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SAGACITY, n. [OF, fro, Latin *sapiens*, fr, *sapere* to be wise] Quality of being sagacious; keenness of discernment or judgment.

SAGE, n. [OF, fr. *sage*, fr. L *sapers* to be wise]

A profoundly wise man; a person of high repute for wisdom; often someone who is venerated for the store of wisdom that has been accumulated during a long life.

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LUTHER'S
COAT OF ARMS

A cross on a heart, resting on the center of the Messianic Rose and surrounded by a circle to symbolize eternity, was adopted by Luther as his own Coat of Arms and as an expression of trust in God. "The Christian's heart is resting on roses E'en while beneath the cross it reposes." The colors are usually gold for the circle; the outlines of the petals, red; the background for the rose, a heavenly blue; the heart, red, and the cross, black.

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UNDER OBSERVATION



Entry one: Excellent fall reading: 34-Ton Bet by Steve Rushin, a Minnesota guy who loves baseball for the idiosyncrasies.

Entry two: Every African violet on the flower table (15) is blooming all at once. It's a shame I've forgotten the names of the varieties over the years, but they've been transplanted or regenerated so often the names were lost.

Entry three: Sports writing requires imagination – one team will always win – until it loses. And vice versa.

Entry four: Three of the stray channels the antenna gives me have a major portion of advertising for law firms ready to sue any manufacturer or firm for anything. Must be big business..

Entry five: What a glorious autumn!

Entry six: It's November 5th and I'm painting the screen door on the porch and the door on the tool shed. They haven't been white in years. The sun is drying the paint and no bugs are dying on it for a polka dot finish.

Entry seven: The other shoe finally dropped. Now, a week to learn how to drive in slush, walk on ice on the sidewalk, and figure out how many layers to wear.

Entry eight: On a slow TV evening (it's fairly often) I resorted to PBS and learned how to get seeds out of a pomegranate. What a treasure!

Entry nine: Hey, the Lutherans in Minnesota and the Dakotas made the final question on Jeopardy! On December 1st.

Entry ten: One of those "we cure everything" ads proposes we eat apricots, tart cherries and sweet potatoes to deal with our aches and pains. It used to be fun to eat good food and enjoy it..

Entry eleven: Until I stood next to him, the size of the Gopher football tackle was only a statistic – oh my! His dad was my student and 6'6" at the time. The next generation grew wider and bigger, bless him.

Entry twelve: The Rose Bowl game was the most entertaining football of the season. The purists say the low-scoring game is usually better. But seeing those young men just run up and down the field, seeming to enjoy it, was a treat.

Entry thirteen: January is cold just the way it's supposed to be at this latitude. Why does that come as a surprise to people, especially TV weathermen?

Entry fourteen: Suppose you give a thought to politicians. That's enough. A prayer would be better.

Chocolate Improves its Image

Old news: It's bad for you, period.

Latest news: Maybe not so bad. Chocolate contains large amounts of the same beneficial plant chemicals that now have burnished the reputation of tea. In fact, just one ounce of chocolate has about as much of these plant chemicals as a cup of brewed black tea. One large, ongoing study of the benefits of exercise found that men who eat chocolate in moderation (one to three bars a month) live longer than those who eat none. Nobody knows why. And moderation remains the word.

Tea – Your New Best Friend?

Old news: A pleasant beverage

Latest news: All teas – green, black, and red (but not herb teas) - contain a range of beneficial chemicals that may reduce the risk of many cancers and that act as antioxidants. Drinking tea regularly may protect arteries from plaque build-up. Tea does not, as was once believed, promote bone loss.

Ephesians Two

“Saved by Grace” might be the title of this chapter, for it gives one of the sublimest expositions of the ultimate purpose of God in His redemptive act. It is rich with terms like “grace” and “love” and “peace” and “life” and applies these terms to our lives as we see our Salvation in Christ Jesus.

