post that "If we leave our heart open to Jesus, He won't have to knock to ask to be let it."

Me: Amusing timing to see your post: Today I drafted lyrics to PORCH LIGHT PRAYER, based on back when our grandparents would invite people to "come over any time-- I always leave the porch light on for you!".... and the parable to

**Leave our "porch light" to our heart open to the LORD. :)**

**VERSE 3** -- full song draft lyrics on Website:

<https://dianadeeosbornesongs.com/FUTURE--P-R.php>

Porch .... Light of my heart's ON. .... ALWAYS for God.

"Come in with me" invites my ..... soul to God. .... My invite stays though I'm dismayed My sins have left my place a mess.

It's NO JOKE, I HATE my sins: I wish my home were clean. But

My heart's open to You, LORD, Please cleanse it of sins..... My

Heart's porch light is ALWAYS ON for You, God, Yahweh!... **WELCOME!**

Oct 11, 2017 8:21am

Solomon was a BIOLOGY TEACHER: After we learn that he wrote 3,000 proverbs and 1,005 SONGS (of interest to us musicians!), God inspired the First Kings 4 writer to tell us: "**He described trees, from the cedar in Lebanon to the hyssop growing out of the wall. He also taught about animals, birds, reptiles, and**

**fish."** -- Verses 32-33... ALL wisdom being from God, of course... a Truth that reminds us to be humble!

COMMENT added LATER: October 12 at 8:37am Job 38- BIOLOGY (geology, astronomy, zoology....) as God starts His answer to ALL of us, also >> "Who is this that questions my wisdom with such ignorant words? ...

***Where were YOU when I laid the foundations of the earth?*** TELL ME, IF YOU KNOW SO MUCH! Who determined its dimensions & stretched out the surveying line? What supports its foundations, & who laid its cornerstone as the morning stars sang together & all the angels shouted for joy?" [NLT]

**11 November 2017.** PHOTO: *Picture of little girl with words "The most dangerous place for an African American is in the womb.*

QUOTE of Dr. Alveda King, niece of Martin Luther King, Jr. >>

"They great irony is that abortion has done what the Klan only dreamed of... Roughly 1/3 of the black population is now missing."

Not only those children aborted... but by now, all **THEIR** children who would have been born to them and even grandchildren & future great-grands.... a heart breaking truth for those who believe-- no, who KNOW that ALL lives have always mattered.....

COMMENT 10-11-2017 to someone asking what's a 1/8th note with a line thru the flag:

ME: I tell my bass students that if they hit the wrong note & quickly move to the right one fast, there's literally a music notation that makes it All Right: The Grace note. They get the Pun & God's parable. That's what you have: A GRACE note:)

October 12 at 6:10pm

**Today = TRUE Columbus Day...** Were you taught?>> God guided events to this Land of America at EXACTLY when His people Israel, "the Jews", needed to ESCAPE from all the murders of them being done overseas in the name of Christ... including during the Spanish Inquisition when Jews were given 24 hours to (1) convert, (2) get out of Spain, or (die)...

\*REMEMBER MOSUL just months ago\*? Same as radical Muslims said...The DATE of that Decree of Murder was only 7 MONTHS before Columbus found this place of REFUGE: >> "Ferdinand and Isabella issued an edict on March 31, 1492 that gave Jews the choice of exile or deny their faith in God-named-YHWH by baptism. 160,000 Jews found safety because GOD guided them to homes in America after COLUMBUS SAILED THE OCEAN BLUE IN... **1492**. <https://www.britannica.com/topic/Spanish-Inquisition>

**POST 13 October 2017** about 7:15 AM. 37 mins ·

Feeling Weary? Many reasons to feel worn down-- these days Facebook is often discouraging too, EVEN WHILE having the potential of being a great communication

tool for serving God.... Great reasons to IGNORE our weary feelings & focus on God's Truth! > Psalm 36:8 shows PROMISE of Jeremiah 31:25 beginning at 23a "Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel:..."

**"For I have SATIATED** <filled to the FULL-est!> **the weary soul, and I have REPLENISHED** every sorrowful soul." ... We have only to call out to Him &, like the Prodigal Son's father, & like in James 4:8--- **He RUNS to us.**

October 13 at 3:37pm ·

This is sad... T just wrote a very good, very short summary of how Jesus ended the "LORD's PRAYER" example (Matt 6 & 18; Mark 11).... That God offers NO EXCUSES for us to refuse to forgive each person for each thing done against us... and THEN T.'s post got *swamped* with people declaring *all sorts of Theology about God & Forgiveness...* not the topic. Just moments after I typed ENCOURAGEMENT about his accuracy, but before I hit "Enter" >> T. gave up & not only hid his post, but left Facebook (FB 'couldn't find' him)...

Like my post early this AM says: We have many reasons to feel worn down, **INCLUDING Facebook. Take courage**, rest, & return to **Serve in any way God calls!**

October 13 at 11:54pm · **watching TV movie**

I was a child when my Dad 'treated' us to a rare movie theater trip... I still remember the trauma... Have NEVER again seen PAST the Wedding Scene which is now playing on TV, at 11:55 PM... not sure I'll have courage to, tonight, either...//..

I wonder if the little children actors in that movie-- now in their 50s-- feel the pain of remembering being in FIDDLER ON THE ROOF... And that was JUST the re-enactment that "ended better" than "real life" for most who suffered... and for their children today in their 50s & 60s:

I met one this week on the campground, whose father created Richmond Virginia's Holocaust Museum as his way of teaching what I NEVER learned in school... Surely God is heartbroken by both evil cruelty & its repeats in various "forms" of death & injustice.....

PHOTO: Wedding tradition refs **"His Banner over me is LOVE"**, Song of Solomon 2:4.

October 14 at 8:15am ·

PHOTO: Man diving into dragon-like cave pile of gold and treasures: "What matters most to you shows the Most ABOUT you." -- a new bank commercial with an ancient Truth from God Himself.

"Better is a little with the fear of the LORD, Than great TREASURE with trouble." (Proverbs 15:16). PEACEFUL PEOPLE trust God to provide all needs-- They don't accumulate TREASURE of gold, jewels, cars, mansions or big houses as "Joys in Life". Besides- these give more to \*FEAR\* of Loss, WORK to CLEAN or take care of, & use our precious TIME. "For where your TREASURE is, there your heart will be also." - JESUS, quoted twice: Matthew 6:21 and Luke 12:34 PATTERN 1-2-3-4.

October 15 at 6:26am 51 mins

Awoke this cold AM, was startled as I walk out bedroom door barefooted & stepped on WARM floor. Realized: My huge Maine Coon cat had been sleeping there, waiting for me to awaken. (Wisely moving as I opened door :) ....

Sweet reminder of a prayer God guided me to put into song, based on Bill Watterson's strip: Hobbes awaken Calvin early in AM. At first Calvin is grumpy until he realizes Hobbes is excitedly speaking of all that they can do together now that Calvin AWAKE! Calvin jumps up with excitement, and he comments, "It's hard to be mad at someone who MISSES you while you're asleep." My Prayer: May our Lord Jesus find JOY in my Awakening each morning!

FREE AUDIO & MUSIC SHEETS at <https://dianadeeosbornesongs.com/Songs-2008-2012.php>

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**AWAKENING FRIENDS by DianaDee Osborne VERSE 1:**

JESUS, I yearn to be such a good friend to You that when You watch me sleep,  
You look forward to when I'll awaken and look forward to when I first speak to you,  
Jesus, for You're my dear Friend. Jesus, HELP me be Your friend.

**VERSE 2**

Awaken my love for You more and more so I won't cause You more hurt, my dear Friend.  
I look forward to when I'll awaken and once again praise and worship Your name.  
Jesus, for You're my dear Friend. Jesus, HELP me be Your friend.

**VERSE 3**

Help me to NOT love You JUST for Your blessings, though they all amaze me, as does Your Love!  
Help me be YOUR friend, that when I awake, my first thought is of You,  
eager to be with You, Jesus.... Jesus, for You're my dear Friend. Jesus, HELP me be Your friend.

*SPOKEN: Jesus said, "No longer do I call you servants, for a servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you FRIENDS, for all things that I have heard from My Father I have made known to you." ---Jesus in John 15, verse 15. [all in New King James Version]*

**Song Story.** These lyrics were written in six... 6... minutes, as an actual prayer closet prayer. Remember: I mention that not to brag on 'me' but as exciting example of Jesus's words in Matthew 6:6, of the adventure and joy of spending time with our God. May our Lord Jesus find JOY in our Awakening each morning!

The original inspiration for the song concept was a Calvin & Hobbes cartoon strip I had read the day before - Bill Watterson, IT'S A MAGICAL WORLD, Andrews and McNeel, ©1996, pg 37.



October 16 at 10:52am ·

Looked at billowing gray clouds blanketing sky, & grumbled-- as a friend often does with a friend-- "LORD, this is the 3rd morning on the beach without a sunrise." And then it seems I heard a LAUGH-- as a friend to a friend-- "The sun DID rise. You just couldn't see it :) " ...

On Wrightsville Beach, NC, the Holy Spirit inspired song ALWAYS THE SUN... with simple LOGIC: (1) The sun rises EVEN when we don't see it. And (2) God is with us who truly love Him EVEN when we don't "see" Him. (3) Fact don't change with our VIEW. As the chorus concluded, repeatedly: ALWAYS THE SON is here. Matt 28; Hebrews 13:5. Deut 31:6-8 >> God's promise across centuries. Num 23:19 > God CANNOT lie! AUDIO LINK>>

<http://dianadeeosbornesongs.com/.../2010to20.../AlwaysTheSun.mp3> - with lyrics on 2008-2012 tab at [DianaDeeOsborneSongs.com](http://DianaDeeOsborneSongs.com) (free downloads).

COMMENT 10-17-2017.

First Kings 19 is one of God's "compassion" comforts for us... evidence that He Understands when we're down & even angry at Him, ready to give up... evidence that He doesn't "zap" us for lack of faith (especially after having proved Himself to Elijah just hours before), but instead provides our simple needs until our bodies & 'heart' are ready to 'go' again... May you soon find joy in realizing all the people you have helped for the LORD thru your Facebook ministry alone... people who care about you, pray for you amid "everything"... share in sadness & in comfort: 2nd Corinthians 1: 2-4.

October 17 at 6:13pm

My mind's been SO exhausted all day... but I made myself go to gas station tonite: Was down to only 40 miles left on tank. Hospital is 35 miles away. There are NO stations during a 18-mile "country stretch"... So:

Forced myself to do what I was too tired to do, "just in case".... The consequences of NOT could be terrifying: We've found from experience...//..

In Ephesians 6's end, God tells us the same: We don't \*expect\* to need His weapons of defense against "Satan's flaming arrows", but must "keep our tank filled" >> pray & remind ourselves each day of God's Word: "Just in case." The consequences of NOT could be terrifying...

October 18 at 9:16am

Sadly bemusing yet ENCOURAGING words for pastors and church leaders-- and those who seek to serve God thru a Facebook ministry. >> Jesus had barely begun his ministry (including feeding thousands and healing people)... and YET by John 7:12's time, already "There was much complaining among the people concerning Him." 1 fact: in **6:66 (fascinating number)** many **gossiped** against & left Him.... so: *Take Heart!*

Jesus was perfect and **yet** people complained! Which proves He knows first-hand how you may sometimes feel. **Exactly what Hebrews 12:3 encourages!**

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October 19 at 11:00pm ·

A wonderful river spot I found & call "Still Waters" (song title) yields not only peace, but some "good shows" watching inexperienced people bring their boats in. Today I was watching the geese fly & not paying attention til I heard two long "screeeeech"-es..... No kidding: The couple's little boy said as they finally pulled the boat up & away from concrete side of ramp, **"Don't worry, boat: You don't have to scream anymore."**.... //....

