

SEE NOW THAT I AM HE, THERE IS NO GOD BESIDES ME

DEUTERONOMY 32:39

Forget & Remember

Forget each kindness that you do

As soon as you have done it;

Forget the praise that falls on you

The moment you have won it;

Forget the slander that you hear

Before you can repeat it;

Forget each slight, each spite, each sneer

Wherever you may meet it.

Remember every kindness done

To you, what'er its measure;

Remember praise by others won,

And pass it on with pleasure.

Remember every promise made

And keep it to the letter;

Remember those who lend you aid,

And be a grateful debtor.

From the Children



Dear God, I keep waiting for spring, but it never came yet. Don't forget. — Mark

Dear God, You don't have to worry about me, I look both ways. —Dean

Dear God, I think the stapler is one of your greatest inventions. — Ruth M.

Dear God, I think about you sometimes even when I'm not praying. —Elliott

Dear God, I bet it is very hard for you to love all of everybody in the whole world. There are only four people in our family and I can never do it. —Nan

Dear God, If you watch in church on Sunday, I will show you my new shoes. —Mickey D.

Dear God, I would like to live 900 years like the guy in the bible. Love, Chris

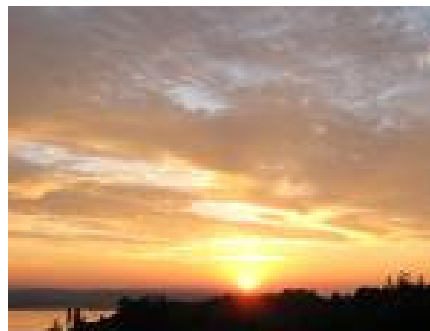
Dear God, We read Thomas Edison made light but in Sunday School they said you did it. I bet he stole your idea. Sincerely, Donna

Dear God, If you let the dinosaurs not be extinct we would not have a country. You did the right thing. —Jonathan

Dear God, I do not think anybody could be a better God. Well, I just want you to know but I am not just saying that because you are God.

“. . . have ye never read, Out of the mouth of babes . . . thou hast perfected praise?" —Matthew 21:16

A Great Way To Live



➤ Why should I say "I can't" when the Bible says I can do all things through Christ who gives me strength (Philippians 4:13)?

➤ Why should I lack when God

supplies all my needs according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus (Philippians 4:19)?

➤ Why should I fear when God has not given me a spirit of fear, but of power, love and sound mind (2 Timothy 1:7)?

➤ Why should I be weak when the Lord is the strength of my life (Psalm 27:1; Daniel 11:32)?

➤ Why should I feel like a failure when I am a conqueror in all things through Christ (Romans 8:37)?

➤ Why should I allow Satan supremacy over my life when He that is in me is greater than he that is in the world (1 John 4:4)?

➤ Why should I lack wisdom when God gives wisdom to me generously when I ask for it (1 Corinthians 1:30; James 1:5)?

➤ Why should I accept defeat when the Bible says that God always leads me in triumph (2 Corinthians 2:14)?

➤ Why should I be depressed when I have God's loving kindness, compassion, and faithfulness to give me hope (Lamentations 3:21-23)?

➤ Why should I worry when I can cast all my care on God who cares for me (1 Peter 5:7)?

➤ Why should I be in bondage when the truth has set me free (John 8:32)?

➤ Why should I feel condemned when there is no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus (Romans 8:1)?

➤ Why should I feel alone when Jesus is with me always, even to the end of the world (Matthew 28:20; Hebrews 13:5)?

➤ Why should I be discontented when I can be content in all my circumstances (Philippians 4:11)?

➤ Why should I feel worthless when Christ values me (1 Corinthians 4:5)?

➤ Why should I have a persecution complex, knowing that nobody can be against me when God is for me (Romans 8:31)?

➤ Why should I let the pressures of life bother me when Jesus has overcome the world and its tribulations (John 16:33)? —adapted from Herb Patnaude

"I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly" —John 10:10

NEIGHBORLY NEWS

Married Without Consent



I have a dear preacher friend who is not married.

While considering his marital state, and the awful misery he must be experiencing, I thought perhaps it would be better if he were married. I have happened upon a plan that would accomplish my desired end, and thought I might share it with our readers.

Some afternoon, while he is sleeping, I will get some fine Christian lady to accompany me, along with the necessary witnesses, to his home. We will

quietly sneak in and, while my friend in sleeping, I will put the question to the bride-to-be:

“Will you take this sleeper to be your lawful wedded husband?”

She will, of course, answer, “I do.”

I will then ask my sleeping brother, “Do you take this woman to be your wife?” Unable to answer for himself, we will permit the woman to answer for him. I will then pronounce them husband and wife, awake my friend, and inform him of his good fortune!

Ridiculous you say? Absolutely. But is there any difference between the procedure in our imaginary intentions and what is done in the modern-day practice of infant baptism? I think not! There is not one single infant upon whom the rite of baptism is pronounced, that is aware of what is taking place. Sponsors (usually the parents) take certain vows on behalf of the babe, for which there is not one shred of evidence in the New Testament to authorize such a practice. When will we learn that only those who believe and confess the name of Christ before men are viable candidates for obedience in the watery grave of baptism.

Think about it. —Tom Wacaster

“He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved ... Mark 16:16



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