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## David's Devotional Believe The Truth

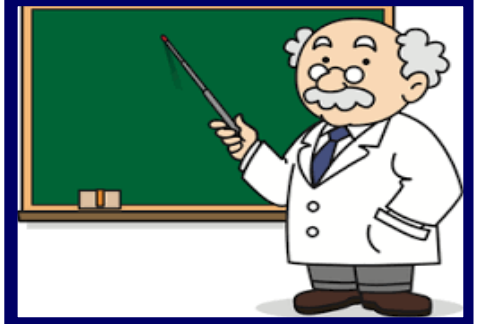
W.T. Allison was a great Gospel Preacher! In one of his lessons, he made this statement, *"If you live your life as if God does not exist, you had better be right!"*

The way we live our lives is based in large measure on what we believe to be true. If we do not believe God exists, then our actions will reflect that. If God actually does exist, we will be held accountable for not believing.  
*"But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him."* **Hebrews 11:6**

Suppose we are asked this question: *"Which tastes better, milk chocolate or dark chocolate?"* Whatever answer we give would be true for us, but it may not be true for someone else! The *"truth"* in this case is *"relative"* to the opinion and taste of each person.

The TRUTH about the existence of God is NOT *"relative"*! He either exists or He does not exist. Therefore, if we choose to *"believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of them that diligently seek Him"* then we are pleasing to God. Many choose not to believe. How terrible it will be when they find out they are wrong! Believe the TRUTH!

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### An Interesting Quote:

*"Prayer connects us with God's limitless potential."* Henry Blackaby

*"Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us,"*

**Ephesians 3:20**

God is limitless! As Paul says in this verse, God can do more than we can ask for or even imagine! Prayer is the powerful access we have to God!

God wants us to connect with Him He sacrificed His Son to make it happen. When we pray through the authority of Jesus Christ, we are in the will of God!

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### Did You Know?

Autumn began in September for us

The day the Sun appeared directly above the equator was September 23rd. From that day forward it has been moving to the south of the equator making our days shorter and our nights longer. Temperatures will soon become cooler! Sunlight makes an enormous difference in our lives.  
 Jesus said He is the *"Light of the World"*  
 John 8:12  
 Has the Sun Light made a difference in our lives?

## What Happened?

Debra organized a Trip for "The Liberty Lights". What happened?

Monday we traveled all day and ate a lot!

Tuesday we visited "The Creation Museum" and "The Ark Encounter", and ate a lot!

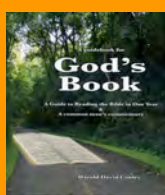
Wednesday we visited "The Cain Ridge Meeting House", "Claiborne Farms", shopped in Lexington, and ate a lot!

Thursday we traveled all day, visited Abraham Lincoln's Birthplace, and ate a lot!

What seems to be the overall objective of a Liberty Lights Trip?



Went with "The Liberty Lights" from Liberty Church of Christ to see "The Ark Encounter"



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## Once Upon A Time ...

*"To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under heaven"*  
**Ecclesiastes 3:1**



### Loaves & Hamburger Meat

When Mama brought in ground beef (we called it "*hamburger meat*"), Daddy would get a big pinch of it and eat it raw!

Those of us who thought this was cool would do the same. Mama would get upset. She wasn't worried about Escherichia Coli (*E Coli*) poisoning - that wasn't a thing back then anyway!

Mama was worried about how she was going to stretch the small amount of meat that was left to feed eight people! To make this happen Mama would get a loaf of bread (we called it "*light bread*") and pinch it into pieces. She would add the bread to the meat. Almost miraculously, a small handful of meat multiplied into a large mass. It was delicious!

When I moved to Mississippi over ten years ago I learned more about *Slug Burgers*. I did not know that they were invented in Corinth, Mississippi during the depression. In order to make ground beef go further and cost less, the inventors added potato flakes and flour. Today, some companies add soy beans to get more out of their meat. Mama had her own version of the slug burger!

When Jesus wanted to feed a multitude he did it with loaves and fishes **Matthew 14:19**. Mama did it with loaves and hamburger meat!

I realize Mama didn't perform miracles, but sometimes when I think about all the things she accomplished ... it makes me wonder! Miracles or not, I have no doubt God was looking out for us!

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## Help Them Cry



A mother was worried because her daughter was now fifteen minutes late!

She was supposed to walk straight home from the school which was just down the street. When she finally arrived, her mother scolded her sternly. "*Why didn't you walk straight home? I was worried sick!*"

The young girl replied, "*I was walking with my friend. She dropped her doll and it broke.*"

"*So you stayed with her to help her fix her doll?*" her mother asked. "*No,*" answered the child, "*It was too badly broken. I stayed with her to help her cry!*"

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When was the last time we cried? It is quite natural to cry, even though we are often taught that "*big boys and girls don't cry*". In **John 11** Jesus himself wept with Mary and Martha when his friend Lazarus died. Crying is a normal response to many emotions we humans have.

Many prefer to cry alone, but sometimes people need others around them when they are responding to circumstances that cause them to cry. They need a friend to lean on, to support them during a dark hour.

They don't want us to tell them that it will be all right, or that we know how they feel, or that we will somehow make the hurt go away. They know we don't really know whether or not it will be all right, they know we don't really know how they feel, and they know we have no idea how to make the hurt go away.

What they want us to do is help them cry!

In **John 11**, Jesus knew it would be alright. He knew exactly how they felt. He knew He was about to make everything all right and make their hurt go away, but what He did in that moment was simply help them cry!

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## A Funny Thing Happened ...



The preacher's house was burglarized! As the burglar walked through the home late at night, he heard the parrot say, "*Jesus is watching you!*"

The thief was startled for a moment, but when he realized the warning had come from a parrot he said, "*Be quiet, Polly!*" The parrot replied, "*My name is not Polly.*"

Unable to resist, the thief responded, "*Then what is your name?*" "*My name is Moses*", the parrot said. This made the thief curious. "*What kind of homeowners name their parrot Moses?*" he asked. To his horror, the parrot said, "*The same ones that name their Rottweiler Jesus!*"

The preacher thought of **Revelation 16:15** "*Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed is he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame.*"

Jesus is coming soon. We don't know the exact moment, but we know it is closer than it was yesterday. The question is, are we watching for Him? There is no question He is watching us!