1. Divide this chapter into two main parts, and give a title for each part.
2. What type of death is the apostle speaking of in v.1?
3. What fundamental doctrine is contained in the last part of v. 3? Compare it to Psalm 51:5.
4. Find several blessings of God that Paul mentions in this chapter. (See vv.4-10)
5. What is distinctive about vv. 8 and 9? What should our reaction be toward this doctrine?
6. Analyze v. 10. In what way are we His workmanship? What part do works play in the life of the converted sinner? What does it mean that God “before ordained” or prepared in advance works for us to do? See Chapter 1:4. What is your reaction to this information?
7. Specifically who is the apostle addressing in vv. 10 and 11? Who are called “uncircumcision”? “Circumcision?” To which group do we belong?
8. Give a one-word reaction to v. 13?
9. What is the middle wall of partition” or barrier in v. 14? What type of “peace” is meant in this verse? Compare vv. 13 and 15 with 16-18.
10. Verse 16 mentions one body – by what name would we call this body today?
11. What type of foundation did the apostle and prophets provide? What beautiful and fitting picture of Christ is given in vv.20-21? See Isaiah 28:16. What beautiful description of the believer is given in v. 19?

12. What type of building is described in vv. 21 and 22? See I Peter 2:5 and 1 Corinthians 3:16. What should be our part in the “church”?
13. What is the relation between the Priesthood of Believers and v. 22?
14. Share with your group the “learnings” from this chapter that are important to you.

Grandma’s Apron

Use of Grandma’s apron was to protect the dress underneath, but along with that, it served as a holder for removing hot pans from the oven. It was wonderful for drying children’s tears, and on occasion was even used for cleaning dirty ears.

From the chicken-coop the apron was used for carrying eggs, fussy chicks, and sometimes half-hatched eggs to be finished in the warming oven.

When company came those aprons were ideal hiding places for shy kids. And when the weather was cold, grandma wrapped it around her arms.

Those big old aprons wiped many a perspiring brow, bent over the hot wood stove. Chips and kindling wood were brought into the kitchen in that apron.

From the garden, it carried all sorts of vegetables. After the peas had been shelled, it carried out the hulls. In the fall the apron was used to bring in apples that had fallen from the trees.

When unexpected company drove up the road, it was surprising how much furniture that old apron could dust in a matter of seconds.

When dinner was ready, Grandma walked out onto the porch, waved her apron, and the men knew it was time to come in from the fields to dinner.

It will be a long time before someone invents something that will replace that “old-time apron” that served so many purposes.

REMEMBER THIS! “Grandma used to set her hot baked apple pies on the window sill to cool. Her grandchildren set theirs on the window sill to thaw.”

Thrivent

A new pastor was visiting in the homes of his parishioners. At one house it seemed obvious that someone was at home, but no answer came to his repeated knocks at the door. Therefore, he took out a card and wrote “Revelation 3:30a” on the back of it and stuck it in the door.

When the offering was processed the following Sunday, he found that his card had been returned. Added to it was this cryptic message, “Genesis 3:10.”

Reaching for his Bible to check out the citation, he broke up in gales of laughter. Check the citations to see why.

Senior Linkage Line
Minnesota Board on Aging
 (651) 431-2500 or 1-800-333-2433
www.mnaging.org

Minnesota Better Business Bureau
 (651) 699-1111 or (800) 646-6222
www.thefirstbbb.org

Charities Review Council
 651-224-7030 or 1-800-733-4483
www.smartgivers.org

To All the Kids who Survived the 1930's, 40's, 50's, 60's, and 70's!

First we survived being born to mothers who smoked and/or drank while they were pregnant. They took aspirin, ate blue cheese dressing, tuna from a can, and didn't get tested for diabetes.

Then after that trauma, we were put to sleep on our tummies in baby cribs covered with bright colored lead-based paints.

We had no childproof lids on medicine bottles, locks on doors or cabinets, and when we rode our bikes, we had baseball caps, not helmets on our heads.

