

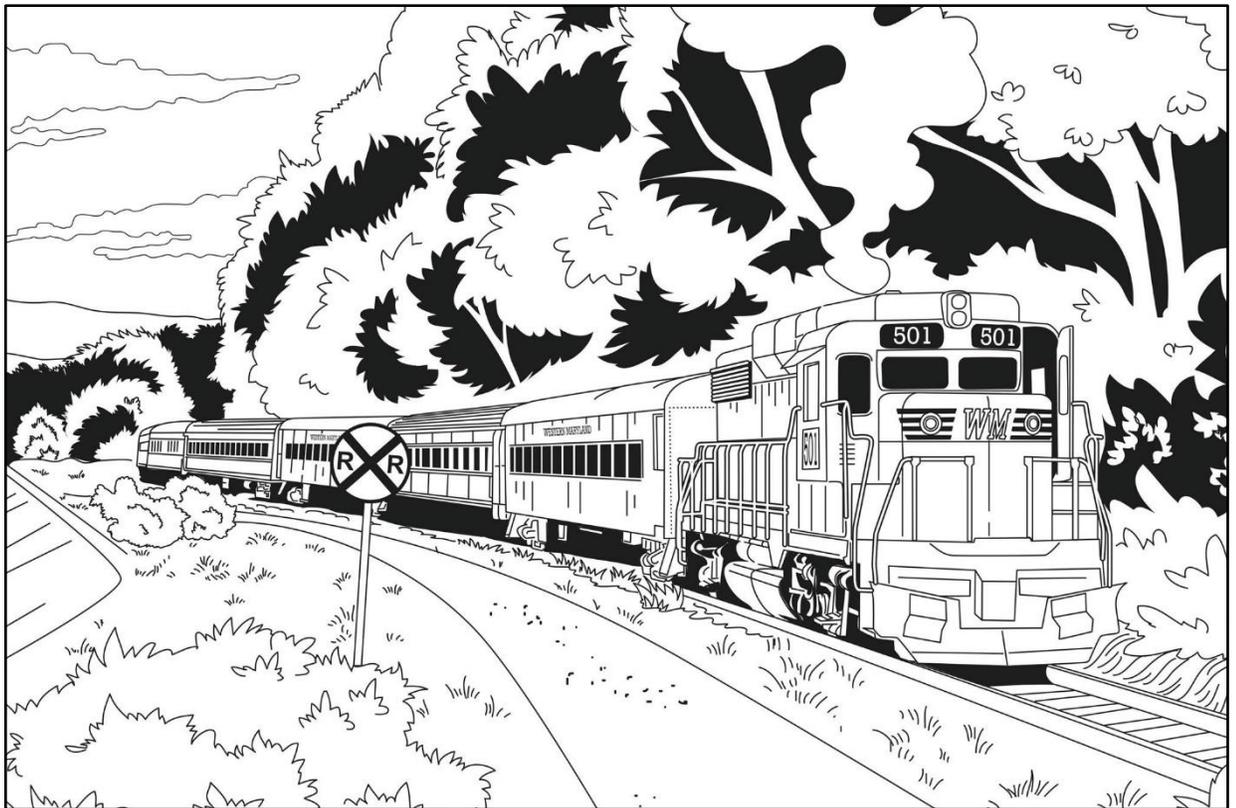
Tuesday May 19th - Coping with Covid - Morning

Laugh it off: A man came through my lane at the grocery store with a jug of wine and a bouquet of roses. But before paying, he set the two items aside and said, "I'll be right back." He ran off, only to return a minute later with a second jug of wine and another bouquet of roses. "Two girlfriends?" I asked. "No," he said. "Just one really angry one."

God's Comfort: Prov 26:1-3 26 Like snow in summer or rain in harvest, honor is not fitting for a fool. 2 Like a fluttering sparrow or a darting swallow, an undeserved curse does not come to rest. 3 A whip for the horse, a bridle for the donkey, and a rod for the backs of fools! **Psalm 143:9-12** 9 Rescue me from my enemies, Lord, for I hide myself in you. 10 Teach me to do your will, for you are my God; may your good Spirit lead me on level ground. 11 For your name's sake, Lord, preserve my life; in your righteousness, bring me out of trouble. 12 In your unfailing love, silence my enemies; destroy all my foes, for I am your servant.