When annoyed by struggles, it's interesting to ponder what others are thinking of us as they observe. Keeps down "bad words" too, though hopefully we'll never inspire "screaming boats" ideas! .....>>

STILL WATERS audio link, with music sheets and Lyrics page available at [DianaDeeOsborneSongs.com](http://DianaDeeOsborneSongs.com) >> (Tab 2008-2012) >>  
<http://dianadeeosbornesongs.com/media/2010to2012SONGS/StillWaters.mp3>

VERSE 1:

Here I am, God, beside still waters.  
Here You are, God, right beside me.  
You, God, lead me beside still waters.  
I'll follow You wherever You lead: Psalm 23, verse 2.

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October 20 at 7:15pm

God the Creator built it into our beings to look at nature and see Designs rather than Chance. Atheists have to fight hard to try to "prove" that a God they don't want to believe in doesn't exist. Romans 1's end>>

Each day we get an exciting "new page" of Creation. Tonight's special "show" includes meteor showers expected in clear autumn skies late starting after midnight: <http://www.npr.org/.../orionid-meteor-shower-will-peak-overni...>

October 21 at 9:14am ·

Some of the best expressions of thoughts are not in Philosophy or Poetry but "fiction"... From the Original STAR TREK, Requiem for Methuselah (Season 3 almost last episode 'ever', ironically released on Valentine's Day: February 14, 1969)>> >> "What is LONELINESS?" .... "It is thirst. It is a flower dying in the desert." ..... Some people understand better than others.... COMFORT:

Psalm 38:8 NKJV "The LORD is near to those who have a broken heart, and saves such as have a contrite spirit."

Psalm 147 interpretation: He who knows each STAR's name certainly knows YOURS!.. and He cares about you..... 3 "He heals the brokenhearted And binds up their wounds. 4 He counts the number of the stars; He calls them all by name."

Psalm 63:1 My soul thirsts for Thee, my flesh longs for Thee, in a dry and thirsty land, where is no water."

Isaiah 43: 19 "Behold I will do a new thing, now it shall spring forth. Shall ye not know it? I will even make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert."

October 26 at 10:45am Jesus was SAYING **HE was God**, Who is the **only one** who can fulfill **ISAIAH 49:10's** PROPHECY... John 4:14 = "but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst. But the water that I shall give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up into everlasting life." Isaiah 49:10 = "They shall neither hunger nor thirst, Neither heat nor sun shall strike them; For He who has mercy on them will lead them, Even by the springs of water **He will guide them.**"

October 22 at 7:13am

Awoke to find open Bible under my head; guess I fell asleep FAST last night! Laughed at sudden 'ancient' memory: In High School one night before an exam, I was desperate enough to try what some friends told me... that if you use the textbook as a pillow, you subconsciously absorb info in your sleep. Didn't work! ?... Doesn't for the Bible either. But unlike for physics texts, WE have Jesus's promise in John 14:26>> When we pray (sincerely), the Holy Spirit helps us remember what He said. Leading to vs 27, PEACE. And James 1:5, WISDOM.

COMMENT same night: Many of God's scriptures are comforting, like lullabies a father uses to help a child rest... As long as we do indeed seek to study His word like the Bereans did (Acts 17), I think He's pleased when we also use His words for comfort... Like **PSALM 8 STORM SLEEPING** that we recorded awhile back, AUDIO LINK (free) > <http://dianadeeosbornesongs.com/.../Psalm4StormSleeping.mp3> ... on PSALMS tab > <http://dianadeeosbornesongs.com/PSALMS-and-Prophets.php>

October 24 at 9:41am

Wonderful dream of people \*welcoming\* me to their group, smiling, encouraging.... Later after I'd been gone awhile, they were concerned & checked up on me... Such a LOVELY feeling of being "cherished", cared about... Awoke slowly, still enjoying... til I began wondering if this was God's dream to observe **what a CULT begins like**..... as compared to most churches where members can be gone for WEEKS without being "missed"... Has happened to me (several churches)... & more sadly, to my mom whose church hasn't contacted her for 5 years since she began being too sad to go "for a few weeks" & then **no one ever showed care**.... For FIVE years for an elderly woman who was faithful to church ALL her life.. Are we "open" to God's thoughts to write or call "missing" persons?

Exactly how DO we in "CHURCH" show "the love of God"?

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October 24 at 8:53pm · PHOTO: Nothing can stop the blessing of God in your life. What God has blessed, no one can curse.

If you are not sure why God is not "blessing results" in your life, yet you've prayed & prayed for wisdom AND are willing to change if you knew that's what God wanted.... Just keep on DOING. God will let you know when the next Turn Lane comes up in your path. James 1:5, Proverbs 3:5-6, let Him direct your paths.... Or just keep walking til He nudges you in another direction.

October 25 at 10:01am

It's become REALLY hard to truly enjoy fruits & flowers of God's Creation because of all the fake air fresheners & soaps imitating them.... No fair when the fragrance of fresh lemonade reminds me of doing dishes ?...//...

2nd Corinthians 2:15, "WE are to God the fragrance of Christ among" people. QUESTION: Do We actually STINK to seekers of Truth who are turned off by people who use His wonderful Name-- but show attitudes that reveal "fake smells", NOT God's??

God's FULL scripture passage re HIS Fragrance that we are to share: 2 Corin 2: 14-17, 14 Now thanks be to God who always leads us in triumph in Christ, and **through us diffuses the fragrance of His knowledge in every place.** 15 For **WE** are to God the fragrance of Christ **AMONG** those who are being saved and **AMONG** those who are PERISHING. 16 To the one we are the aroma of death leading to death, and to the other the AROMA OF LIFE leading to life.

And who is sufficient for these things? 17 For we are not, as so many, peddling the word of God; but as of sincerity, but as from God, we speak in the sight of God in Christ." ....

**REAL life... not fake flowers, however beautiful they look from a *distance*!**

October 26 at 8:55am ·

a "sermon never heard": The # of years to build the Ark is a "foolish dispute" (Titus 3:9). Whatever the #.... As that MASSIVE boat got built, it's "human" that people mocked at first... But don't you wonder?? >> **As people clearly saw the Ark nearing completion (or heard of it), surely they must have WONDERED if anything would happen at the end?.....** Surely mocking got more "nervous" when the final roof boards began to be put in place?..... Matthew 24: We're watching the "final roof boards" set ups needed for Prophecy quickly falling into place even within just the last 10 years.... Like Revelation 11:9's req't to see the 2 prophets "news event" around the globe. YES: people mock: But we KEEP warning, Ezekiel 33: God may use us to convince some to be "nervous" enough to seek Full Truth.

Comment added later: Photo: # of BITCOIN transactions per MONTH... I personally am fascinated by the possibility of BITCOINS being the universal monetary system that can prevent people from "buying or selling in the marketplace" (Rev 13:17)... esp when I can return something bought 3 months ago without a receipt

because the store can look up EXACTLY everything I've paid for there with my credit card... Not so with bitcoins. ("They" say.) ....

Comment added later: November 2 at 9:18pm Doing some research, it's so silly that people are "prophesying" that bitcoins might be "the mark of the beast" .... No: That is a specific something (we don't yet know what) that people must have in order to buy food etc. .... BUT there needs to be a single currency to control. No matter what God has in mind: After all the annoying tracking of everything you buy using credit cards, I'm enjoying learning more about bitcoins even while using cash for a lot...

while we *can* use non-tracked (usually though it's possible) *cash*.

**October 27 at 9:25am** ·

Ever consider how **big** a paper Luther needed to fit a list of 95 detailed statements on it? Been reading the "95 theses" in prep for the 500-th anniversary in 4 days... Rather understandable as Shakespeare, the way words are wrapped in the grammar of the day. But Luther's #86 truly was funny... which the Pope did not appreciate. NOT FUNNY: "Indulgences are most pernicious because they induce complacency and thereby imperil salvation."...

CONSIDER people who go to church 2 hours a week & barely think of God the rest, feeling "secure" and "saved" (All week ignoring James 2)... For easier reading start with Martin Luther's OWN summary of his 3 main topics at this (secure https) LINK: Then at bottom of that page, you can click to read the full 95. >>

<https://www.uncommon-travel-germany.com/95-theses.html>

October 27 at 2:03pm

People wept & grieved over sins just like in Nehemiah 9 days during **Jonathan Edwards' sermon**... many explained, **because HE wept & BEGGED** them to choose Life obeying God-- not "just sermons" but truly CARING for their Eternal damnation & the "weeping & Gnashing teeth" (Jesus's repeated words) they would suffer because LOVING God was angry that His free gift is so lightly rejected. (Deut 29 @end for Israel, PLUS Romans 11 including the REST of us who have a choice to be Grafted *in* to God's people... His congregation... His **ekklesia** fellowship as thru the "Old" T.)

October 27 at 7:08p ·

**Why did God pick PENTECOST Day (Day #50 after Passover)** to send His Holy Spirit as a witness to PEOPLE OF ALL NATIONS? (Acts 1,2,3). Because ALL His people Israel were required to go to Jerusalem for the Festival of Weeks to bring offerings to The Temple. (See Comment 2 below for scripture info).

**Why did Martin Luther pick October 31st** to NAIL his beliefs to the church's front door?? (1) Nov 1 = required-by-the-Church day to attend services for All Saints Day. (2) **Possibly** because Luther knew Hebrew well, & knew **Nehemiah 9 is all about October 31, 445 B.C.** -- when the people had just found God's Torah... written in their own language (unlike Catholic Bible) -- and their JOYFUL response was to STAND IN

HONOR "for 3 hours while the Book of the Law of the LORD their God was read aloud to them. Then for 3 more hours they confessed their sins & worshiped YHWH the LORD their God." (NLT) ....

October 28 at 9:57am

God's TREASURE **PROMISE and PROPHECY of a Savior... Jesus / Yeshua** (in Hebrew) ... seldom noticed in Malachi 3:16b-17...

"A book of remembrance was written before Him **For those who fear the LORD** and who **meditate on His name**. 17 **"They shall be Mine,"** says the LORD of hosts, "On the day that I make them My JEWELS. **And I will spare them -- as a man spares his own son who serves him.**"

October 28 at 10:12am >> Hebrews 4, INVITED by God to His THRONE:

So Amazing!! **We are offered, if we** honor God & show it by Obedience (Malachi 3: 16-17 in last post; plus John 14 & 15, Jesus defined how to be His Friend) **DIRECT ACCESS** >> **no** human priest needed (which people didn't know, with Bibles provided only in LATIN) >> 14 "Seeing then that we have a great High Priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. 15 For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in all points tempted as we are, yet without sin.

16 Let us therefore come boldly to the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need." WHEN the Church killed people who translated God's Bible into the common language, the Church KEPT people from reading Hebrews 4 and realizing: They did NOT need Priests to pray for them.

October 29 at 7:40am

Awoke 8:20 with my cell-phone's "Time to Get Moving: leave the house for Church #2 if still at home" alarm this AM... Awwww... I'd really been looking forward to worship service at 8:30 that I usually go to before the one where I'm their musician. :( .... I **\*\*remember\*\*** clearly: I **\*\*DID\*\*** set the alarm. And DIDN'T mix up PM & AM like sometimes. **I just didn't turn it on!...//...**

That's like reading all God's loving warnings in His Bible--incl sentence AFTER "Lord's Prayer" (if you DON'T forgive trespasses, God won't forgive YOU) -- and thinking "I agree God should be obeyed" ..... but then Not Turning On our decision to Get Moving. Comment added later: TRESPASSES/ forgiveness scriptures: Matthew 6, Mark 11, Ephesians 2

Message 10-29-2017 to Jim who asked how I've been: God's literally saved my life 3x in last 17 months: Spider bite>major water around heart; Blood sepsis (~70% death rate); hard fall over sidewalk crack & 3 of us HEARD a crack when I hit my temple: But

only a black eye... \*AM\* enjoying telling everyone incl on Facebook how Great God's been!... and in songs I've written: 34 recorded since January.