As infants and children, we would ride in cars with no car seats, booster seats, seatbelts or air bags.

Riding in the back of a pickup truck on a warm day was always a special treat.

We drank water from the garden hose, and not from a bottle.

We shared one soft drink with four friends, from one bottle and no one actually died from this.

We ate cupcakes, white bread, real butter and bacon. We drank Koolaid made with real white sugar. And, we weren't overweight ... Why? Because we were always outside playing...that's why!

We would leave home in the morning, and play all day, as long as we were back when the street lights came on. No one was able to reach us all day. And, we were OK.

We would spend hours building our go-carts out of scraps, and then ride down the hill, only to find out we forgot the brakes. After running into the bushes a few times, we learned how to solve the problem.

We did not have Playstations, Nintendos and X-boxes. There were no video gamers, no 150 channels on cable, no video movies or DVD's, no Surround-sound or CD's, no cell phones, no personal computers, no internet, and no chat rooms. We had friends, and we went outside and found them!

We fell out of trees, got cut, broke bones and teeth, and there were no lawsuits from these accidents.

We ate worms and mud pies made from dirt, and the worms did not live in us forever.

We were given BB guns for our tenth birthdays, made up games with sticks and tennis balls, and, although we were told it would happen, we did not put out our many eyes!

We rode bikes or walked to a friend's house, and knocked on the door or rang the bell, or just walked in and talked to them.

Little League had tryouts, and not everyone made the team. Those who didn't, had to learn to deal with disappointment. Imagine that!

The idea of parent bailing us out if we broke the law was unheard of. They actually sided with the law!

These generations have produced some of the best risk-takers, problem solvers and inventors, ever!

The past 50 years have been an explosion of innovation and new ideas.

We had freedom, failure, success and responsibility, and we learned how to deal with it all.

If you are one of them?

CONGRATULATIONS!

Have you taken a tumble or slipped in the past year? Are you afraid of falling?

You are not alone. Falls can happen to anyone. Don't let the fear of falling keep you from activities you enjoy. Stay right side up by following these simple suggestions.

Be Safe at Home. Most falls occur at home. Stay safe and independent in your home by moving things you can trip over and watching out for pets in your path. Put away those throw and scatter rugs, which make it easier to trip, slip, and fall.

Enjoy the Outdoors. Being outside in the fresh air can help you to feel good. When you step outside, give your eyes time to adjust to the outdoor light. Wear sunglasses to reduce glare and see well. Stay safe by using your cane or walking aid.

Don't Be Swept Off Your Feet. Your feet get you where you need to go. If your feet hurt, you will be less active, which could increase your risk of a fall. Keep your feet healthy and stay right side up.

Move Your Body. Moving your body every day can help you feel better and enjoy life more. Thirty minutes a day of exercise is recommended but break it into 10-15 minutes blocks if that is easier — it's the daily total that matters.

Know Your Medications. Medications are used to help us feel better and can be any prescription medicine, vitamins, herbal supplements, or over-the-counter remedies you buy at the drugstore. Some medicines or combinations of medicines have side effects that may cause you to lose your balance or feel unsteady on your feet. Talk with your pharmacist or doctor about all of your medications and side effects.

*Learn more at the Minnesota Falls Prevention website, www.mnfallsprevention.org, or call the Senior LinkAge Line® at 1-800-333-2433

Get a Good Night's Sleep

Being older doesn't mean you have to be **tired** all the time. You can do many things to help you get a good night's sleep. Here are some ideas:

Follow a regular sleep schedule. Go to sleep and get up at the same time each day, even on weekends or when you are traveling.

Avoid napping in the late afternoon or evening, if you can. Naps may keep you awake at night.

Develop a bedtime routine. Take time to relax before bedtime each night. Some people read a book, listen to soothing music, or soak in a warm bath.

