

## Wednesday, July 15<sup>th</sup> - Coping with Covid - Morning

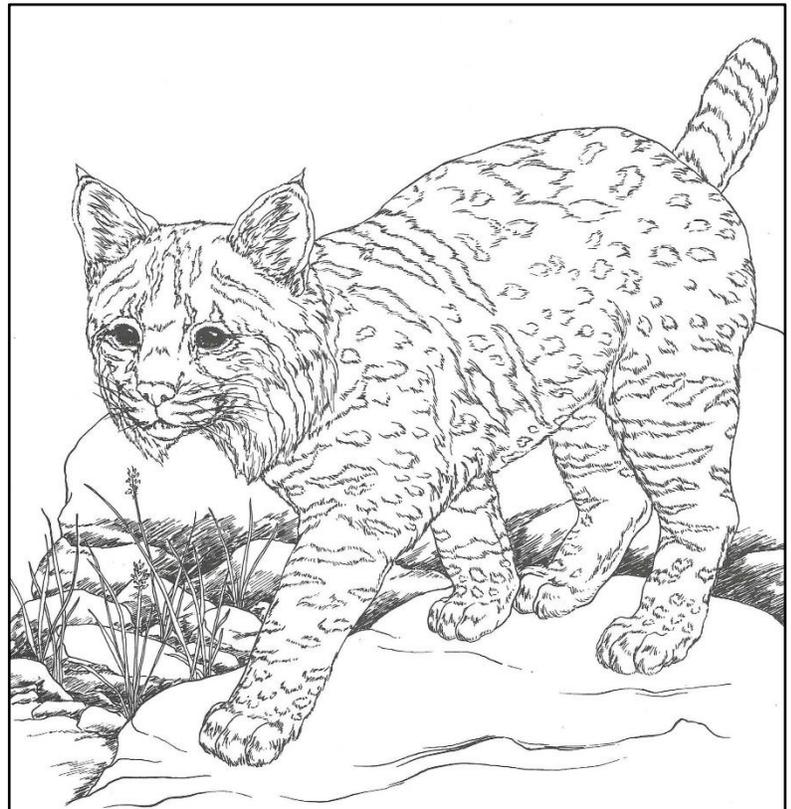
**Laugh it off:** I do not want to brag or make anybody jealous or anything, but I can still fit into the earrings I wore in high school. -- “Give me a sentence about a public servant,” the teacher instructed her second-grade student. “The fireman came down the ladder pregnant,” he answered. “Umm ... Do you know what pregnant means?” “Yes,” said the boy. “It means carrying a child.”

**God’s Comfort: Prov 6:20-24** People do not despise a thief if he steals to satisfy his hunger when he is starving. 31 Yet if he is caught, he must pay sevenfold, though it costs him all the wealth of his house. 32 But a man who commits adultery has no sense; whoever does so destroys himself. 33 Blows and disgrace are his lot, and his shame will never be wiped away. 34 For jealousy arouses a husband’s fury, and he will show no mercy when he takes revenge. 35 He will not accept any compensation; he will refuse a bribe, however great it is. **Psalms 18:46-49** 46 The Lord lives! Praise be to my Rock! Exalted be God my Savior! 47 He is the God who avenges me, who subdues nations under me, 48 who saves me from my enemies. You exalted me above my foes; from a violent man you rescued me. 49 Therefore I will praise you, Lord, among the nations; I will sing the praises of your name.

**Pray Daily – God is easy to talk to:** Dear Father, Let our lights shine so brightly that people will be drawn to us wanting to know You and, as they seek You, they will surely find You. Those who hunger will be filled with satisfaction, for You Lord are our portion and only You can satisfy. Quiet our souls when anger, hatred, sadness or worry fills our minds. Jesus, intercede within our hearts so that we would be kind and gentle to the people that surround us, in Your precious Name we pray, Amen.

**National Day Today (July 15)** Be a Dork Day, I Love Horses Day, Income Tax Pay Day, Sister Cities Day, Give Something Away Day, Gummi Worm Day, Hot Dog Day, Pet Fire Safety Day, Respect Canada Day, Tapioca Pudding Day, Orange Chicken Day, Saint Swithin's Day, Take Your Poet to Work Day, Youth Skills Day.

**Coloring Page:** Need a pastor? Jim Brewster at Gladtodoit@gmail.com or 202-557-8097.



**Bobcat (*Lynx rufus*).** Carnivore of the cat family. About 35 inches long. Brownish with black spots and stripes; tail has black tip. Shrubby areas (West) or swamps and forests (East). Nocturnal. Mexico, most of U.S. (not in parts of South and Midwest), southern edge of Canada.

## Wednesday, July 15<sup>th</sup> - Coping with Covid - Noon

**Laugh it off:** "How do you spell toad?" one of my first-grade students asked. "We just read a story about a toad," I said, then helped him spell it out: "T-O-A-D." Satisfied, he finished writing the story he had begun, then read it aloud: "I toad my mama I wanted a dog for my birthday."