October 30 at 11:33am

At Hurricane Sandy's anniversary: Ever 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? SADLY: WE KNOW THAT ANSWER: We're afraid God "won't come through" and then we'll LOOK FOOLISH for believing Him-- will feel we must EXCUSE God for "His failure". :( .... Thru "The Message" version of Isaiah 48:6, 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.

SHARED OLD POST: October 29, 2012 ·

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).

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October 31 at 7:36am

Photo of cat jumping 1/2 way up kitchen cabinet.

A game show listed toys people use to play with their cats. MULTIPLE CHOICE Q: "Which of these toys does the Veterinarian Association tell people to NOT ever use?" ANSWER is related to First Corinthians 15:57, where one of the marvelous PROMISES from God to ALL who dearly love Him is summarized-- even concerning Death!! >> "But thanks be to God, who gives us the VICTORY thru our Lord Jesus Christ." ....

ANSWER = Don't use LASER TOYS with cats because they can never win. And that hurts them. I ADD: Or at least END Game with a TREAT where the Light ends :) ...//..

**Don't be DISCOURAGED with anything around you because you can ALWAYS win, with LORD God Who SHALL give you the VICTORY** when you humble yourself to ask! .... PHOTO Credit: [mercurynews.com/2013/03/21/](http://mercurynews.com/2013/03/21/)

Comment added later at 11:02pm : "According to animal behavioral specialists, a typical cat will engage in at least 8 to 10 'hunting expeditions' a day. It goes the same for indoor cats who have no need to hunt. That's why house cats can go crazy about laser pointer toys." -- <https://petcube.com/.../is-it-bad-for-cats-to-play-with.../>

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COMMENT 31 October 2017.

Ever wonder why Luther picked Oct 31? Obviously, Nov. 1st as All Saints Day was mandatory mass, many would see. Luther as scholar also knew Oct 31, 445 B.C. was date of Nehemiah 9, when people had "FOUND" God's lost Laws (after captivity) & stood 3 hours in Respect to hear them read...+ another 3 hours of worship... >>  
[https://www.blueletterbible.org/nlt/neh/9/1/p1/s\\_422001](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nlt/neh/9/1/p1/s_422001)

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IMPORTANT COMMENT to someone pointing out how churches are **drifting** from God's Scripture truth, & asking, "Should we flee the "church"?"

ME: A parable I use a lot:

**If all the strong kids leave the playground, who will be left to defend the other children from the bullies??..... sometimes YHWH calls us to STAY (in faces) so people keep having to THINK about what His scriptures truly say..... Jeremiah 16:19, how else will church people know to even question traditions?**

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COMMENT 31 October 2017 to someone who asked "what to say"?:

Because other people bring up topic of "spirits" on Halloween, it's a great time to speak back to them about God's Truth. A FUN way to teach how there's NO CURSES for those who honor God: Sharing about how "poor **Balaam**" **tried his best to curse God's people** (Numbers 23 to 25)... But a SAD conclusion:

**Like Satan, he figured out how to get us people to "get ourselves cursed" by convincing people of the "fun" of rejecting God-- like by honoring the Occult things.** >> [https://www.blueletterbible.org/nlt/num/23/1/p1/s\\_140001](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nlt/num/23/1/p1/s_140001)

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COMMENT 10-31-2017 with Matthew 7:23, Jesus will say "*Depart from me-- I never knew you.*"..... **Me:** Because churches (in general) keep teaching the HALF-Truth that "God is LOVE LOVE LOVE", people aren't hearing the WHOLE Truth that "God is HOLY HOLY HOLY"..... Ezekiel 33 should scare them as much as this truth.

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**1 November 2017. about noon 21 hrs ·**

*Got lot of Likes.*

Awoke this morning thinking "Oh crud, it's 10 A.M." .... NOT a nice way to think of God's gift of rest, since I don't leave for work until 3 PM today anyway.

REWIND: "Oh THANK YOU God for Your wonderful sleep!"



November 2 at 8:02pm

IF DOGS COULD TALK: ....Dogs are smart (well... maybe not SOME... my red setter challenged that description! :) ... STILL, They never could **Explain** just what their owner does & why... all day, when not even at "home" with them.

**Yet here we humans are, so "SURE" of ourselves that God CANNOT be This or That because WE don't see how He possibly could be....**

Romans 1 has a key phrase: to beware lest we become "futile in [our] thoughts, & [our] foolish hearts [be] darkened." LOGIC says the dog will never be able to explain us BUT we ARE as we are. LOGIC says we humans will never be able to explain GOD-- Yet He's YHWH, "I AM" [Exodus 3:14-15]..... Proverbs warning of FOOL-ishness. >> <https://www.blueletterbible.org/search/search.cfm...>

November 3 at 8:47am

Charles Schultz's last year of Peanuts (2000) included Sally telling Charlie Brown that she'd memorized a verse for Sunday School. He asks what. She answers, " ... I forgot. Maybe it was something Moses said, or something from the Book of Re-evaluation."...//...

The Book of Revelation shows the CHARACTER of God: 2nd Peter 3:9's summary: God is **"not willing that any should perish** but that ALL should come to repentance"-- and-- John 3:17-- be SAVED. Most sermons about Revelation (a LOT with "today's news" blasting at us) focus on Promised Bad-- BUT God's THEME is of Joy!>> His promises of coming Joy if we DO re-evaluate our hearts & Turn BACK To Him. 3:20 Jesus promises, "Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If ANYone hears My voice & OPENS THE DOOR, I will come in...."

November 4 at 11:03am

AutismSpeaks. org has a \*fantastic\* animation commercial from the viewpoint of & spoken by a child... of how "ordinary" things in our world are so scary that he retreats to his safe made-up world... of how he can with help learn to deal with "the real world" while still being a precious, Valued person...//... IF WE were HONEST: **Each of us sometimes sees the world as a scary place.** We've just learned to force ourselves to go there anyway. But for me, for this time, for this sabbath rest: A cave alone with God would be quite a Home restful place....

PHOTO; videos on YouTube also: <https://www.autismspeaks.org/.../autism-speaks-and-ad-council...>

November 5 at 8:20am

I have friends who have been praying for me this past (rough!) 18 months, that God would heal me "from the top of my head to the tip of my toes". HE HAS! 3 times from \*deadly\* things!.... Was thinking of that this AM as I decided for the first time in months to wear my pierced earrings to church. Trying to put them in (a few times),

I began to ponder, "I sure hope God didn't heal my pierce holes." Then I laughed. :) ... Maybe gave Him a laugh too! After all, we ARE made in God's image:

And just looking at some of His weird-weird creatures proves He has a sense of humor!..... My favorite are **Sea Dragons that look like floating weeds!**

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November 6 at 11:54am · with photo of 2 adult giraffes checking a baby giraffe:

In zoo documentary, speaker happily described the baby critter among the herd, "He's assembled well!"... ??.. I stopped a moment. Then figured out:

Oh, he means "**assimilated**"...//..

Instantly reminded me of my annoyance at '**sanctification**', '**justification**', '**expiation**', and my "favorite" CHURCH WORD .... '**propitiation**'. (**NOT**)... Why couldn't the zoo guy just say the baby "learned to FIT IN"?

Why can't Church people just say what God means?

How many people just "turn off" seeking God because BiG **Churchese** Words are thrown at them that seem impossible to understand. **PROPITIATION** of sin? Come on! **Jesus spoke clearly.**  
That's part of **following His example!**

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November 6 at 9:24pm ·

I'd left alarm clock packed in van. Too tired to go get it at bedtime, so grabbed unused clock in other room. \*Love\* this thing! Alarm rings quietly about 5 seconds, then stops. Rings ~10 seconds, still quietly. 3rd ringer a bit louder & longer until 25 seconds but hey I can ignore that! Eventually I either casually arise or the alarm begins blaring constantly...//...

God's loving warnings are like that: Gradual at first with gentle promptings to do what's right, increasingly fervently. Til one day when we either die or Jesus returns and it's too late to get up and stop doing what was wrong --with sad consequences... not just 'missing the bus', but like missing some wonderful concert or ballgame gift of God we would have loved.

**7 November 2017**. at 8:40am ·

This was the Loud News Advertising at 9:45 PM last night: "Tune in at 10 to hear about the biggest voting turnout expected since the presidential election!!!"...//..ummmmm.... Today's the **FIRST** election since the 2016 Presidential election, people..... (And these are the people we depend on for "news"?) ... But an interesting self-test to see if we're listening enough to try to figure out what's **Trick or Truth**.

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**7 November 2017.** 11 PM. 11 hrs

God's PRAYER GUIDE for our Rough Life Battles, thru First Chronicles 29:11-12, the "Old Testament" words of caring that the LORD inspired to be written into His Book to comfort us: >>>

"YOURS, o LORD, is the greatness, the Power & the Glory, The VICTORY & the majesty; For ALL that is in heaven & in earth is Yours. Yours is the kingdom, O LORD, And You are exalted as HEAD over all. Both riches & honor come from You, and You reign over all. In YOUR hand is Power & Might; In YOUR hand it is to make great & to give STRENGTH to ALL." (New KJV)

**8 November 2017** 16 mins ·

FIRES of VARIETY: Often we SEE how God's proven His faithfulness so Clearly that we think "Yes! I'd Stand UP for His truth! EVEN IF threatened with Fire, I'll Stand-- as Shadrach & Co were. I'd Stand UP even if threatened with hungry lions-- as Daniel was. I'd Stand UP-- as even Now in 2017, people are being murdered for not declaring another so-called god as true" .//..

Yet if we're honest: We don't really Expect FIRE or Lion or beheading for our Faith in God-Named-YHWH that Denies any 'allah, etc... Yet 1st Peter 1:7 warns that FIRES will test, and in 5:8, of Satan the Lion seeking to murder all who Honor God. And Peter warned with Knowing what it's like to be Surprised By Fire that threatens.. even in the form (Matt. 26:69) of a little girl maid. 5:8, STAY WATCHFUL.

Fires don't announce their coming. ....

**8 November 2017 9 PM** 2 mins ·

I shared with someone this lovely story I just gotta keep sharing... It says a lot about our Joy to come. I remember as a kid-- a few decades ago ? -- my dad repeatedly telling-- of a man who prayed every single day beginning with the words as he awakened,

***"Good morning, Jesus-- it's me, Bill."***

And all thru the days, he'd keep praying like a friend talks to a friend....

Time came, that he got old, and after one night's darkness, he awoke to a brilliant light and the soft comforting words,

***"Good morning, Bill. It's me, Jesus."***

COMMENT 9 November 2017. In a music group, a radio producer asked our opinions of bands who also 'preach'... ME: I "fell in love with" a band after seeing it repeatedly, in outdoor festivals like Alive Music Festival and Creation Festivals Northeast, stop and TALK to people about what their song words meant... a Band who shared how God had saved them so they could share this Good News on Stage: Only God knows how many people-- adults as well as teens-- listening to Seventh Day Slumber in concert decided

to keep praying thru & trusting God in their despair, and not give in to "cutting" or the next step, suicide.

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November 10 at 9:03am ·

I locked down my online banking because someone made 3 attempts to get in... but I have a very complicated password, so: NO problem... YET TODAY: I get a "Wonderful News" mass-message from same huge banking firm, that they've added a new feature: "Send money to anyone using just a phone number or email." ....

Oh, great, let's make it EASY for any successful hacker. Because they WILL keep **"trying the doorknobs"** to see if they can get in....

1st Peter 5:8, just as Satan keeps trying. It's Stupid for us to NOT stay watchful against any form of evil... and Smart to pray a lot for God's help & protection. Against any form of evil....