Pray daily - God is easy to talk to: Dear God, Thank You for the joy of companionship and thank You that You have placed dear friends and companions in my life. It's a joy to meet and fellowship with them. Thank You we have such a wonderful faithful friend in Jesus – who is

our never-failing companion. Thank You that He is with us in every season of life and will never fail us nor forsake us. Thank You that in Christ I have received newness of life and become a new creation in Him. Amen.



National Day

Today (May 19): Boys Club Day, Hepatitis Testing Day, Malcolm X Day, May Ray Day, National Devil's Food Cake Day, Plant Something Day.

Coloring Page: I plan to produce a book of the work people did on these sheets. If you'd like to be in the book, please save your work and contact me: Jim Brewster - 202-557-8097 or

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Tuesday May 19th - Coping with Covid - Noon

Laugh it off: Bill responded to an ad for a Christian horse for sale. The owner said, "Just say 'Praise the Lord' to go, and 'Amen' to stop." Bill got on and said, "Praise the Lord." The horse took off at gallop. "Whoa," Bill shouted, "Whoa!" The horse kept running, now straight at a cliff. Then Bill remembered his instruction. He shouted, "Amen." The horse stopped at the edge of the cliff. Saved from death, Bill wiped his forehead and said, "Phew, Praise the Lord."

God's Comfort: Matthew 13:18-23 18 "Listen then to what the parable of the sower means: 19 When anyone hears the message about the kingdom and does not understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what was sown in their heart. This is the seed sown along the path. 20 The seed falling on rocky ground refers to someone who hears the word and at once receives it with joy. 21 But since they have no root, they last only a short time. When trouble or persecution comes because of the word, they quickly fall away. 22 The seed falling among the thorns refers to someone who hears the word, but the worries of this life and the deceitfulness of wealth choke the word, making it unfruitful. 23 But the seed falling on good soil refers to someone who hears the word and understands it. This is the one who produces a crop, yielding a hundred, sixty or thirty times what was sown."

Historical Perspective (May 19): 1795 - Johns Hopkins (Hospital Founder) born. 1857 - Electric fire alarm system patented. 1911 - First American criminal conviction based on fingerprints. 1925 - Malcolm X born. 1934 - Jim Lehrer born – Journalist. 1958 - Bobby Darin releases "Splish Splash." 1960 - The Drifters record "Save the Last Dance For Me." 1962 - Marilyn Monroe sang "Happy Birthday" to JFK. 1974 - Erno Rubik invented Rubik's Cube.

Writing for Fun: Use 100 words and write a mystery piece. The setting is a Racetrack, the character is a fireman, a wine tasting is being held. Incorporate a step stool.

Sample Mystery: Red sipped a glass of chardonnay. "Excellent!" As track Fire Chief, he'd accepted a wine tasting invitation from Rooster Wooster, an up and coming NASCAR driver. Rooster climb into his car. The car roared, the tires squealed, and Rooster was up to 150 by the end of pit row. Rooster had promised his guests a close-up look at racing. Red stepped back, stumbled, and looked down at two lug nuts and a wrench under his feet. "What?" He looked up. A man ducked through a door and ran. "Boom!" The track reverberated with the sound of Rooster hitting the wall at 250.

Your Mystery

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Tuesday May 19th - Coping with Covid - Supper

Laugh it off: I'm lucky that my wife and mother are very close. I realized just how close when I drove my mother to her doctor, something my wife usually does. When the doctor came into the room, my own dear mother introduced me as her "daughter-in-law's husband."

God's Comfort: Genesis 3:1-7 1 Now the serpent was more crafty than any of the wild animals the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God really say, 'You must not eat from any tree in the garden'?" 2 The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat fruit from the trees in the garden, 3 but God did say, 'You must not eat fruit from the tree that is in the middle of the garden, and you must not touch it, or you will die.'" 4 "You will not certainly die," the serpent said to the woman. 5 "For God knows that when you eat from it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." 6 When the woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food and pleasing to the eye, and also desirable for gaining wisdom, she took some and ate it. She also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it. 7 Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they realized they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and made coverings for themselves.

Quotes/Other Wisdom:

"An investment in knowledge pays the best interest." - Benjamin Franklin

"It's what you learn after you know it all that counts." - John Wooden

"Life's simple. You make choices and you don't look back." - The Fast and The Furious

Games: World Cities Word Search

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