Try not to watch television or use your computer, cell phone, or tablet in the bedroom. The light from these devices may make it difficult for you to fall asleep. And alarming or unsettling shows or movies, like horror movies, may keep you awake.

Keep your bedroom at a comfortable temperature, not too hot or too cold, and as quiet as possible.

Use low lighting in the evenings and as you prepare for bed.

Exercise at regular times each day but not within 3 hours of your bedtime.

Avoid eating large meals close to bedtime—they can keep you awake.

Stay away from caffeine late in the day. Caffeine (found in coffee, tea, soda, and chocolate) can keep you awake.

Remember—alcohol won't help you sleep. Even small amounts make it harder to stay asleep.

Half a loaf is better than no loafing at all!

Ten Best Things To Say If You Get Caught Sleeping at Your Desk:

10. "They told me at the blood bank this might happen."
9. "This is just a 15 minute power-nap like they raved about in that time management course you sent me to."
8. "Whew! Guess I left the top off the Whiteout. You probably got here just in time."
7. "I wasn't sleeping! I was meditating on the mission statement and envisioning a new paradigm."
6. "I was testing my keyboard for drool resistance."
5. "I was doing a highly specific Yoga exercise to relieve work-related stress."
4. "Darn! Why did you interrupt me? I had almost figured out a solution to our biggest problem."
3. "The coffee machine is broken..."
2. "Someone must've put decaf in the wrong pot."

AND THE #1 BEST THING TO SAY IF YOU GET CAUGHT SLEEPING AT YOUR DESK . . .

1. ". . . in Jesus' name. Amen"

Abby says: If "10 Reasons for Swearing" make the offenders take a moment to cool off, they're certainly worth sharing:

1. It pleases Mother so much
2. It's a fine mark of manliness
3. It proves that I have self-control
4. It indicates how clearly my mind operates.
5. It makes my conversation so pleasing to everybody.
6. It leaves no doubt in anyone's mind as to my good breeding.
7. It impresses people that I have more than an ordinary education.
8. It's an unmistakable sign of culture and refinement.
9. It makes me desirable personally among women and children in respectable society.
10. It's my way of honoring God, who said, "Thou shall not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain."

On the employee bulletin board: **In case of fire, flee the building with the same reckless abandon that occurs each day at quitting time.**

Learning to spell in English can create a spell

From: Minnesota Newspaper Assn. "Bulletin"

- a. The bandage was wound around the wound.
- b. The farm was used to produce produce.
- c. The dump was so full that it had to refuse more refuse.
- d. We must polish the Polish furniture.
- e. He could lead if he would get the lead out.
- f. The soldier decided to desert his dessert in the desert.
- g. Since there is no time like the present, he thought it was time to present the present.
- h. A bass was painted on the head of the bass drum.
- i. When shot at, the dove dove into the bushes.
- j. I did not object to the object.
- k. The insurance was invalid for the invalid.
- l. There was a row among the oarsmen about how to row.
- m. They were too close to the door to close it.
- n. The buck does funny things when the does are present.
- o. A seamstress and a sewer fell down into a sewer line.
- p. To help with planting, the farmer taught his sow to sow.
- q. The wind was too strong to wind the sail.
- r. After a number of injections my jaw got number.
- s. Upon seeing the tear in the painting I shed a tear.
- t. I had to subject the subject to a series of tests.
- u. How can I intimate this to my more intimate friend?



One day a couple of rabbits found themselves chased by a pack of wolves. They dashed into a thicket and stood there for a moment, panting.

"Well," one said to the other, "do you think we should keep running or stop here till we outnumber them?"

Missing Letters of BIBLE BOOKS

Following is a list of books of the Bible which contain two or more letters which are the same. These letters have been left out. Can you identify these books of the Bible?