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November 11 at 9:40am ·

Nature vs Evolution based on Statistical Probability for an infinitesimally small fraction of the animal population:

JUST a COUPLE of nights A YEAR, the MOON TRIGGERS this WEIRD RISING OF **PALOLO WORMS** [pronounced "ha-lo-luh"] to the Pacific's surface near Samoa. There, eggs & sperms mix in just a FEW HOURS:

But so PREDICTABLY that people know the VERY few days & WAIT AT WATER'S EDGE WITH NETS TO SCOOP UP THE WORMS that are like caviar to them. OTHER worms don't do this: Surely YAE-- **Yet Another Evidence of a Creator--** with a Sense of Humor :) ....

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November 11 at 9:33pm ·

A billion seconds ago	it was 1977.
A billion minutes ago,	most of Jesus's disciples were alive.
A billion WEBSITES	existed as of 3 years ago.

What are the statistical CHANCES of a person accidentally finding ANY Ministry Website, whether of devotions or Music, or our band, ETC?..... Well..... >> ...When God WANTS that::: 100%.... God calls us to minister, not to fret about the "statistics against our success". By the way: To visualize a billion... sort of >>>

A dump truck full of sand has 1,000,000,000 grains of sand. -- SciForum Thread 79112.

November 12 at 9:13pm · photo of guitar fretboard with note letters marked

A test I give early-on to new guitar students goes something like "Show me all the places you can find this E" (which I play for them). I teach them beside a piano, so NEXT, I next ask the same Q for the piano. FEW PEOPLE KNOW: You can find ANY same tone note in several places on a guitar -- but NOT on a piano or harp, where ONLY one key or string matches "that E"... //.....

We're each one of God's "piano keys" that has not a single match in the World Thru History (OR the Future)...."You are the only 'YOU' that has ever existed out of billions of people: Psalm 139 Unique. AND: God's cool Psalm 147 parable: God knows the name of each, unique star: And He knows yours.

November 13 at 9:17am · photo of robin on bare branch with a few berries

Walked outside early this AM with a sigh... dreary gray skies, cold, dampness that just sinks into your very soul, it seems. SUDDENLY: Heard a \*springtime\* bird! I knew its call.... a robin! :) ... In moments I went from Depressed to Remembering: Amid any darkness, God will give us HOPE. Often, like today, even before we think to ask Him. What a giving Father! .....

Photo Credit: Kentucky Native Plant and Wildlife  
Later comment: Some robins fly thousands of miles, such as those that migrate from Vancouver Island to as far south as Guatemala. · November 13 at 4:56pm

Later comment: **Psalm 130: 5, "I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, and in His word I do hope."** · November 13 at 6:34pm

Later comment: "Behold, the eye of the LORD <=YHWH> is on those who fear Him, on those who hope in His mercy, to deliver their soul from death, and to keep them alive in famine. Our soul waits for the LORD; He is our help and our shield. For our heart shall rejoice in Him, because we have trusted in His holy name." <YHWH: Isaiah 42:8, Exodus 3:14-15> ... Psalm 33:18-21. · Nov 14 at 10:10am

**4 November 2017** Yesterday at 9:22am ·

Useful parable for those who love to quote Matthew 5:17 but won't bother to read (or make up excuses for) verses 18 and 19 >> I have a Master's Degree because I fulfilled all the requirements. *You* Do NOT have the *same* Master's unless YOU fulfilled the requirements... And if *you* have a PH.D., *I* do not even if we were dear friends.

Jesus did what YHWH commanded be done, but that doesn't let you & me off the hook for those Laws of God --- the FEW of the ~613 Laws that **apply** to us in our gender, as a non-priest, etc.).

The ONE Law described ALL thru the Book of Hebrews is the Law that Jesus fulfilled because no human can: The blood sacrifice required to cover our sins, which had to be at the Temple (which has not existed for 1,947 years)... and had to be done repeatedly because only Jesus was perfect sacrifice.

**14 November 2017.** Yesterday at 8:31am ·

Sadly packed away my sandals this AM... except 2 pair to wear with socks. I love the Free Open feel, March > November. Still mentally whining, I flipped on TV to check weather. Watching just moments of "news" & refugees & poor people & those who lost homes in Fires & natural disasters..... leaves me ashamed:

**May God keep reminding me to stay thankful for all my & my family's Blessings from Him. And not just 1 Thursday "Thanksgiving" per year.**

**14 November 2017.** Yesterday at 10:01pm · Photo = our engagement picture.

So very weird.... I just walked into the dark room, barely enough light to grab what I needed off the dresser... glanced up at its mirror & was **\*\*startled\*\*** to "see" my 20-year-old self look back. I guess it's because I've let my hair grow long. And after all, the light WAS quite dim...But in my mind's eye, my husband & I still are as we were.... **Time is a weird river... It races forward but-- in a Moment-- we're Back Then.** Pretty cool of God, really: As we mature, we learn to look beyond the surface to people's *real* selves.

**Comment 14 Nov 2017.**

I love when God gives me ideas especially about time, science, and the weird way we try to limit Him by "explaining" things about him by what WE can figure out!... As if an amoeba could explain what a human can do :)

**Comment 14 Nov 2017.**

I go thru my Facebook friends list frequently to see who I haven't checked up with in awhile... and it's become *\*so\** much fun to scan thru looking at just the profile pics & remembering right away who persons are, ideas they've shared, who's a musician (admittedly most of my friends) & where, etc... I love making new friends via FB including hearing of their ideas. DANIEL 12:4 ... God has given us VASTLY EXPANDING TECHNOLOGY in these latter days to Connect with His People around the world!.

**15 November 2017.** 49 mins ·

First comic strip where Charlie Brown shows Schroeder how to hit Plink Plink Plink on toy piano... and Schroeder begins Beethoven..... I always preferred playing Bach's counterpoints & thought Beethoven was boring-- until I heard "Beethoven's Last Night" hard rock opera by Trans-Siberian Orchestra. Few people get the "joke" of Schroeder playing his toy Piano >>

**PEANUTS author Charles Schultz insisted on accuracy.** Many of us can thank him for introducing us to Vince Guaraldi's fun jazz piano for the Peanuts TV specials & movies. 1965 for the Christmas pageant...//... When we tell people we are "Christian", **do we do the best that we can to ACCURATELY REFLECT** what God is

really like? ... 2nd Corinthians 3:18, God's Holy Spirit will even HELP us do this more and more over time.

**16 November 2017. 9:30 A.M. 12 hrs ·**

"Nothing honors God more than a big dream that is WAY BEYOND our ABILITY to accomplish it. Why? Because there is no way we can take credit for it." ---- Mark Batterson, "The Circle Maker" p.43 ..... Or, in the wording God inspired Paul to write in Ephesians 3:20: "Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us...." For God's GLORY only! ... vs 21.

**16 November 2017. 9:30 P.M. 1 hr ·**

Romans 8: 37 "No, despite all these things, overwhelming victory is ours through Christ, who loved us. 38 ...NOTHING can ever separate us from God's love. Neither death NOR life, neither angels NOR demons, neither our fears for today NOR our worries about tomorrow—

NOT even the powers of hell can separate us from God's love. 39 NOT power in the sky above or in the earth below—indeed, NOTHING in all creation will ever be able to separate us from the love of God that is revealed in Christ Jesus our Lord." ..... NOTHING CAN.... New Living Translation

November 16 at 9:20pm ·

True crime report: Thief tried to break into a closed Chicago bar by cutting the huge padlock. But their system still defeated him despite putting his rather great strength into pulling & pulling. Video showed him slinking away-- never having noticed the door sign that said PUSH...//...

We laugh rather embarrassed to remember... :) .... Not so funny: When we're struggling to figure out how to "get the door open" when we pray & pray &.... But unlike at the bar: God hopes we'll figure out His system: Faith in Him even when doors seem to stay closed... & not faith in our own "ability" to pray "right" to "open doors".... {News credit: Reader's Digest, Feb 2017, p94} ... Faith & HOPE linked >>

<https://www.blueletterbible.org/search/search.cfm...>

Comment 11-16-2017.

Notice Psalm 147:3 does NOT say God immediately HEALS our wounds... sometimes He lets it take time... gives us time to trust Him despite our pain. COOL: Verse 3 is followed by 4's Truth: God KNOWS THE NAMES OF EVERY STAR....

**Huh?** But... God's telling us: "**Since I know the name of Trillions of stars, I CERTAINLY know \*YOURS\* ... and care!!!**

November 18 at 12:37pm ·

Mathematical extrapolation = dating method that claim "billions of years" by people who WANT Evolution to be true so search for "proof".... YET a simple example in daily news: Climate changes in only 200 years, whatever the cause, are recorded. YET evolution requires a CONSTANT weather pattern to "prove" with a math formula how many years it takes carbon based things to degrade...

**THE FURTHER THE DISTANCE in geography OR in Time, the greater the influences that can create mistakes in estimates.** \*AIRPLANE eXAMPLE\* >>> Fast-moving objects are influenced by the Coriolis effect. Pilots must take the Earth's rotation into account when charting flights over long distances... A plane flying from Portland, Oregon, could not fly in a straight line and land in Portland, Maine. >>

We have MANY examples in science and math of how TIME affects things... obviously including weather, atmospheric conditions as the Earth cools or warms up a measurable even if small amount over years....

It is ONLY people who do not want to even consider the possibility that there is a Creator who could instantly speak Mountains into existence who accept Science & Math examples on everything else but demand "Evolution" theories be called facts... Despite proven examples of carbon dating being wrong when tested against known-age objects (such as things that were in a fire).

**POST with website Home Page photo, November 18 at 9:33pm · AUTOBIOGRAPHY**

Thomas my original Web Developer hadn't yet added strings to his art photo of my Carvin guitar when God gave me this idea: I told Th to KEEP them off -- as a Symbol Forever to teach via my Website:

NO WAY to play a guitar which doesn't have strings.

NO WAY to write songs without God being the Inspiring Power like The Strings: Ephesians 3:20-21... :) ...

BACKGROUND: Zephaniah 3:17... "The LORD your God in your midst, The Mighty One, will save; He will rejoice over you with gladness, He will quiet you with His love, He will rejoice over you with singing." >>

THIS = the scripture I "accidentally" found flipping thru Bible searching for guidance on FIRST NIGHT I became a Christian at 19--

and AGAIN "accidentally" on the 2nd night. Who in the world "ACCIDENTALLY" finds the 3 pages of Zephaniah in a huge Bible-- except By GOD?!

**19 November 2017. Yesterday at 8:37am ·**

The amazingly predictable migration of little insects, Monarch Butterflies... **that few other butterflies have**. Why not **MORE** if this is an "evolution" method of "Survival of the Fittest"???? Another EVIDENCE that questions the Theory-that-is-NOT-Science.... See original Facebook Link (above) & article for Migration maps + more info >> <http://www.foxnews.com/.../unusually-warm-weather-in-us-prom.../>



**POST** November 19 at 4:10pm ·

This morning's cold biting winds seems to have encouraged the Canada geese to \*finally\* fly south -- squawking loudly above me. At least they fly fast. Sadly, Monarch Butterflies staying in the far north's Warmth of Late Fall too long might die-- too small & slow to battle sudden cold winds rushing in. **HAPPY WARMTH kept them too comfy to want to leave-- the slowest seen by Monarch Watch for 25 yrs....//..**

Sometimes WE are too comfy where we are-- and God has to send troubles to "wake us up" & get us to move to the TRUE "Happy Place" He's planned for us... Proverbs 3:5-7, we don't just "Trust God" >> We acknowledge His guidance by MOVING to where He says we should be..... SONG: WHO TAUGHT BUTTERFLIES (WHERE TO GO?) free >> <http://dianadeeosbornesongs.com/Songs-2008-2012.php>

**POST** November 20 at 4:24pm 2017

3 years ago, the media kept showing a synagogue with pools of bloods-- where terrorists "had fun" killing worshipers.

