# Saturday, June 20th - Coping with Covid - Morning

Laugh it off: My ESL students try so hard and are so appreciative. One student paid me the ultimate compliment when she said, "You teach English good." Another assured me, "I will always forget you." And a third insisted, "I thank you from the heart of my bottom."

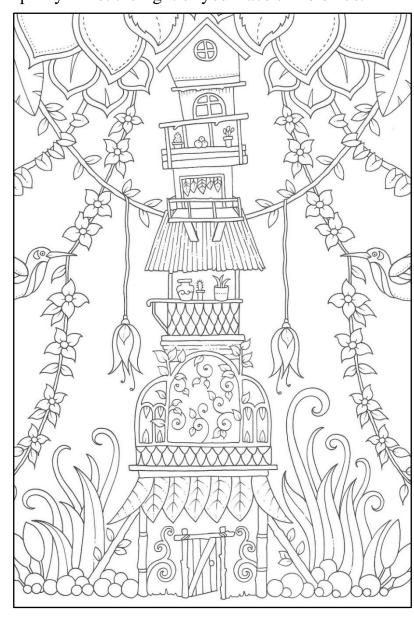
God's Comfort: Prov 30:10-14 "Do not slander a servant to their master, or they will curse you, and you will pay for it. 11 "There are those who curse their fathers and do not bless their mothers; 12 those who are pure in their own eyes and yet are not cleansed of their filth; 13 those whose eyes are ever so haughty, whose glances are so disdainful; 14 those whose teeth are swords and whose jaws are set with knives to devour the poor from the earth and the needy from among mankind. Psalm 4:3-8 3 Know that the Lord has set apart his faithful servant for himself; the Lord hears when I call to him. Tremble and do not sin; when you are on your beds, search your hearts and be silent. 5 Offer the sacrifices of the righteous and trust in the Lord. 6 Many, Lord, are asking, "Who will bring us prosperity?" Let the light of your face shine on us.

7 Fill my heart with joy when their grain and new wine abound. 8 In peace I will lie down and sleep, for you alone, Lord, make me dwell in safety.

Pray Daily – God is easy to talk to: O God of gentle strength, your love embraces me. Within the sureness of your care, my heart rests willingly. Your waters of rebirth have claimed us as your own. As members of one body, we shall never be alone. And when life's challenges eclipse our minds with doubt, let holy wisdom spark a flame to drive the darkness out. Where will the journey lead? The path may be obscure. But promised hope of things unseen will keep our footing sure. - Patricia B. Clark

National Day Today (June 20): American Eagle Day, Cuckoo Warning Day, Asteroid Day, Surfing Day, Mermaid Day, Midsummer, Vanilla Milkshake Day, Summer Solstice, Tall Girl Appreciation Day, World Juggling Day, World Refugee Day. Coloring Page – Rabbit

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### Saturday, June 20th - Coping with Covid - Noon

**Laugh it off**: New York Times writer Amy Chozick gave an example of what it's like working for a fashion magazine: "A girl got on the elevator with a Birkin bag, and her friend goes, 'Oh, my God, I love your bag; is that new?' and she goes, 'No, I got it, like, a week ago.""

God's Comfort: Matthew 19:2-6 2 Large crowds followed him, and he healed them. 3 Some Pharisees came to him to test him. They asked, "Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife for any and every reason?" 4 "Haven't you read," he replied, "that at the beginning the Creator 'made them male and female,' 5 and said, 'For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh'? 6 So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let no one separate."" 7 "Why then," they asked, "did Moses command that a man give his wife a certificate of divorce and send her away?" 8 Jesus replied, "Moses permitted you to divorce your wives because your hearts were hard. But it was not this way from the beginning. 9 I tell you that anyone who divorces his wife, except for sexual immorality, and marries another woman commits adultery."

Historical Perspective (June 20): 1819 - Composer Jacques Offenbach born. 1837 - Queen Victoria becomes queen. 1863 - West Virginia - 35th state. 1909 - Errol Flynn born. 1924 - Audie Murphy born - most decorated in WWII. 1924 - Chet Atkins born. 1928 - General Mills formed. 1931 - Olympia Dukakis born. 1931 - Martin Landau born. 1933 - Danny Aiello born. 1945 - Anne Murray born. 1946 - Bob Vila born - This Old House. 1949 - Lionel Richie born. 1964 - Michael Landon, Jr. born. 1967 - Nicole Kidman born. 1969 - Jimi Hendrix - largest single show paycheck - \$125,000.

Writing for Fun: - Use 100 words to continue, "Move away from the door and let me at him."

Sample Move Away: "Move away from the door and let me at him," I exclaimed as I hurried down the hallway. I got the news early yesterday morning that he had arrived. I drove 18 hours to see him. All the way I thanked God that he was safe; not hurt, damaged, or broken. I had waited two years to meet him and now he was here. My son turned around, smiled at me, and said, "Hi Mom." I gave him a peck on the cheek as I brushed past him into the room. Jenn in the rocking chair smiled at me and said, "Hi Gramma, Meet your grandson."

Your Move Away:

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## Saturday, June 20th - Coping with Covid - Supper

**Laugh it off: Q:** My son was born while I was serving abroad, so he was three before we met. When I got home, I decided it was time for a little father-son bonding time. I bought him a toy razor and invited him to "shave" with me. In the bathroom, I took up my razor and started shaving. I looked around to see how my son was doing. His foot was up on the side of the bathtub, and he was running the razor up and down his leg. So much for male bonding.

God's Comfort: Genesis 15:12-21 12 As the sun was setting, Abram fell into a deep sleep, and a thick and dreadful darkness came over him. 13 Then the Lord said to him, "Know for certain that for four hundred years your descendants will be strangers in a country not their own and that they will be enslaved and mistreated there. 14 But I will punish the nation they serve as slaves, and afterward they will come out with great possessions. 15 You, however, will go to your ancestors in peace and be buried at a good old age. 16 In the fourth generation your

descendants will come back here, for the sin of the Amorites has not yet reached its full measure." 17 When the sun had set and darkness had fallen, a smoking firepot with a blazing torch appeared and passed between the pieces. 18 On that day the Lord made a covenant with Abram and said, "To your descendants I give this land, from the Wadi of Egypt to the great river, the Euphrates - 19 the land of the Kenites, Kenizzites, Kadmonites, 20 Hittites, Perizzites, Rephaites, 21 Amorites, Canaanites, Girgashites and Jebusites."

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

"The friend in my adversity I shall always cherish most. I can better trust those who helped to relieve the gloom of my dark hours than those who are so ready to enjoy with me the sunshine of my prosperity." - Ulysses S. Grant

"Love is the only force capable of transforming an enemy into a friend." - Martin Luther King, Jr.

#### **Game-Word Search**

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