



## **"LOOK WHO'S CALLING"**

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Isn't it amazing how G-d works in our lives! Recently, on a Saturday night several weeks ago, a fellow Reverend, a friend of mine, was working late at his Temple, and decided to call his wife before he left for home, and let her know he's on his way. It was about 10:00 PM, but his wife didn't answer the phone. The Reverend let it ring many times.

He thought it was odd that she didn't answer, but decided to wrap up a few things and try again in a few minutes. When he tried again, she answered right away. He asked her why she hadn't answered the phone before, and she said that it hadn't rung at their house. They brushed it off as a fluke and went on their merry ways.

The following Monday, the pastor received a call at the Temple office, which was the phone that he'd used that Saturday night. The man that he spoke with on the other end of the line, wanted to know why he received a call from this number on Saturday night.

The Reverend couldn't figure out what the man was talking about. Then the man said, "The phone rang and rang, but I didn't answer the phone, I just let it ring." The Reverend remembered the mishap and apologized for disturbing him, explaining that he'd intended to call his wife.

The man said, "That's okay, but please let me tell you, my story. You see, I was planning to commit suicide on Saturday night, but before I did, I prayed, 'G-d if you're out there, and you don't want me to do this, give me a sign now, give me a sign that you care'. At that point my phone started to ring. I looked at the caller ID, and it said, 'Almighty G-d'. I was afraid to answer!"

The reason why it showed on the man's caller ID that the call came from "Almighty G-d" is because the Temple that the Reverend attends is called "Almighty G-d Tabernacle"!!!

Moral of the story: Remember, our prayers are always answered, sometimes we see the name on our caller I.D. and other times we just have to have faith that G-d will never forsake us, and G-d loves us regardless how we feel about ourselves. Amen to that!

PLEASE NOTE: For the curious - The spelling the name of G-d.

I do not spell out the name of G-d out of respect. Spelling out The Name and then throwing it in the trash, to some it is considered a desecration of The Name, so I put in the dash. This is a personal religious custom I follow, and please don't be offended. Thanks for understanding.

A now a little humor from the "Moshe Files" to keep you smiling... titled "Thinking out of the box".

You are driving down the road in your Corvette on a wild, stormy night, when you pass by a bus stop and you see three people waiting for the bus:

1. An old lady who looks as if she is about to die.
2. An old friend who once saved your life.
3. The perfect partner you have been dreaming about.

Which one would you choose to offer a ride to, knowing that there could only be one passenger in your car?

This is a moral/ethical dilemma that was once actually used as part of a job application. You could pick up the old lady, because she is going to die, and thus you should save her first. Or you could take the old friend because he once saved your life, and this would be the perfect chance to pay him back. However, you may never be able to find your perfect mate again. What would you do? .... Please let's be fair, stop reading for a few moments and think, perhaps "out of the box", the answer will make you smile.

You will find this interesting.....

The candidate who was hired (out of 200 applicants) had no trouble coming up with his answer. He simply answered: 'I would give the car keys to my old friend and let him take the lady to the hospital. I would stay behind and wait for the bus with the partner of my dreams.'

Sometimes, we gain more if we are able to give up our stubborn thought limitations.

Never forget to 'Think Outside of the Box.' ...End of story. Just for the record, if you got the answer, stop me the next time we meet and remind me I owe you an extra piece of candy.

Before we close, to all the members of my flock of the Jewish faith, as we are about to celebrate the Jewish New Year, best wishes to you, your families and your love ones

for a Shana Tova, a Happy and blessed new year filled with joy, happiness and most of all good health. May the coming year be one of your best ones yet!

Remember: If you need something, ask G-d, if you don't, thank G-d.

On behalf of ALL your Chaplains, may G-d bless you, keep you safe, and always keep you in His loving care. Should you need an ear to listen, a shoulder to lean on, or perhaps have some good humor to share, (I take my humor seriously lol) please do not hesitate to give us a call.

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