God's Furious Words are relevant still today... not just to THOSE people but to people in America (etc) who haven't figured out that COMPASSION for women does NOT allow for spilling the blood of conceived babies. Creator God calls them PRECIOUS-- as are His people both within & outside the Tiny % of Earth that is Israel. The words of God-Named-YHWH (Isaiah 42:8, Exodus 3:20-21) >> ...

**"Your eternal hatred for the people of Israel led you to butcher them when they were helpless...** As surely as I live, says the Sovereign LORD, since you show no distaste for blood, I will give you a bloodbath of your own. Your turn has come!" - says God through Ezekiel 35:5-6 NLT... God-YHWH is His Name -- is YHWH the I AM and is \*SOVEREIGN\*. Above evil laws including of "religion".

**POST** November 21 at 8:50am · 2017

John Cage's Imagination of his unique idea- a \*completely\* different composition- has been called genius...by some. (Fascinating article describes it.) People's wide range of reactions the very first time a pianist (in a concert they'd paid a LOT for) "played" his creation named 4'33" ...<4 minutes 33 seconds> were FUNNY in their range, from laughing to anger! ...//... T

he article brought to my mind, though, the memory of my terror sitting in front of a concert grand for the first time in front of about 100 people-- including 4 judges.... About 1'33" of Silence were added to MY concert piece... & "genius" had nothing to do with this 14-year-old's "creativity"! ... I'm always so amazed at how the slightest flick of an article or a smell or a sight can bring an ancient memory back to "reality". Genius= God's design of our brains!

**November 22 at 8:09am** ·

PARABLE in 4'33" music 'composition' posted yesterday... God's Parable to \*COMFORT\* each of us: Quote in article... "But when a musician sees a REST in the score, that rest is STILL part of the composition and is a valid part of the overall work." ...//...

When you or I think God is RESTING & NOT ANSWERING our prayers by DOING something.... Well: The time of REST is ALSO part of His Composition Plan for our lives. And when, like the muttering audience (see article) we get more & more ANGRY at God's Silence... We've lost the whole point of Psalm 46:10 and Etc in God's Comfort Word Bible: Be Still. Know that I AM God. Listen. REST. Jesus thru Matt 11 end:"Come to me, all of you who are weary and carry heavy burdens, and I will give you REST." >> <https://www.facebook.com/dianadee.osborne/posts/1367751926685864>

**November 23 at 9:41pm**

Last year was almost my last Thanksgiving, with recovering from May's poison spider bite that put a lot of water around my heart; deadly blood sepsis only 2 weeks after that annual family reunion, & a very dangerous fall this past May where I heard a "crack" as my temple hit the pavement...

MORE than EVER: There's a Peace knowing God will work out what's best... including 100s of Blessings we never even knew of, many that saved our lives. How sad that "Let's say Thanks" has often become a cliché for the cliché of "saying grace... Thanking God.

**November 24 at 8:58am** · ·

A simple prayer, no big picture to share (a bitty poem :) On this day rightfully called "Black" Friday, when people seem to replace Thanksgiving's Heart of Thanks with Yearning for MORE things... (we'll think positive: Shopping for Christmas Gifts??!)...// ...

Let us each cherish & thank God for the friends we have-- & not just those in our "Geography" but also here on Facebook.... May each of you, my friends -- and I don't use that word lightly but literally -- be blessed today with Peace Amid your Busy-ness.... and given by our Great LORD God very many blessings-more thru this coming year ..... to have fun GIVING as well as receiving! ~~DianaDee Osborne

**November 25 at 8:19am**

Looking into the night sky is often a delight as the weather gets colder... A blanket of stars above. So often until maybe 2 dozen years ago, I'd get SO excited by seeing an especially bright star. BUT I've learned to not trust it's a true star even if it doesn't seem moving like a super-high plane would.

We humans have put 100s of satellites up there & have to want to study Astronomy to know what's REAL & what's Fake. The same as for all the religious ideas that Look like truth: We must stop being like children who trust Every Star & Every

Teaching no matter how Real it seems-- Study for ourselves. 1st Corin. 3 milk/ meat.  
>><https://www.space.com/6870-spot-satellites.html>

November 25 at 10:30pm ·

"Pay no attention to that man behind the curtain!"... An amazing # of us know that movie quote-- and that it was too late: Once they saw the Wizard of Oz, they couldn't stop wondering who he was...//...

We're in the same quandary about Santa Claus: What do we SAY? Our children see "him" everywhere! How can we explain the Real Meaning of Christ\*mas? ... A good start is to explain that good Saint Nicholas who secretly left gifts for needy children was called by Dutch children who'd immigrated to New York "Sinterklaas" ...

and Washington Irving's 1809 book, "Knickerbocker's History of New York", made him so famous that children everywhere wanted to remember him.... but kept mis-saying the saint's Dutch name as "Santa Claus"... To be continued >>  
.. MORE details in tomorrow's post >>.

November 26, 2017 Yesterday at 7:31am ·

What do we SAY to children about "Santa Claus"? Are we afraid they won't believe the Real Meaning of Christ\*mas... the birth of God's Son coming for us who were Dying in Need of a savior? ...

CAN'T ignore Santa Claus: They'll envy their friends who teach them. So... In God's wisdom you pray for (James 1:5), TEACH about the real Saint Nicholas to encourage children to learn to enjoy Giving: Nicholas secretly left food & gifts for children-- incl. \$ to avoid slavery. Teach that SC's name itself came from Dutch children who'd come to NY calling him "Sinterklaas" ... with the foreign words sounding like "Santa Claus"... MORE details in yesterday's post >>

<https://www.facebook.com/dianadee.osborne/posts/1371879182939805?pnref=story>

**Comment** · November 26 at 7:37am In "those days"... & sadly for many centuries in many places... women had to have a husband to provide a home, food, clothing. Remember, parents often died young & others would seize their property. So unmarried girls often became slaves "or" -- that profession poor Mary Magdalene is mocked for -- just to live. To survive. Saint Nickolas truly saved

November 27 at 7:57am · From C.S. Lewis, forever a TRUTH, sadly... like the T books in Bible show (Titus etc) >> "As Christians we are tempted to make unnecessary concessions to those outside the Faith. We give in too much. Now, I don't mean that we should run the risk of making a nuisance of ourselves by witnessing at improper times,

BUT there comes a time when we MUST show that we disagree. We MUST show our Christian colours, if we are to be TRUE to Jesus Christ. WE CANNOT REMAIN SILENT OR CONCEDE EVERYTHING AWAY." -- from C.S. Lewis's *God in*

*the Doc*, "Cross-Examination" (1963), para. 30, p. 262 [emphases added]. Source: The Quotable Lewis, ed. by Martindale & Root, Quote #433.

November 28 at 8:03am · PHOTO of Saint Nicholas bowing before the manger.

Always surprising to walk the beach mid-afternoon and find great shells that 100s of people already walked by. What \*I\* treasure, they did not... Still surprises me with joy to come upon scriptures I never noticed or forgot, that say God treasures each of us. Even if we're broken and feel unwanted by other people....

God's PROMISE: "I TREASURE \*\*you\*\* (Yes, YOU!) so VERY much that I was willing to send my treasured Son Jesus to Earth that first Christmas... AND (God repeatedly says) [1st Timothy 1:15], Jesus TREASURES \*\*you\*\* so much, He gladly came at Christmas, even knowing the Cross would come...."

November 28 at 2:33pm · PHOTO: Cartoon of man speaking to smiling woman who's at computer keyboard, "I didn't know there was an **IdleGossip.com**.

Some people 2 years ago, this date, were passing around a website's FEAR-Story about France riots... I looked up the website in Whols.... useful dot-com place to get info about source incl mailing address of the URL in top bar. The **so-called "authoritative story"** came from some 7-month-old website-- created on GoDaddy for about \$10-- in a tiny Florida town...//.

SO: I reported that in a comment on several of the posts of friends passing on this "gossip".... THEN....

then I got slammed as a "critical spirit" for simply providing **information** about that story source >>>>

**Fake sites flourish for the same reason gossip does:  
BECAUSE People enjoy thinking they've got "the scoop" to pass on....**  
Anyone else thinking of what dog-scoopers scoop?

November 29 at 9:05am · POST with photo of huge aquarium in Gatlinburg that was being threatened by the huge fire on this date last year, 2016.

It has been a really.... reallyyyyyy long year full of sadnesses for SO many people... so much destruction by **fires** across the country.... so much destruction by **Fires in Hearts full of Hatred & Accusations** against each other, across the country.....

I sadly think of my Grandmother who-- 2 decades ago soon before her death, kept saying "I've seen enough; I'm ready to go home to live in Peace with God." .... As the original post says: Let us keep praying.... God knows, literally, the World needs that.

**30 November 2017** at 8:38am ·

When I was ~12, Dad began declaring that God gave us the rainbow as a promise that He'd never again destroy the Earth by flood-- BUT that God never said He wouldn't destroy it by Fire.//..

Even at 12, I didn't believe everything "preached at" me... Dad didn't appreciate me "thinking for myself" when I'd sometimes comment that it seemed like a mean trick for God to just SOUND like He meant He'd not destroy the earth again, period.//.. Watching all worldwide news esp of Fires, I realize:

God doesn't need to destroy Earth by fire or anything else. We humans with our selfish carelessness OR evil like Arson (PHOTO: Gatlinburg, last year this week, burned by 2 teenage arsonists) are doing a daRned good job by ourselves. And I really mean the other "D" word.

**30 November 2017, ~9 AM** 15 hrs ·

The harder it is, the more Credit we can easily explain when people ask, "How did you \_\_\_?" .... Ephesians 3:20. empowered by the Holy Spirit... verse 21, for HIS Glory! Though my math-professor bass student did use to shake his head with a slight smile and say "I don't think Philippians 4:13 was meant to apply to learning bass". <But he became my best student!>

**1 December 2017, 11 AM.** 1 hr · PHOTO from Pinterest, posted 2014; Dec 1 post .... Partially posted November 24, 2014 at 9:43am ·

This a **Lantern Fish**. It shines a little bulb of light right in front of its cutting sharp teeth.

Fishes swimming thru the dark waters

get EXCITED thinking the light is something good...

and swim right toward Danger... Very much as God describes thru **First Peter 5:8.**

**Satan NEVER can make us choose Deadly. But he entices us to come closer & closer** until the EXCITING! Temptation leads to our **Destruction**-- which Jesus described as Satan's GOAL (John 10:10a)... while JESUS offers LIFE in His Light... John 10:10b PROMISE.

COMMENT added later 29 mins: **ANGLER Fish**... another name for this Deadly creature that "goes fishing" for careless victims that were so self-focused on getting what they want that they didn't even consider whether there might be danger in the temptation.

This description of an Angler Fish (remember FINDING DORY's "oooo, pretty!" lines?) **is so crazy-- and unique beyond most any other creation**-- that we should laugh to think it happened by chance instead of by a Creative Designer with an Amazing Imagination: >> AND A PARABLE IN NATURE WARNING US OF SATAN!

a full SCIENCE description:

GOD's AMAZING DESIGN – not an accident, which NO OTHER FISH has:

"Some deep-sea anglerfish ... emit light from their esca to attract prey.

This bioluminescence is a result of symbiosis with bacteria.  
The mechanism that ceratioids use to harness them is **unknown**, but researchers speculate that the bacteria enter the esca through small pores from SEAWATER."

**December 2 at 8:13am**

IMPT Thanksgiving JOKE ... another of my Dad's favorite: A BRIDE cooking her first ham, cut off each end & threw them into trash before gently putting rest in pan.

GROOM: Why'd you do that?

BRIDE: I don't know-- Mom always cut of the ends; I'll ask...

(Later) MOM: "I don't know-- your grandmother always did."

SO, the bride called her Grandmother, who replied: "**We didn't have a pan big enough----- I had to cut off the ham ends to fit.**"...//.

