"Thoughts to Ponder"

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Here we are, passing the one-year mark, that the COVID pandemic, has been in our midst, and wow! how our lives have changed. We ponder many questions daily. How long will it last? When will things get back to normal? When will our families be able to have reunions? How long are we going to have to wear masks? When can we go to a party and dance?

The answer is, "I don't have the answer". But one thing I know for sure, we are running the marathon of life. And for those of us that are runners or watch runners, we remember rule number one of running, "always keep your eye on the finish line, and don't look back". If you look back for too long, you'll trip. How do you keep your eye on the finish line? with complete faith and diligent prayer.

To elaborate a bit, let me share with you a short inspirational, on the lighter side, titled "Some Points to Ponder on Faith and Prayer"....

- Funny how a \$100 "looks" so big when taken to the charity plate, but so small when taken to the mall.
- Funny how long it takes to serve G-d for an hour, but how quickly a team plays 60 minutes of basketball.
- Funny how long a couple of hours spent at prayer are, but how short the same hours are when watching a movie.
- Funny how people can't think of anything to say when they pray, but don't have difficulty thinking of things to talk about to a friend.
- Funny how people get thrilled when a baseball game goes into extra innings, but complain when a sermon is longer than the regular time.
- Funny how hard it is to read a chapter in the bible, but how easy it is to read 100 pages of a best-selling novel.
- Funny how people want to get a front seat at any game or concert, but scramble to get a back seat at worship services.
- Funny how people need 2- or 3-weeks advance notice to fit a religious event into their schedule, but can adjust their schedule for other events at the last moment.
- Funny how hard it is for people to learn a simple gospel well enough to tell others, but how simple it is for the same people to understand and repeat gossip.
- Funny how people believe what the newspaper says, but question what the Bible says.
- Funny how everyone wants to go to heaven provided they do not have to believe, or to think, or to say, or do anything.
- Funny how people can send a thousand 'jokes' through e-mail and they spread like wildfire, but when you start sending messages regarding faith and prayer, people question if it is politically correct.

FUNNY, ISN'T IT? Just a little 'food for thought', to ponder and pass along to your loved ones, it will help warm the soul. Spread the Word and give thanks to the Lord for He is good!

A parting short story to keep you smiling...

An eye witness account of what happened Downtown, on a cold day in December, some years ago: A little boy, about 10-years-old, was standing before a shoe store on the Avenue, barefooted, peering through the window, and shivering with cold. A lady approached the young boy and said, "My, young man, you're in such deep thought staring in that window!"
"I was asking God to give me a pair of shoes", was the boy's reply. The lady took him by the hand, went into the store, and asked the clerk to get half a dozen pairs of socks for the boy. She then asked if he could give her a basin of water and a towel. He quickly brought them to her. She took the little fellow to the back part of the store and, removing her gloves, knelt down, washed his little feet, and dried them with the towel.

By this time, the clerk had returned with the socks. Placing a pair upon the boy's feet, she purchased him a pair of shoes. She tied up the remaining pairs of socks and gave them to him... She patted him on the head and said, "No doubt, you will be more comfortable now".

As she turned to go, the astonished kid caught her by the hand and looking up into her face, with tears in his eyes, asked her.

"Are you God's wife?" ... End of story...

Each of you go out EVERY day and do G-d's work of keeping His children safe, we are MOST grateful, and for that we say, THANK YOU! THANK YOU! And by the way, "Are YOU G-d's brother's and sister's"? Just asking!

On behalf of ALL your Chaplains, May G-d bless you and keep you safe. Should you ever need a shoulder to lean on or an ear to listen, don't hesitate to give us a call.

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