Example: Gni = Genesis

1. Palm = _____
2. Slmn = _____
3. Sh = _____
4. Lmeios = _____
5. Zephni = _____
6. Mlchi = _____
7. Levtcus = _____
8. Nmia = _____
9. Liat = _____
10. Dutrnmy = _____
11. Zkil = _____
12. Hi = _____
13. Obdih = _____
14. Zecri = _____
15. Hbu = _____
16. Mahew = _____
17. Clian = _____
18. Ius = _____
19. Corthas = _____
20. Theloi = _____
21. Hbrws = _____
22. Gltins = _____
23. Imohy = _____
24. Phian = _____
25. Ptr = _____

(Answers on page 12)

A girl doing her homework asked her father to explain the difference between anger and exasperation. Going to the telephone, he dialed a number and had his daughter listen. "Hello," he said to the man who answered, "is Melvin there?"

"There's no one here named Melvin," was the reply. "Why don't you look up numbers before you dial them."

The father dialed the number again, "Hello, is Melvin there?" he asked.

"Now look!" the man yelled. "I just told you that there's no Melvin here." Then he slammed down the receiver.

"You see," the father explained, "that was anger. Now I'll show you exasperation."

Again the father dialed the number and when a voice roared "Hello" he calmly said, **"This is Melvin. Have there been any calls for me?"**

Four expectant fathers were in a hospital waiting room while their wives were in labor. The nurse comes in and tells the first man, "Congratulations, you're a father of twins."

"What a coincidence," the man exclaims, "I work for the Minnesota Twins baseball team."

The nurse returns a short while later and tells the second man, "You're the father of triplets."

"Wow, what a coincidence," her replies. "I work for the 3M Corporation."

When the nurse comes again, she tells the third man that his wife has given birth to quadruplets.

"Another coincidence. I work for the Four Seasons Hotel," he says.

At this point, the fourth guy faints. When he comes to, the others ask what's wrong.

"What's wrong? I work for Seven-Up!"

A young kid is sitting on the swing in a park, eating an exorbitantly large amount of candy. An elderly man comes to him, and trying to be a positive influence, says, "Son, you shouldn't be eating all that candy. It's bad for your teeth and for your health!"

The boy looks at him and replies, very matter of factly, "Well, my grandfather lived to be 105 years old."

The man is astounded and curious about the grandfather's secret. "Did he eat a lot of candy?"

The boy replies, "No, he minded his own business."

An 85-year-old widow went on a blind date with a 90-year-old man. When she returned to her daughter's house later that night, she seemed upset.

"What happened, Mother?" the daughter asked.

"I had to slap his face three times," the mother answered.

"You mean he got fresh?" the daughter asked.

"No," answered the mother. "I thought he was dead!"

ENGLISH CREATIVITY

One goose, 2 geese. So one moose, 2 meese?

One index, 2 indices?

Doesn't it seem crazy that you can make amends but not one amend?

If you have a bunch of odds and ends and get rid of all but one of them, what do you call it?

If teachers taught, why didn't preachers praught?

If a vegetarian eats vegetables, what does a humanitarian eat?

Sometimes I think all the English speakers should be committed to an asylum for the verbally insane.

In what language do people recite at a play and play at a recital? Ship by truck and send cargo by ship. Have noses that run and feet that smell?

How can a slim chance and a fat chance be the same, while a wise man and a wise guy are opposites?

You have to marvel at the unique lunacy of a language in which your house can burn up as it burns down, in which you fill in a form by filling it out, and in which, an alarm goes off by going on.



A group of elementary school students were on a field trip to the local police station. Several of the children were fascinated by the wanted

posters on the wall. Little Billy raised his hand and asked the police officer giving them the tour who the people on the wall were.

"Those are pictures of criminals we are looking for," answered the policeman. "We call those wanted posters."

Little Billy looked puzzled. His hand shot back up into the air. "Well," he wondered, "why didn't you just keep them when you took their pictures?"

Daffy-nitions

Adult: A person who has stopped growing at both ends and is now growing in the middle.

Beauty Parlor: A place where women curl up and dye.

Cannibal: Someone who is fed up with people.