IMPORTANT: We must NOT ASSUME all we've been taught, even from caring, smart Christians, has been what GOD said. We must study GOD's Word, PRAY for wisdom (James 1:5)... & be willing to change. God SAYS thru Jeremiah16:19 >> one day we may SADLY admit: **We wrongly believed some Lies taught by our forefathers.** JESUS scolded many as "Traditions of men"... taught by religious leaders.

**NOTIFICATION FROM FACEBOOK with photos:**

**DianaDee Osborne was celebrating friendship. December 1 at 10:42pm ·**

**DianaDee's posts have been liked 14,000 times**

**2 December 2017.**

I nearly died of sepsis Dec 2016... 4 days from now = anniversary. Hospital couldn't figure out what was wrong & was going to send me home. I was dressed w shoes on, nurse shrugged & said "I may as well take your vitals one last time." My temp had soared to over 102 in 17 minutes... a GOD miracle I'm alive. My friends tell me they knew 5 people with blood sepsis that winter; I was the only one who lived. Thanking God daily for His Gift of Life. Praying daily to use it well for Him, incl. on Facebook.

**December 3 at 7:19am ·**

I find it SO endearing that my cat JeSuis (shuh-SWEE, French for "I am", a self-confident little kitten!) always rushes to be outside my bedroom door when she hears me stirring. NO FOOD coming: She knows I won't feed her for an hour. So it's not Self-ishness. She just wants to BE with me...//... A thought provoking parable: When we Awaken, are our first thoughts to be EXCITED to pray & BE with our Creator?... Or are we in an Ignore-til-I-feel-like-praying, or a praying-to-be-asking mode?... the sad thoughts behind the song AWAKENING FRIENDS. >>>

<http://dianadeeosbornesongs.com/.../AwakeningFriends-LY5-24-2...> >> **AUDIO:**  
<http://dianadeeosbornesongs.com/.../2010.../AwakeningFriends.mp3>

December 3 at 8:20pm ·

Never stop seeking to learn new words... They add colors or brush strokes to your language... They are tools waiting to be used one day: You may not need a specific word this day, but you never know when God might guide you to realize a specific Word tool is nonpareil to explain what you seek to convey.... Such Joy, like figuring out a puzzle! :)

December 4 at 7:35am

Several days ago, I was deep in thought as I closed what apparently I was thinking was my van's rear. But it was the garage door-- and 3 fingers resting on the door got caught in the crack as it closed & were crushed. I raced into the house, kept them in a bowl of ice water for 20 min... and they were fine! Praised God all day!...

But then forgot. Til today as I used them as a "shoehorn" to put on my gym shoes w/o unlacing (lazy!) and realized: NO PAIN! :) ... **Thanking God for All His blessings seen AND UNSEEN became my common prayer this year...** Thanking Him for THAT wisdom, too! And for Facebook as a place to Tell of His Greatness-- and His CARE for EACH of us. Even when we do pretty stupid things!

December 5 at 7:56am

There's a stop light that's \*really\* irked me for yrs, at a right turn lane that heads to schools, Post Office, lots. NO one can be coming at us from left when the road to my right has a Green... Yet still I must come to complete stop... BUT THEN: I was first car on cross road, stopped at a RED when a huge truck came *SAILING* into the lane to the Post Office, SLAMMED on brakes when driver finally saw the irksome red light.... and came pretty close to me, trapped in my spot...//...

I **LIKE** that stoplight now! :) .... NOT LOGICAL: How could a GOOD God create *BAD* laws? Why do we get so IRKED just because we don't understand His reasons for them?... Gotta wonder at our LACK of faith that's IRKED at obeying God's laws that seem "useless" to us.

December 5 at 9:51pm -

a super meaningful "message from God" reminder when we slip into "POOR ME!!" ruts in our road of Life. Phil. 4:6 "Don't worry about anything; instead, PRAY about everything. Tell God what you need, & THANK Him for all he has done. 7 Then you will experience God's peace, which exceeds ANY-thing we can understand. His peace will guard your hearts and minds as you live in Christ Jesus." (NLT) –

SHARED PHOTO (I share only maybe 6 a year average):

DYING TO SELF: on Facebook, 12-5-2017 photo Source unknown

When you are forgotten or neglected and you don't hurt with the insult but your heart is happy -- that is dying to self.

When your advice is disregarded, your opinions ridiculed, and you refuse to let anger rise in your heart, and take it all in patient, loving silence -- that is dying to self.

When you lovingly and patiently bear disorder, irregularity, tardiness, and annoyance... and endure it as Jesus endured it -- that is dying to self.

When you never refer to yourself in conversation or record your own good works, or itch for praise after an accomplishment, when you can truly love to be unknown... that is dying to self.

When you can see your brother or sister prosper and can honestly rejoice with him, and feel no envy even though your needs are greater -- that is dying to self.

When you are content with any food, any offering, any raiment, any climate, or any society -- that is dying to self.

When you can take correction, when you can humbly submit inwardly as well as outwardly, with no rebellion or resentment rising up within your heart - that is dying to self.

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**December 6 at 7:39am** <Lot of Likes, comments>

Tomorrow, Dec 7th is my first anniversary>> I nearly DIED of blood sepsis. Went by ambulance last year on today's date: Hospital couldn't figure out what was wrong. Doctors sending me home since my breathing pains had subsided. I was dressed with shoes on when the nurse came in to remove my 24 hours' of IVs, shrugged, & said "I may as well take your vitals one last time." Discovered: My temp had soared to over 102 in 17 minutes..//...

If I'd gone home, I'd've assumed my growing weakness was normal, and..... a GOD miracle that I'm alive. Friends tell me they knew 5 people with blood sepsis last winter; I was the only one who lived. Thanking God daily for His Gift of Life. Praying daily to use it well for Him, incl. on Facebook & [DiDoReflections.com](http://DiDoReflections.com) songs website.



ADDED COMMENT on Dec 7, 8:30 AM: At choir last nite, they reminded me that I played the 1/2 hour cantata on Sunday last year, just 3 days after 6 days of IVs taken out. I'd forgotten that I'd ice-d my wrist all day that Sunday & Mon!... God is FAITH-fully good! It was SUCH a joy to be able to pound out a piano with CHRIST-mas Messages after 10 days in bed not serving Him with music!

6 December 2017, 23 hrs = Posted in GROWING UP IN ALEXANDRIA group

Of course there are many Exciting New Adventures in & around Alexandria now than 4 decades ago... But I especially remember, during this Christmas season, how I miss driving south on Interstate-95 and we kids would feel like we'd finally hit the "country" when we got to Woodbridge. *<a popular post!>*

POST 7 December 2017. 10 AM Just now · In 4/4 time of God's language of MUSIC:

### **CHEAP GRACE OF SATAN**

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Thrilled to "Get out of HELL free", \_ //  
with these words-- only 3, //  
said out loud: "I am sorry." Then //  
you're for-(given)\_ \_ (you THINK).//

"CHEAP GRACE" cares just about "ME"...//  
CHEAP GRACE loves these words- Just 3! \_ \_ //  
thinks with them "I force God, LORD\_ //  
to forget \_ all I've done. Don't //

CARE that God is DEEPLY grieved... //  
"CHEAP GRACE" cares JUST about "ME". \_ //  
CHEAP GRACE is Satan's.... \_ \_ BEST Deceit. :(

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Sad perceptive cartoon's credit: <http://www.reverendfun.com/toon/20060509/> ..

**FREE LYRICS sheets** on <http://dianadeeosbornesongs.com/FUTURE--A-F.php> >>  
"CHEAP GRACE EVIL"... based on God's sad words in Jeremiah 5, of LOVE despite His people then as now living as if His forgiveness were cheap. LINK >  
[https://www.blueletterbible.org/nlt/jer/5/3/s\\_750003](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nlt/jer/5/3/s_750003)

7 December 2017.

When all our kids were young, we'd line our narrow long hall with small boxes, I'd give them each a certain \$ amount in an envelope, and take them to the grocery store. **There they each** got to PICK what food to buy for families for Thanksgiving/Christmas baskets... and **learned how hard it is to buy wisely when you don't have much.**

December 8 at 9:29pm –

**AUTOBIOGRAPHY**

**365 Days that WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN,  
were it not for the Goodness of God**

**in our Land of the Living ...** (info in December 6th main post).

<https://www.facebook.com/dianadee.osborne/posts/1381921388602251?pnref=story> ...

**PSALM 124, "If it had not been the LORD who was on our side,"** .... 4 Then the waters would have **overwhelmed us**, The stream would have **gone over our soul**" ... "ironically" were the words of the **Very First Song that God inspired me to write, on the Horrid Day of 10 March 2008: "ABOVE MY SORROW SEA"**

>> audio: <http://dianadeeosbornesongs.com/media/AboveMySorrowSea.mp3> -

>> Lyrics: <http://dianadeeosbornesongs.com/.../AboveMySorrowSea-LY3-23-2...>

**8 December 2017. 9 AM** 14 hrs ·

Photo Jeremiah 33:3 and John 14:12-13.

AMAZING! You & I can potentially do "even greater works" than Jesus? Our 1st reaction is (or should be): "NO WAY can I do more than the Son of God!"... Yet Jesus HIMSELF said this. Logical reason He gave: "because I am going to be with the Father." Most of us have **MORE time** AND can start before Age 30 (which was the earliest a man could become a rabbi and start a ministry in Jesus's day).

EXCITEMENT in John 14:26-27 (power to remember scriptures & Peace), James 1:5, Eph 6:10-18, Eph 3:20-21 >> God promises Wisdom, Spiritual Protection, and Empowering for what we do-- IF we (fervently!) ask....//.. SO.... 🙏? ... HOW are we SATISFIED just going to church 1x or 3x a week, when God offers us His WORLD as a mission field ... to do "Even Greater Works"? ..... 🙏? .....

<https://www.facebook.com/dianadee.osborne/posts/620520858075645>

Comment 8 Dec 2017 : King David did not just "conquer" Jerusalem as has been claimed: He BOUGHT the land for the altar (2nd Samuel 24:18 on and 1st Chronicles 21 & 22)... where Solomon BUILT the temple (2nd Chronicles 3:1) on that very same threshing floor.... Funny (*not ha-ha*) how no one ever seems to mention the word Propaganda related to world news....

**December 8 at 9:39pm**

**AUTOBIOGRAPHY - Catherine's Card**

A sweet Christmas memory: The envelope lettering was so wiggly that I could barely read my address; kudos to the P.O. people. Inside, I could almost feel the pain as **fragile thin hands had written slowly, shakily, a message just for me.** One of the most special gifts I've ever gotten: a Christmas card from a very elderly lady who had been an "adoptive mother" to me when I was a lonely, rather scared young newlywed at church. The GIFT: 2 words she managed besides her name: "Miss you." ..//..

I miss you too, Catherine. Much....

MAY WE NOT JUST REMEMBER but THANK those who have shown us so much love... including our Heavenly Father for sending His Son on that first Christmas..... >> From

<https://www.facebook.com/dianadee.osborne/posts/629526920508372>

**December 9 at 10:09am**

**HOW to MAKE WINTER BIRDBATH**

Easy BIRD BATH for snowy, freezing weather: Fill medium saucepan 1/2 with water & boil. Put its lid or a larger pan's lid on top >> \*upside down\*. Carry it & a container of warm TAP water outside, & put some water in lid... The steam from pan keeps water in lid from freezing for long time! Birds can sit on rim to drink. JUST BOIL PAN again as needed! ..//...

I was excited to think of this as poor birds pecked at ice! Thanking God for all types of James 1:5 wisdom -- including this fun kind.

Comment 9 Dec 2017 about Landmark Mall in Maryland which has closed...

Group post mentioning how nice it was in 1960s and early 70s. ME: Late 70s too... my boyfriend (now husband) and I had many a date there. Very first place I ever even heard of Taco Bell: And he bought one of EVERY item on their menu so I could find out what "Mexican" food was!