**God's Comfort: Matthew 22:34-40** 34 Hearing that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, the Pharisees got together. 35 One of them, an expert in the law, tested him with this question: 36 "Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?" 37 Jesus replied: "'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' 38 This is the first and greatest commandment. 39 And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' 40 All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments."

**Historical Perspective (July 15) 1606** - Rembrandt Van Rijn born. **1779** - Clement Clarke Moore born – Night Before Christmas. **1876** - First no-hitter in baseball - George Washington Bradley - St. Louis. **1888** - "Printers' Ink" first sold. **1904** - First Buddhist temple in U.S. - Los Angeles. **1931** - Clive Cussler born. **1942** - Glenn Miller recorded "Jukebox Saturday Night." **1946** - Linda Ronstadt born. **1961** - **Forest Whitaker born.** **1968** - "One Life to Live". Premiered. **1992** - Aretha Franklin sings national anthem at the Democratic National Convention.

**Writing for Fun:** Use 100 words and write about a teacher that has influenced you.

**Sample Teacher:** Mr. Simulek spun from the blackboard to the class, chalk in hand and demanded, "Give me a number!" We were silent. "Give me a number," he demanded. "What kind?" someone asked. "Any number," he retorted. "Give me a number." No one wanted to be wrong, even though any number was correct. It took 5 minutes before anyone confidently gave him a number which he used to start his math lesson. I learned that day and remember still 50 years later that most of us are scared to be wrong and will not venture beyond comfort zones without strong assurances they are safe.

**Your Teacher:**

Need a pastor? Jim Brewster at Gladtodoit@gmail.com or 202-557-8097.

## Wednesday, July 15<sup>th</sup> - Coping with Covid - Supper

**Laugh it off:** When my summer teaching post in the Czech Republic came to an end, I told my students my next teaching destination would be in Australia, "the land down under." On my final day, they presented me with a card. The carefully worded note read "Good luck, and happy journey to the underworld."

**God's Comfort: Genesis 22:1-5** 1 Some time later God tested Abraham. He said to him, "Abraham!" "Here I am," he replied. 2 Then God said, "Take your son, your only son, whom you love—Isaac—and go to the region of Moriah. Sacrifice him there as a burnt offering on a mountain I will show you." 3 Early the next morning Abraham got up and loaded his donkey. He took with him two of his servants and his son Isaac. When he had cut enough wood for the burnt offering, he set out for the place God had told him about. 4 On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place in the distance. 5 He said to his servants, "Stay here with the donkey while I and the boy go over there. We will worship and then we will come back to you."

### Quotes/Other Wisdom:

"Better do a good deed near at home than go far away to burn incense." - Amelia Earhart

"Do not abandon yourselves to despair. We are the Easter people and hallelujah is our song." - Pope John Paul II

### Game - Word Search.

Need a pastor? Jim Brewster at Gladtodoit@gmail.com or 202-557-8097.

**8** **Yellow Things**

|   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| E | C | N | T | B | P | O | P | T | D | E | O | O | K | C |
| Z | B | U | S | N | M | I | Z | W | U | F | D | Q | S | U |
| I | A | S | E | U | K | Y | L | C | Y | L | M | J | A | K |
| A | N | E | N | L | C | E | D | S | Q | A | I | C | F | C |
| M | A | H | A | L | P | O | S | L | W | L | R | P | F | I |
| C | N | T | E | H | Q | P | R | E | O | O | E | R | R | H |
| A | A | N | V | K | Z | P | A | C | E | G | C | I | O | C |
| N | O | L | E | M | Y | M | P | E | G | H | I | M | N | W |
| A | S | U | D | S | U | O | Q | Y | N | M | C | R | I | R |
| R | K | P | X | S | P | F | O | K | M | I | C | O | A | Q |
| Y | Y | N | T | C | C | L | E | G | N | O | P | S | Q | M |
| Z | W | A | O | R | K | J | A | S | M | I | N | E | K | W |
| X | R | R | E | M | M | A | H | W | O | L | L | E | Y | X |
| D | N | B | O | C | E | H | T | N | O | N | R | O | C | R |
| X | P | P | U | T | K | L | D | U | C | K | L | I | N | G |

|                 |           |               |
|-----------------|-----------|---------------|
| BANANA          | EGG YOLK  | POPCORN       |
| CANARY          | JASMINE   | PRIMROSE      |
| CHEESE          | LEMON     | SAFFRON       |
| CHICK           | MAIZE     | SPONGE        |
| CORN ON THE COB | MARIGOLD  | THE SUN       |
| COWSLIP         | MELON     | TULIP         |
| CROCUS          | MUSTARD   | YARROW        |
| DUCKLING        | PINEAPPLE | YELLOW-HAMMER |



*The only people for me are the mad ones, the ones who are mad to live, mad to talk, mad to be saved, desirous of everything at the same time, the ones who never yawn or say a commonplace thing, but burn, burn, burn like fabulous yellow Roman candles.*

Jack Kerouac