Chickens: The only animal you eat before they are born and after they are dead.

Committee: A body that keeps minutes and wastes hours.

Dust: Mud with the juice squeezed out.

Egotist: Someone who is usually me-deep in conversation.

Gossip: A person who will never tell a lie if the truth will do more damage.

Handkerchief: Cold storage

Inflation: Cutting money in half without damaging the paper.

Myth: A female moth.

Mosquito: An insect that makes you like flies better.

Raisin: Grape with a sunburn.

Secret: Something you tell to one person at a time.

Skelton: A bunch of bones with the person scraped off.

Toothache: The pain that drives you to extraction.

Tomorrow: One of the greatest labor saving devices of today.

After a huge snowfall, Ole and Lena woke up and heard a snow emergency announcement on the radio that instructed people to park their cars on the even side of the street. Eager to cooperate, Ole jumped in the car and parked it on the even side of the street.

Ole and Lena, the next morning, woke up after another big snowfall and heard a snow emergency announcement on the radio that instructed people to park their cars on the odd side of the street. Ole, eager to cooperate again, hopped in the car and parked it on the odd side of the street. On the third morning, Ole and Lena woke up and turned on the radio, but there was no snow emergency message.

"What do we do now?" Ole questioned. "There was no announcement on the radio."

"Well, replied Lena, "maybe we should just keep the car in the garage today."

Maintenance Tips for Winterizing a Car

Winter. Temperatures and wind chills that can take your breath away. Snow and ice that make stepping outside a dangerous proposition. You know all too well how winter affects you.

If you live where it snows, you know the damage that snow, ice, loose gravel and salt can do to your car. Minor scratches and nicks turn to rust, your heater gets a workout it may not be prepared for, and your windshield must deal with the temperature stress of a warm interior and a freezing exterior.

Windshield safety. Thermal shock is the term engineers use to describe the stress caused by dramatic differences in outdoor and indoor temperatures. If you have a small ding in your windshield, thermal shock can cause your minor ding to turn into a major crack.

Repairing a small ding costs as little as \$50 to \$60. Replacing a cracked windshield can cost hundreds of dollars, on some cars, the cost may be even higher. If the damage is reported quickly, the odds are much improved that you can save the windshield. It is important to perform the repair before dirt infiltrates into the break. Get a windshield saver patch. These patches cover the break until it can be repaired and do not obscure your vision.

To attain optimum consumer safety, an expert recommends repairing a windshield whenever possible, instead of replacing it. Repair not only saves the windshield, it preserves the factory's seal of windshield to auto body.

Since passenger side air bags deploy off the windshield, preserving the factory installation is an important safety consideration. Keeping the factory's original adhesive set also helps avoid air and water leaks.

Fluids. As any mechanic will tell you, checking fluids is the least expensive and easiest preventive maintenance you can do. Change your oil frequently (consult your owner's manual for recommended frequency), and do not forget to change your engine coolant (diluted with 50 percent water) and transmission fluid, about every two years.

Pure engine coolant can freeze at zero degrees, but mixing with water prevents freezing

and provides great protections for the cold weather.

Though fluids like oil and transmission are commonly checked, other fluids integral to your vehicle's performance, may go unnoticed. Power steering, brake, radiator and battery fluids also should be filled to recommended levels.

Do not forget to top off the windshield washer fluid. If you have ever driven after salt trucks have come through to melt snow and ice, you know the importance of windshield washer fluid. Do not dilute washer fluid with water since it can freeze during winter's harsh temperatures. While you are at it, you might want to change the wiper blades to prevent poor vision in already poor driving conditions.

Batteries, corroded cables. Winter mornings can wreak havoc on an older battery. The average life of a battery is 3 ½ years. If your battery is older than that, it is probably time to replace. Have a mechanic check the battery and cables to ensure your car starts quickly and reliably.