**December 10 at 8:27am**

**AUTOBIOGRAPHY**

7th GRADE, Sept.>> I missed out on my chance for "Popularity": The 5 POPULAR girls asked me to join the class's 6-person football Cheerleader squad!!! ... I was SO tempted... but I said NO. WHY: >>

Our class had only 10 girls. Without me, the spot would be filled by a black girl-- which the P.G.s didn't want... //... I've never been as smart as I'd like... but I find myself pleased that in That Moment of Choice, I realized the Unkindness (nice word) of their invitation. God helped me choose right. It HAD to be God... for I surely had been wishing to be more popular, & cheerleading really COULD have changed my life. So would've Prejudice. ... I'd still be feeling ashamed had I chosen wrongly; at least, I surely HOPE I'd be ashamed... What EVIL parents taught to the Adults of Today.

**12 December 2017. 7:41 AM. 8 mins** ·

Awoke refreshed>> My first prayer words suddenly morphing into the Chirpy song, "Good morning! Good morning! You've slept the whole night thru! Good morning! Good morning... to you!". ..//... GOD, how I \*MISS\* my Dad. He'd annoy us SO much awakening us with songs like this on school days. If you can call 5:45 AM "day". I'll go months without thinking of him & then Remember him singing over us.

**DID YOU KNOW GOD SINGS OVER YOU ?**... Zephaniah 3:17, SAVIOR Rejoicing over YOU who He loves: Calling... in love... though we forget Him for months. Or years.... But Vs 18 promise is ONLY for His people incl us He will graft in (Romans 11), for ALL (John 3:16-18 too) who LOVE God's will & return to HIM like the Prodigal Son. [https://www.blueletterbible.org/nlt/zep/3/17/t\\_bibles\\_909017](https://www.blueletterbible.org/nlt/zep/3/17/t_bibles_909017)

Photo: For the LORD your God is living among you. He is a mighty savior. He will take delight in you with gladness. With his love, he will calm all your fears. He will rejoice over you with joyful songs." – Zephaniah 3:17 New Living Translation.

Zephaniah 3:18 "I will gather you who mourn for the appointed festivals; you will be disgraced no more

3:19 And I will deal severely with all who have oppressed you. I will save the weak and helpless ones; I will bring together those who were chased away. **I will give glory and fame to my former exiles**, wherever they have been mocked and shamed.

3:20 On that day I will gather you together and bring you home again. I will give you a good name, **a name of distinction, among all the nations of the earth**, as I restore your fortunes before their very eyes. I, the LORD, have spoken!"

**GENESIS 12: 3 PROMISE OF GOD NAMED YHWH**: "I will bless those who bless you and curse those who treat you with contempt. All the families on earth will be blessed through you." .... This may "BUY AMERICA MORE TIME" in God's Grace to continue on, as America spirals down as a nation that kills unborn babies spilling their blood as much as NINEVEH did to innocents (see NAHUM 3, about 150 years after Jonah's Day when God spared Nineveh because they repented) , and spirals down to CELEBRATE IMMORALITY as Sodom, Gomorrah, AND the many lands God led the Israelites to defeat had done.... until of course Israelites started JOINING them in idolatry and sexual horrible immorality, as America has done.

December 12 at 10:55pm · was quite popular :)

Well, we've survived 5 more years than the Mayans planned for. (Remember the "scare" prophecy that since their calendar ended 12-12-12.... ;) .... Doesn't it seem like there's always someone trying to Scare Us into believing their Opinions?

COMMENT 12 December 2017. It's so sad, the blindness of "educated" people who cannot figure out the joy of the freedoms they take for granted as they decry anything they don't like... For example, the people of North Korea are kept in such isolation from the rest of the world, they only know the life they were born into...one of poverty, total control, and oppression. It's hard for anyone in the Free World to comprehend because they will not STUDY to see what Life is really like for people elsewhere.

COMMENT 12 December 2017. We might be most moved by a pastor who's speaking "normally" in a prayer or message & then suddenly is choked up in Grief as he urges us?... It's been said that's why **Jonathan Edwards** led SO many to God.. because he **CARED** that people ignored being "in the hands of an angry [holy] God"...

BUT TODAY: So often it's a "**show**" to cry that we can't quite trust a pastor's heart til we've "known" him more... Sad for GOD, too. :(

COMMENT 12-13-2017

Deuteronomy 19:16 on.... one of the Laws that people seem to want to be freed from of God's Good Laws is this: ANY false witness who is "found out" will be GIVEN the SAME results that the witness meant to happen to person he (she) accused.... (Deuteronomy 19:19). IMAGINE what our society would be like if people were AFRAID of being EXECUTED if they were caught lying in a way that would cause someone to be charged with the Death Penalty for a murder they did NOT do.

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COMMENT 12-13-2017 on SONGWRITERS group post question: **What is music theory? My answer:**

The frame inside which the art of music can be anything our imaginations brush into existence.... and some of us like to color outside the Borders.

December 13 at 9:49am

I teach my music students that if they make a pretty badly-obvious mistake in a public performance (usually a church setting), to just go a few more measures and then do it AGAIN: Once, & it sounds wrong. Twice & the audience assumes it was a "color chord" ;) .... Truly: Many composers who've been called "genius" JUST included a lot of CLASHING CHORDS that are so weird that the average person can't believe they'd DARE do that unless it were, indeed, "Genius"...//...

DIFFERENT. UNIQUE. Ephesians 3:20, There's JOY in Creativity that no one else is doing, whether in music or other ways of living for God.... who gives us Ideas Beyond our Dreams. Beyond "normal"!.....

PHOTO: <Music staff notes> Bars from Messiaen – Regard de la Vierge - Photo source is interesting MUSIC THEORY article,

<https://aiu.edu/publications/student/spanish/180-207/music-history-and-analysis.html>

Added comment later: Stravinsky's Sonata using Octatonic scales ( C D Eb F F# Ab A) through the piece, the bass line has augmented chord & 3rd notes>> "NOT acceptable" in classical & romantic period music, "but this discord always in the 20th century music." >> **FUN HARMONY doesn't follow all the "Rules" or "Norm"**.

**14 December 2017** at 10:41am ·

**JOURNALING**

**SQUIRREL-SQUIRREL**-Journaling: .... Why bother keeping even notes in a special place? >>Thru our day, God's Holy Spirit OFTEN gives us Great ideas! But as "Life's Squirrels" run in front of us, we forget... BUT NOT if we've jotted down a note to remind us later. Few SONGS, Poems, Novels, Science Discoveries were written in one "Sit Down session".

**Few PRAYER ANSWERS do we Remember** if we didn't keep a record of EVIDENCE that "God heard me, Cared, Answered".... And often we can write them into a Song or a letter of Encouragement to someone ELSE: 1st Peter 3:15, sharing the REASON for God's Hope within us. As did John Wesley, Andrew Bonar, OTHERS whose honest journals encourage us!

**15 December 2017.** 5 hrs ·

I find MUCH John 16:33 promised peace of God's Son whose Birth we're celebrating this month, Who told us "In this world you have tribulation but BE OF GOOD CHEER: \*I\* have OVERCOME the World." ....//....>>> a continuing prayer for A TRULY HAPPY NEW YEAR that trusts God "whether we live or 'die' to this earth life > >>> We "Know What Happens" really.... That God has given & continues to give His Amazing Love & Guidance, on \*both\* sides of heaven! There's Such PEACE knowing we're "on to new adventures with God" in 2018, wherever they may be! --DianaDee

**16 December 2017.** 3 mins ·

EASY PATTERN to find GOD's opinion on the subject: 21-22-23. Exodus 21-Verse 22 warning- Verse 23 Death Penalty: God-Named-YHWH [translated LORD; Ex. 3:14 number of PI] demands....."If men fight, and hurt a woman with child, so that she gives birth prematurely, yet NO harm follows, he shall surely be PUNISHED ... and he shall pay as the judges determine. 23 But if any harm follows, then you shall give life for life..." >>> God sets the Death Penalty for Murder. God sets the Death Penalty for killing children not yet born, to Whom He obviously speaks also, as He did to John the Baptist in the womb..... Learn God's Word \*AND\* where to find it: 21:22-23 Exodus.

**December 17 at 7:53am**

It's silly, how Christians act as if they've forgotten amid the political arguments: Daniel 4:35, "All the inhabitants of the earth are reputed as nothing; He [God, YHWH] does according to HIS will in the army of heaven and among the inhabitants of the earth. No one can restrain His hand or say to Him, "What have **YOU** done?"..." ..//...

How can we who believe (as we claim) God's Bible, believe that God will Never Again make Jerusalem what He's promised all thru His book?

Did we forget that **God mocks the nations** (Psalm 2) who "rage against" Him & against Israel (to whom He's repeatedly shown a protective Father's yes-- punishment-- but also of love)??? ....

Jesus reminds us to WATCH the signs, NOT to fear them. Or to forget that God has Final Say-- no matter who through the entire world holds political "power".

**December 17 at 6:11pm**

**God's HUMOR in NATURE**

CHRISTMAS STORY begun long ago: **A scallop has ~60 eyes** that line its mantle- beautiful brilliant blue. ANOTHER example of the sense of HUMOR of a Designer... It's going to be SO fun to meet with God whose humor decided on 60 bright blueberry-look eyes in a single sea scallop that seems designed "just for the fun of it"!

Statistically at least a FEW of the millions of other creatures should have this if "evolved by chance". God is Amazing-- and repeatedly shows us! (Romans 1) "When I consider Your heavens, the work of Your fingers, The moon and the stars, which You have ordained, what is man that You are mindful of him, and the son of man that You **VISIT** him?" **CHRISTMAS PROPHECY.... \*VISIT, DWELL\*, Psalm 8.**

Zechariah 2:10, ""Sing and rejoice, O daughter of Zion! For behold, I am coming and **I will dwell in your midst,**" says the **LORD.**"

**December 18 at 9:41am**

As millions of people waited for results of **MEGA-Million LOTTERY JACKPOT** ):

Suppose you checked your bank balance HOPING you were covered for your \$100 check, & saw you had over \$10-MILLION\$ in your account? (1) You'd do The Dance of Joy. (2) You'd call the bank expecting it to be a mistake!.... How would you feel to learn it was a TRUE GIFT to you??! ...//..

Sad, Sad Q: Why are most of us so LESS excited to know Jesus paid ALL our debt of sin-- a TRUE GIFT-- so we can live with God Forever in Joy and Abundance ??? (John 10:10, First John, Romans 8 & 10:9...)...//... Christmas= A time to REMEMBER, in humble thankfulness, that Jesus left His RICHES (2 Cor 8:9) to come be GOD AMONG US... Zechariah 2:10 >>> "Sing and rejoice, O daughter of Zion! For behold, I am coming and I will \*DWELL\* \*IN\* your midst," says the LORD."

**December 19 at 9:07pm**

It must be sad to have moved ahead thru WEEKS of a national music competition and-- on the very last night-- seem to have a cold, where even your coach is encouraging the Audience to vote remembering how truly great singers are Unique "even when their voices crack & pop" (a quote!)...//...

I've talked with a number of singers worried about This Year's Church Cantata... so many people having voice problems. (I'm on Week 4 of acute bronchitis.) YET: Our goal is to please GOD, not the congregation... and we do that with our HEARTS, not

vocal cords... May YOU find much pleasure designing your Birthday Gift for Jesus this year... Perfection not needed.

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**December 21 at 7:53am**

SINGING WITHOUT a FLAW? Or, Singing with EMOTION? Which is better?...//... Years ago I would've had First Place in the State Piano Competition, said the judges, for a Flaw-less performance... but the person who won & had a few note goofs had put FEELING into the music... Hmm. Don't think I ever told my kids this about me. I was 17 and-- honestly-- tired of piano because it was no longer a challenge.... AND NOW? ... At Christmas, singing solos about "Baby Jesus", I often wish I COULD leave out the Feeling... Because I often slip into Weeping, thinking of all we people over centuries have DONE TO "Baby Jesus" who grew up... who suffered unspeakable Ripping Pain because of us. Because of HIS feelings of Love.

