## Monday, July 20th - Coping with Covid - Morning

Laugh it off: Q. Which is closer, Florida or the moon? A. The moon. You can't see Florida from here. -- Q. Why is a moon rock tastier than an Earth rock? A. It's a little meteor. -- Q: Why didn't the sun go to college? A: Because it already had a million degrees! -- My dad is so cheap that when he dies, he's going to walk toward the light and turn it off.

**God's Comfort: Prov 10:11-15** 11 The mouth of the righteous is a fountain of life, but the mouth of the wicked conceals violence. 12 Hatred stirs up conflict, but love covers over all wrongs. 13 Wisdom is found on the lips of the discerning, but a rod is for the back of one who has no sense. 14 The wise store up knowledge, but the mouth of a fool invites ruin. 15 The wealth of the rich is their fortified city, but poverty is the ruin of the poor. **Psalm 19:7-9** 7 The

law of the Lord is perfect, refreshing the soul. The statutes of the Lord are trustworthy, making wise the simple. 8 The precepts of the Lord are right, giving joy to the heart. The commands of the Lord are radiant, giving light to the eyes. 9 The fear of the Lord is pure, enduring forever. The decrees of the Lord are firm, and all of them are righteous.

**Pray Daily – God is easy to talk to:** Dear Jesus, teach me to be generous; Teach me to serve you as you deserve; To give and not to count the cost, To fight and not to seek for rest, To labor and not to seek reward, save that of knowing that I do thy will. Amen. St. Ignatius Of Loyola.

National Day Today (July 20) Fortune Cookie Day, Hug Your Kid Day, Cake Day, Chess Day, Moon Day, Nap Day, Get Out of the Doghouse Day, Ice Cream Soda Day, Lollipop Day, Ugly Truck Contest Day, Space Exploration Day, Jump Day.

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Coyote (Canis latrans). Carnivore; dog family. About 50 inches long. Gray; legs and ears rustcolored. Mainly nocturnal in open country in Alaska, western and southern Canada, Mexico, and most of U.S. (not in Southeast).

## Monday, July 20th - Coping with Covid - Noon

**Laugh it off**: Q: What do planets like to read? A: Comet books! -- Q. How much room does a fungus need to grow? A. As mushroom as possible. -- Did you hear about the chemist who was reading a book about helium? He couldn't put it down! -- Tip-jar humor in our local coffee shop: "Afraid of Change? Leave It Here."

**God's Comfort: Matthew 24:30-35** 30 "Then will appear the sign of the Son of Man in heaven. And then all the peoples of the earth will mourn when they see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven, with power and great glory. 31 And he will send his angels with a loud trumpet call, and they will gather his elect from the four winds, from one end of the heavens to the other. 32 "Now learn this lesson from the fig tree: As soon as its twigs get tender and its leaves come out, you know that summer is near. 33 Even so, when you see all these things, you know that it is near, right at the door. 34 Truly I tell you, this generation will certainly not pass away until all these things have happened. 35 Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away.

Historical Perspective (July 20) 1801 - 1,235-pound cheese ball given to Thomas Jefferson at White House. 1859 - First time admission (\$.50) baseball game - Brooklyn vs New York. 1919 - Sir Edmund Hillary born - First to climb Mt. Everest. 1929 - Mike Ilitch born - Little Caesar's Pizza. 1938 - Natalie Wood born. 1938 - Diana Rigg born. 1940 - First top ten list – Billboard magazine. 1942 - First Women's Army Auxiliary Corps, (WACS) detachment - basic training at Fort Des Moines, Iowa. 1947 - Carlos Santana born – Musician. 1965 - Bob Dylan released "Like a Rolling Stone". 1969 - First men walk on moon - Neil Armstrong and Edwin E. Aldrin, Jr. 1976 - Viking I robot spacecraft - successful Mars landing.

Writing for Fun: Use 100 words write a story with, ""Did you enjoy yourself last night?".

| Sample "last night?": Mrs. Cramden           | Your "last night?": |
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| looked through the bars at her husband.      |                     |
| He was asleep, snoring loudly, on the        |                     |
| hard bench, covered with a wool blanket.     |                     |
| "Where did you find him this time?" she      |                     |
| asked the guard. "He was at Marina,          |                     |
| swimming and serenading the moon," he        |                     |
| said. "Went there after the Helmsman         |                     |
| closed." She sighed, "Guess you better       |                     |
| wake him so I can get him home." The         |                     |
| guard rattled the bars with his night stick. |                     |
| The man jerked awake and sat up quickly.     |                     |
| His blanket fell revealing his naked         |                     |
| body. She sighed again and said, "Ralph,     |                     |
| did you enjoy yourself last night?"          |                     |

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**Laugh it off:** Because my wife and I are flea market dealers, we usually carry stacks of \$1 bills. Not long ago, we had lunch at a restaurant and paid the check with singles. As our waitress collected the ones, she sized up my 70-year-old wife and said, "You had a good night dancing last night, huh?

**God's Comfort: Genesis 24:5-11** 5 The servant asked him, "What if the woman is unwilling to come back with me to this land? Shall I then take your son back to the country you came from?" 6 "Make sure that you do not take my son back there," Abraham said. 7 "The Lord, the God of heaven, who brought me out of my father's household and my native land and who spoke to me and promised me on oath, saying, 'To your offspring I will give this land'—he will send his angel before you so that you can get a wife for my son from there. 8 If the woman is unwilling to come back with you, then you will be released from this oath of mine. Only do not take my son back there." 9 So the servant put his hand under the thigh of his master Abraham and swore an oath to him concerning this matter. 10 Then the servant left, taking with him ten

of his master's camels loaded with all kinds of good things from his master. He set out for Aram Naharaim and made his way to the town of Nahor. 11 He had the camels kneel down near the well outside the town; it was toward evening, the time the women go out to draw water.

## **Quotes/Other Wisdom:**

"Prosperity is no just scale; adversity is the only balance to weigh friends." - Plutarch

"The great danger for family life, in the midst of any society whose idols are pleasure, comfort and independence, lies in the fact that people close their hearts and become selfish." - Pope John Paul II

"I've loved reading all my life." -John Wayne

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