# Thursday, July 2<sup>nd</sup> - Coping with Covid - Morning

**Laugh it off**: A burglar breaks into a house. He starts looking for valuables. As he reaches for them, he hears, "Jesus is watching you." Startled, the burglar looks for the speaker. Seeing no one, he keeps putting things in his bag, again, he hears, "Jesus is watching you." This time, he sees a parrot. "Who are you?" the burglar asks. "Moses," the bird replied. "Who the heck would name a bird Moses?" the man laughed. "I dunno," Moses answered, "I guess the same kind of people that would name a Rottweiler Jesus."

God's Comfort: Prov 3:9-12 9 Honor the Lord with your wealth, with the first fruits of all your crops; 10 then your barns will be filled to overflowing, and your vats will brim over with new wine. 11 My son, do not despise the Lord's discipline, and do not resent his rebuke, 12 because the Lord disciplines those he loves, as a father the son he delights in. Psalm 10:2-6 2 In his arrogance the wicked man hunts down the weak, who are caught in the schemes he devises. 3 He boasts about the cravings of his heart; he blesses the greedy and reviles the Lord. 4 In his pride the wicked man does not seek him; in all his thoughts there is no room for God. 5 His ways are always prosperous; your laws are rejected by him; he sneers at all his enemies. 6

He says to himself, "Nothing will ever shake me." He swears, "No one will ever do me harm."

Pray Daily – God is easy to talk to: "We know that all things work together for the good of those who love God: those who are called according to His purpose." Romans 8:28 Dear God, thank You that I have been called according to Your plan and purpose, for it is not Your will that any should perish but that all should come to faith in Christ Jesus our Lord. Thank You that in Him there is no condemnation in You. Thank You Lord that You are causing all things to work together to achieve Your great redemptive plan and purpose for mankind. AND thank You that so often I see Your gracious hand working in my life, as You gently transform us into the lovely image of the Lord Jesus Christ, in Whose name we pray, AMEN.

National Day Today (July 2) Compliment Your Mirror Day, Eat Beans Day, Plastic Bag

Free Day, Chocolate Wafer Day, Stay Out of the Sun Day.



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# Thursday, July 2<sup>nd</sup> - Coping with Covid - Noon

**Laugh it off**: A stranger enters a country store and see a sign: "Danger! Beware of Dog!" Inside, an old harmless hound is asleep in the middle of the floor. "Is that the dog I'm supposed to beware of?" he asks the owner. "That's him," was the reply. "He doesn't look dangerous to me. Why did you post that sign?" "Before I posted that sign, people kept tripping over him."

God's Comfort: Matthew 21:1-6 1 As they approached Jerusalem and came to Bethphage on the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, 2 saying to them, "Go to the village ahead of you, and at once you will find a donkey tied there, with her colt by her. Untie them and bring them to me. 3 If anyone says anything to you, say that the Lord needs them, and he will send them right away." 4 This took place to fulfill what was spoken through the prophet: 5 "Say to Daughter Zion, 'See, your king comes to you, gentle and riding on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey." 6 The disciples went and did as Jesus had instructed them.

Historical Perspective (July 2): 1776 - Richard Henry Lee – resolved that the American colonies "are, and of right ought to be, free and independent States" - adopted by Continental Congress. 1881 - Anarchist Charles J. Guiteau shoots President James Garfield. 1890 - Sherman Antitrust Act. 1908 - Thurgood Marshall born. 1916 - Ken Curtis born - Festus - Gunsmoke. 1925 - Medgar Evers born- Civil Rights Activist. 1926 - Army Air Corps established. 1932 - Dave Thomas born - Wendy's. 1937 - Amelia Earhart disappears in Central Pacific. 1947 – Alien spacecraft crashes - Roswell, NM. 1955 - Lawrence Welk Show premiered. 1956 - Elvis Presley records Hound Dog and Don't Be Cruel. 1962 – First Wal-Mart - Rogers, AR. 1964 - "Civil Rights Act of 1964" signed. 1979 - Susan B. Anthony coin released. 1986 - Lindsay Lohan born.1995 - Bill Gates – World's richest man - \$12.9B.

Writing for Fun: Using 100 words write a romance that takes place in the 1980s, in a fitting room, and incorporate a horseshoe and a wedding dress. Your character is an older sister.

Sample Poem: Sarah sighed. The wedding dress was beautiful. The long veil was accented with pearls. The neckline of the form-fitting, silky, satin dress was cut low even for the era just after the civil war. Every man seeing Patricia in it would think only of getting her out of it and into bed. Yet, Pat, as her younger sister called herself, wouldn't consider it. "The war ended 20 years ago, the South is dead. It's the modern era. I'm wearing a riding outfit" She was in the fitting room now trying it on. In that case, Pat's present will be a horseshoe.

**Your Poem:** 

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## Thursday, July 2<sup>nd</sup> - Coping with Covid - Supper

**Laugh it off:** My three-year-old daughter said, "Look at the fly I killed, Mommy" stuck out her hand. Since she was eating a juicy pickle at the time, I washed her contaminated hands under the faucet with antibacterial soap. After sitting her down to finish her pickle, I asked, "How did you kill that fly all by yourself?" Between bites, she said, "I hit it with my pickle.

God's Comfort: Genesis 18:22-28 22 The men turned away and went toward Sodom, but Abraham remained standing before the Lord. 23 Then Abraham approached him and said: "Will you sweep away the righteous with the wicked? 24 What if there are fifty righteous people in the city? Will you really sweep it away and not spare the place for the sake of the fifty righteous

people in it? 25 Far be it from you to do such a thing—to kill the righteous with the wicked, treating the righteous and the wicked alike. Far be it from you! Will not the Judge of all the earth do right?" 26 The Lord said, "If I find fifty righteous people in the city of Sodom, I will spare the whole place for their sake." 27 Then Abraham spoke up again: "Now that I have been so bold as to speak to the Lord, though I am nothing but dust and ashes, 28 what if the number of the righteous is five less than fifty? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five people?" "If I find forty-five there," he said, "I will not destroy it."

### **Quotes/Other Wisdom:**

"By now, you've probably caught on to something: my mother is always standing by with just the right Scripture or inspirational saying to get me through any tough situation." - Gabby Douglas

"You never know when some small thing will lead to a big idea."- Adriana Trigiani

#### Game- Word Search.

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