***CHRISTMAS POST - FROM November 13, 2014 at 7:41am***

*Good thing I'm a professional singer mostly for .MP3 recordings--- and seldom for "live performances" during the Holydays. I usually manage to control my personal emotions..... It's really abashing to be practicing a beautiful Christmas Cantata solo in front of people and suddenly burst into weeping as hard as I did when Dad died. Some days I can't get through a practice even in my home. **It's a struggle to avoid my mind shifting** from "Little Baby Jesus" to "**The Old Rugged Cross.**"..... but maybe little baby Jesus "who grew up" is pleased also when the music's full of broken-ness within our hearts... not taking His GIFT for granted.*

**December 22 at 9:40pm**

Today is the 4th anniversary of our area's first Guns & Ammo shop-- and its parking lot was packed. Shoppers seeking Christmas gifts. WHATa WAY to celebrate the birthday of the Prince of Peace. ? Weird Sudden Memory that still makes me laugh: There's a now-closed store on a back road I take on way to the ALIVE music festival in Ohio each June -- Route 9 in WV, on a bad curve. The store name is something like "Mama's Gun Shop and Wedding Chapel." Not kidding. Guess Mama would approve these "gift ideas".

Comment 12-22-2017 on Young Earth Christian Creationists Coalition GROUP question asked *what topic you'd bring up if challenged to a debate about the age of the earth.*

**ME: WEATHER CHANGES**... Evidence that in only 100 years, weather has changed... YET math extrapolation going back only 1000 years maximum is being used with the assumption that the SAME weather conditions have existed all along to create the aging process being tested (like carbon dating).



**POST 23 December 2017.** Yesterday at 9:14am ·

IMPT dif Q at the end>> I have known since I was a child that most Christmas celebrations were really selfish & not about CHRIST-mas. Have known since a teen that the True Date is unknown.

**THE IMPORTANT QUESTION:** Does it MATTER that December 25th is not the actual "Christmas Day".

Answer 1, of course not... ANY day is a wonderful day to PRAISE God for sending Jesus to DWELL AMONG US (see John 1:14).

Answer 2: My own grandmother had friends who did not KNOW when their OWN birthday was: Often only those from families who could afford a nice Family Bible with the Babies Born record page knew their own dates.... SO they'd just "Pick a date". And if those who LOVED them wanted to, they'd CELEBRATE that date.

Such FOOLISH arguing amongst us, to care whether "December 25th" is the date when **\*\*GOD\*\*** (Named YHWH, Isaiah 42:6s Hebrew for LORD = YHWH) has **NOT CARED to share that fact**.... or to care that people did NOT celebrate birthdays either back then OR in Jewish tradition. IMPORTANT ANSWER is in most Christmas hymns: O COME LET US ADORE HIM, CHRIST THE LORD... **\*\*\*\*EVERY\*\*\*\*** day.

**24 December 2017** December 24 at 2:28pm ·

Jewish traditions & instructions are recorded in the work they call the "Mishnah", similar to Bible commentaries... explaining how to obey the Torah, or history that's been done. According to the Mishnah, BABY LAMBS often thrash about & hurt their tiny legs in their first hours of life. Caring shepherds (1) carefully checked newborns & set aside those who were perfect: Without Blemish; (2) then SWADDLED each in cloths to comfort & protect them.... AWAY IN A MANGER, the Baby Jesus, the Lamb of God, was laid in SWADDLE cloths.

What became of the lambs? (3) Those Without Blemish-- set aside-- were later SACRIFICED for the Remission of Sins for that one day of sacrifice.....//..... PHOTO: JennedyPaigePaintings - REMISSION scriptures:

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COMMENT LATER: Interesting LINK >

[http://www.arielministries.org/ariel/roar\\_main\\_december2012.html](http://www.arielministries.org/ariel/roar_main_december2012.html)

COMMENT LATER, Dec 25: This is such a gorgeous painting of newborn Baby Jesus! ... I confess that I laugh at pictures that show him looking like a 3 month old little cherub :) But I never noticed until I had my first newborn, how tiny & delicate they are... That Jesus was WILLING to come as! Amazing Love!

**December 25 at 10:25am** ·

My brother & I have passed on a few generations' of our family tradition: Children MAY (after 7 AM!) on Christmas morning, open & play with anything in their Stocking. Our mom packed in great little toys-- and of COURSE, we set aside the orange & dug into the CHOCOLATEs :) ...

We KNEW More & Better was to come! ... But we weren't allowed even a Hint of More until DADDY came & said "It's Time!"... Christmas is our reminder: Jesus came wrapped as our Heavenly Father's Gift, & we can NOW enjoy His Wondrous gifts of Salvation, of Weapons against Evil (Eph. 6:10-), of Love / Joy / Peace (Gal. 5:22-23)... And ONE DAY Father God will say "It's Time!"-- & we'll see More & Better when Jesus Returns to bring us (who truly love the LORD) to Him-- Forever!

**December 26 at 4:01pm**

Poor Calvin! The 6 year old has struggled ALL year to fight temptations to clobber Suzie with snowballs, stay out of the Principal's office, endure his babysitter, not drive his parents crazy... By mid December, **he's pretty sure his failures will result in NO gifts** under the Christmas Tree. END OF STORY: Dec. 25 A.M. Joyful GIFTS PILE!

Cartoonist Bill Watterson deliberately included many **Christian truths** in his CALVIN AND HOBBS strips. This panel is his Picture of GRACE. Sadly-- like for Calvin-- most of us fool ourselves into thinking we managed to "be good enough" when God surprises us with special Blessings...//.. Yet Salvation is an OFFERED-TO-ALL free gift that we **choose** whether to accept: "...NOT of works, lest anyone should boast." (Ephesians 2:8-9).

**27 December 2017.** *Yesterday at 8:16am PHOTO: a CNN News outlet apologizes...*

3 years ago, FAKE NEWS was already rampant about "religious" things. TRUE NEWS from BBC News on 12/26/2014 = **"Egypt has banned a Hollywood film based on the Biblical book of Exodus *because of* what censors described as 'historical inaccuracies' " ...// ....**SO: HOW did "NBC NEWS LIVE" report this?** Long *\*quote\** from TV station reporter who was *READING* from her paper *[no way it was the reporter's fault]* a foreign news report about AMERICA:**

*"Egypt has banned a Hollywood film based on the Biblical book of Exodus; **NO REASON was given**, although Egypt has banned religions films before." ...//.... Most of us have long realized American news is limited, but downright LIES like this are angering. No wonder News Networks mock foreign news, the internet, & Facebook-- They get "caught" in their "errors".*

December 27, 2017 at 8:44 AM ·

Have you noticed? Most sermons are only New Testament, Psalms, or "famous" Old Testament stories. (1) YET JESUS said, "These are the words which I spoke to you while I was still with you, that all things must be fulfilled which were written in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms concerning Me." -- Luke 24:44

(2) YET JESUS EXPLAINED all these on the Road to Emmaus after His Resurrection, Luke 24:27: "And beginning at Moses and all the Prophets, He expounded to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning Himself."....

(3) YET the BEREANS SHOWED what God commends (Acts 17:11): "Now the Berean Jews were of more noble character than those in Thessalonica, for they received the message with great eagerness and examined the Scriptures every day to see if what Paul said was true."... WHY DO WE EXCLUDE God's Original Words so much???

**That's ALL that the Bereans had for studying to compare Paul's words against.**

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**28 December 2017, at 4:28pm**

Do you ever feel like God gives Blessings to SO many people, but Forgets about YOU? .... We moved in June when I was young. In Dec we learned that our new church had FUN TRADITION: It gave gifts to EVERY child on Christmas Sunday. I excitedly waited as gifts were handed out to all... except me. **I was FORGOTTEN**.... But: I figured it wouldn't happen NEXT year. It DID. And the next & next, til we moved after the 4th year. No one cared about me; I said nothing..//....

SO WHAT? It **should ANGER us when people slander God**... even in churches "using Christ's name" (Matt 7:22) **claiming that God predestines some people to get Blessings** Now & His gift of Eternal Life Later-- **but IGNORES others**. What evil SLANDER!.... NO: We don't understand when we FEEL Forgotten: We can KNOW that we are NOT. Simple Logic trusts a Loving Father God. "Even When."

**29 December 2017. noon. 8 hrs** · PHOTO: **PARABLE OF FACEBOOK**

**No matter how BUSY a person is, if they really CARE, they will always find the TIME for you.**" .... I added,  
**"God could say this. John 15"**

You've probably seen: Posts complaining "Facebook hates Christians & hides my posts". Simple math: If 50 friend post tonight & FB put \*ALL\* those posts in your feed, you STILL wouldn't notice all that appeared as you read another's words... Annoying math: FB programming avoids overwhelming your feed by putting only "most popular" posts in it. 2 easy solutions for NO MORE EXCUSES if you REALLY care:

(1) Select MOST RECENT for feed each day;

(2) If you REALLY want to know what a friend is thinking: JUST click on "Friends"  
>> "Search.." for his/her name.. == **TAKE ACTION!**

People complain **"I YEARN to know God's thoughts"---**  
**Easy solution: READ His inspired Bible.**  
**When we REALLY want to know friends' thoughts...**  
**including God's (John 15:9+),**  
**we Take ACTION!**

December 31, 2017 at 8 AM 11 hrs ·

**"Fake leather Christians" look good-- at a distance..** --DianaDee Osborne

I fill 3-4 journals a year with God's song ideas & Bible study & Prayer reminders, & use Brown Leather for each 5th number. Walmart quit selling 300-page ones 2 years ago, so on my trip from Huntsville AL to DC thru back roads like 460, I stopped at most every Walmart to get what was left on shelf; then zip-bagged.

THIS AM, I pulled out one for JOURNAL 35 & went "WAIT a minute!

**This FEELS wrong!"... Looked the same at a glance, but I realized that Casemate had switched to a POOR** quality "leather" binder... Back in the bag it went! Glad to find others had NICE binding.//..

SAD how true Matthew 25 is: So many people *fooling* everyone with their assumed name "CHRIST-ian" (little Christ) that, when their **fake covering** is finally seen -- it is Christ Jesus who gets blamed.

December 31, 2017 at 7 AM 36 mins ·

Greatest benefit of January 1st, versus say July 17?... The NEW YEAR gets us wondering YET AGAIN: **WHERE did Time go?** We laugh & tell teens "You're getting old!" when they ask that Q! ;) ... Us trying to understand God & His abilities including thru what we call TIME is like

**an almost- 2-dimensional flat Paramecium**  
**trying to understand how we 3D humans can do ALL the things that it cannot....** OR, as God asked Job & "Friends" >> *"WHO is this who darkens counsel by words without knowledge?!!! Where were YOU when I laid the foundations of the earth?!! Tell Me, if you have understanding!!!"* ...//... The New Year reminds us:

**"Trust GOD above me or Etc."** He's **WAY** beyond "3-D" that He made.

**NEW YEAR'S DAY, 2018 ....**

1 January at 12:10 A.M. 5 mins ·

First post of the Year: This summer I was stopped at a light after 2 hours of driving north when a huge SUV pulled up beside me in the left lane.

Nice vehicle, so I looked... and all the way thru both its rear, tinted windows I could see a huge brilliant sun shining in the West as it neared the horizon:

Beautiful round orb **that I'd pretty much ignored all day...**

As one of my favorite book titles says:

**THERE'S TREASURE EVERYwhere!!!...**

**We just have to look to see God's blessings**

**that Amaze us when we're Aware....**

**MAY YOU SEE ALL GOD'S BLESSINGS THIS 2018 NEW YEAR!**

**#DianaDee**

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**END of 2017 FALL PARABLES**

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