Anything made of rubber Worn, bald or badly aligned or balanced tires can mean accidents on ice, rain or snow. Have your tires checked for proper inflation and alignment, and rotate them every 6,000 miles. If you live in unusually snowy areas, you may want to consider snow tires for added traction, or keep chains in your trunk or garage to help you through heavy snowfall.

Rubber parts under your hood need maintenance, too. Radiator, heater and vacuum hoses, among others, should be checked for cracks and bulges. Also, inspect all belts for damage and splits.

Rust, minor scratches, nicks Road salt can turn a slight scratch or nick to an ugly rust spot that is impossible to avoid. And it can spread. Avoid costly body work by restoring spots before they turn into larger problems.

A paint restoration system corrects many problem spots, from bodywork by restoring spots before they turn into larger problems.

Boots Front wheel drive vehicles equipped with CV (constant velocity) joints should have the boots checked for rips and cracks. Boots protect CV joints, but when the joints are exposed to salt, ice and snow, they can damage the joint. Replacing a joint can cost hundreds of

dollars, but replacing a boot costs a small fraction of that.

Spark plugs Worn or misfiring spark plugs can affect how efficiently a vehicle burns the fuel/air moisture, ultimately affecting engine performance. Worn spark plugs waste gas and increase exhaust emissions, so have them check and replaced often.

Brakes Do not postpone needed brake work. It is dangerous to drive with poorly performing brakes, especially in snowy weather. Postponing brake service also can cause the cost of overhauling your brake system to skyrocket.

Lights Last, but not least, check your lights. Accidents can occur if you cannot see where you are driving, or if other drivers cannot see you, especially as we approach winter's short days and long nights.

Email Ads with Ambiguous Wording

2 female Boston Terrier puppies, 7 wks old, perfect marking. Call 555-1234. Leave mess.

Dinner Special – Turkey \$2.35; Chicken or beef \$2.25; Children \$2.00.

Now is your chance to have your ears pierced and get an extra pair to take home, too.

We do not tear your clothing with machinery. We do it carefully by hand.

Fall Sale—Eight puppies from a German Shepherd and an Alaskan Husky.

Tired of cleaning yourself? Let me do it.

Mt. Kilimanjaro, the breathtaking backdrop for the Serena Lodge. Swim in the lovely pool while you drink it all in.

Get rid of aunts. Zap does the job in 24 hours.

Toaster: A gift that every member of the family appreciates. Automatically burns toast.

Stock up and save! Limit: one

Used cars: Why go elsewhere to be cheated? Come here first!

Wanted: Hair-cutter. Excellent growth potential.

Wanted: Man to take care of cow that does not smoke or drink.

3-year old teacher needed for pre-school. Experience preferred.

Our experienced Mom will care for your child. Fenced yard, meals, and smacks included.

Auto Repair Service: Free pick-up and deliver. Try us once, and you'll never go anywhere again.

Illiterate? Write today for free help.

Semi-Annual after-Christmas Sale.

And now, the Superstore—unequaled in size, unmatched in variety, unrivaled inconvenience.

We will oil your sewing machine and adjust tension in your home for \$1.00.

Bizarre Facts

- A duck's quack doesn't echo, and no one knows why.
- On average, 100 people choke to death on ballpoint pens every year.
- Thirty-five percent of the people who use personal ads for dating are married.
- Elephants are the only animals that can't jump.
- Only one person in two billion will live to be 116 or older.
- No word in the English language rhymes with "month."
- "Typewriter" is the longest word that can be made using letters only on one row of the keyboard.
- "Go" is the shortest complete sentence in the English language.
- On average, Americans eat 18 acres of pizza every day.

An amateur photographer was invited to dinner with friends and took along a few pictures to show the hostess. She looked at the photos and commented, "These are very good! You must have a good camera."

He didn't make any comment, but as he was leaving to go home, he said, "That was a really delicious meal. **You must have some very good pots.**"

Top 10 Caddy Remarks

- #10 Golfer: "That can't be my ball; it's too old."
Caddy: **"It's been a long time since you teed off, sir!"**
- #9 Golfer: "I'd move heaven and earth to break 100 on this course."
Caddy: **"Try heaven; you've already moved most of the earth."**
- #8 Golfer: "Do you think my game is improving?"
Caddy: **"Yes, sir, you miss the ball much closer now."**
- #7 Golfer: "Do you think I can get there with a 5 iron?"
Caddy: **"Eventually."**
- #6 Golfer: "You've got to be the worst caddy in the world."
Caddy: **"I don't think so, sir; that would be too big a coincidence."**
- #5 Golfer: Please stop checking your watch all the time; it's too much of a distraction."
Caddy: **"It's not a watch; it's a compass!"**
- #4 Golfer: "How do you like my game?"
Caddy: **"Very good sir, but personally, I prefer golf."**
- #3 Golfer: "Do you think it's a sin to play on Sunday?"
Caddy: **"The way you play, sir, it's a sin on any day."**
- #2 Golfer: "This is the worst course I've ever played on."
Caddy: **"This isn't the golf course. We left that an hour ago."**
- #1 Golfer: "Think I'm going to drown myself in the lake."
Caddy: **"Think you can keep your head down that long?"**

BIBLE BOOKS answers (from page 8)

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| 1. Psalms | 14. Zechariah |
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Norwegian Medical Terminology

Artery	The study of paintings
Barium	What you do when CPR fails
Cesarean Section	A district in Rome
Colic	A sheep dog
Coma	A punctuation mark
Congenital	Friendly
Dilate	To live long
Fester	Quicker
G.I.Series	Baseball games between teams of soldiers
Grippe	A suitcase
Hangnail	A coat hook
Medical Staff	A doctor's cane
Morbid	A higher offer
Nitrate	Lower than the date rate
Node	Was aware of
Outpatient	A person who has fainted
Post-operative	A letter carrier
Protein	In favor young people
Secretion	Hiding anything
Serology	Study of English knighthood
Tablet	A small table
Tumor	An extra pair
Urine	Opposite of you're out
Varicose Veins	Veins which are very close together

Marvelously Mature

1. You and your teeth don't sleep together.
2. You try to straighten out the wrinkles in your socks and discover you aren't wearing any.
3. At the breakfast table you hear snap, crackle, pop and you're not eating cereal.
4. You wake up looking like your driver's license picture.
5. It takes two tries to get up from the couch.
6. Your idea of a night out is sitting on the patio.
7. Happy hour is a nap.
8. You say something to your kids that your mother said to you and you always hated it.
9. All you want for your birthday is to not be reminded of your age.
10. You step off the curb and look down one more time to make sure the street is still there.
11. Your idea of weight lifting is standing up.
12. It takes longer to rest than it did to get tired.
13. Your address book has mostly names that start with Dr.
14. The pharmacist has become your best friend.
15. Getting "lucky" means you found your car in the parking lot.

∞ SEVEN SIMPLE GIFTS ∞

The Gift of Listening *But you must really listen. No interrupting, no daydreaming, no planning your response. Just listening.*

The Gift of Affection *Be generous with appropriate hugs, kisses, pats on the back and hand holds. Let these small actions demonstrate the love you have for family and friends*

The Gift of a Written Note *It can be a single "Thanks for the help" note or a full sonnet. A brief handwritten note may be remembered for a lifetime, and may even change a life.*

The Gift of a Compliment *A simple and sincere, "You look great in red." "You did a super job!" or "that was a wonderful meal," can make someone's day.*

The Gift of a Favor *Every day, go out of your way to do something kind.*

The Gift of Solitude *There are times when we want nothing better than to be left alone. Be sensitive to those times and give the gift of solitude to others.*

The Gift of a Cheerful Disposition *The easiest way to feel good is to extend a kind word to someone . . . really, it is not that hard to say, "Hello" or "thank you" .*



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And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near. Hebrews 10:24-25

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