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GIVING THANKS

We thank Him above all for His Son, Jesus Christ, without Whom we could not have eternal salvation. We thank Him that He has prepared a place for us in heaven. We thank Him for His wonderful presence in our lives---for all He does. We thank Him that He loves and protects and comforts and guides us. We thank Him that He wants our love. We thank Him that He hears and answers our prayers. We thank Him that He knows all things and that He is in control of all things, and that He has us in His hands. We thank Him for providing for all our needs and for His perfect plans for our lives. We thank Him for His holy Word, with its unchanging truth that we can depend upon at all times. We thank Him for other believers all over the world who are our Brothers and Sisters in Him. And we thank Him for His goodness, His justice, His mercy and compassion, His grace, His healing power, and on and on. We can never thank Him enough!

CALIFORNIA

Taxes! Taxes! Taxes! Rules and regulations! The highest rates of all the states in our great nation!

There's fires, floods, and drought, and power going out, all of which makes matters worse no doubt, In the State of California.

We listen to the news and hear opposing views, and so it's hard to know which way things should go.

If you think it really stinks and want to go away, your'e not alone; there's other places you can stay,
Than the State of California

So pack your stuff when things get tough for you to stay, and join the ones who've moved away.

The exodus goes on, and many folks are gone. But for ones who remain, life will never be the same In the State of California. G.S.

Writing poems is fun, but the reality is that California is not the paradise it once was, and that is <u>not</u> fun any more for many people these days: it has become so problematical that they are leaving for other, more hospitable, states. Even big corporations are finding other states in which to operate, and that means that those who (should) pay huge taxes will no longer be funding what goes on here in California. And that means, of course, that the rest of us who remain will have to take up the slack. Considering all the disasters that have been happening all over America, (not to mention the rest of the world) let's praise God and thank Him for the way He has kept us safe right here in Northern California. As we watch the news each day, let us continue to pray for His protection from fires, the drought, and other disasters that people are suffering through in other parts of the world. Thank You, Lord, for all You do for us.

THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK

Dick Ines, Internet

Tell me, and I'll forget; show me and I may remember; involve me, and I'll understand. Chinese proverb Evil men do not understand justice, but those who seek the Lord understand it fully. Proverbs 28:5

SHORTEST BOOKS IN THE BIBLE

The shortest book in the Old Testament only has 1 chapter. Obadiah is its name, and that one chapter consists of 21 verses, dealing with the permanent end of the nation of Edom. Though I have read through the Old Testament many times, I did not notice that fact before. Seems like every time you go through the Bible, something new turns up for your attention. And the New Testament contains four one-chapter books---Philemon, (25 verses), II John, (13 verses), III John, (15 verses), and Jude, (25 verses.) Did you realize this? To me, it just makes the Bible more interesting to discover such facts.

DEATH IN THE CHURCH FAMILY

Johnny Anderson was found dead in his car on August 13. Not much is known about him or his family. He was the young man who sat in church with Larry and Loreen. None of the church people expected him to die, and we do not know the cause at this time. Pray that the church people will soon find out what happened, and pray for his family too when we discover who they are and let them know.

SEEN ON SIGNS

On a nuclear scientist's door: Gone Fission . On the door of a music library: Bach in a minute. On a music teacher's door: Out Chopin. Outside a hotel: 0Help! We need inn-experienced people.

At a farmer's field: The farmer allows walkers to cross the field for free, but the bull charges.

In a muffler shop: No appointment necessary. We'll hear you coming.

In an optometrist's office: If you don't see what you're looking for, you're in the right place.

In a veterinarian's waiting room: Be back in five minutes. Sit! Stay!

In a non-smoking area: If we see you smoking, we will assume you are on fire, and take appropriate action.

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THE YEAR 1908; BELIEVE IT OR NOT!

The average life expectancy was 47 years. Only 14% of the homes had a bathtub. Only 8% of the homes had a telephone. More than 95% of all births took place at home. Only 8,000 cars and only 144 miles of paved roads. Maximum speed limit in most cities was 10 mph. Average wage: 22 cents an hour. The average worker made between \$200 and \$400 per year. 90% of all doctors had no college education. They attended so-called "medical schools", many of which were condemned in the press and government as substandard. The American flag had 45 stars. Sugar cost 4 cents a pound.

Canada passed a law that prohibited poor people from entering into their land for any reason.

The population of Las Vegas, Nevada was only 30! Crossword puzzles, canned beer, and ice tea had not been invented yet. Two out of every 10 adults couldn't read or write, and only 6% of Americans had graduated from high school. Marijuana, heroin, and morphine were all available over the counter at the local drugstore. Eighteen% of households had at least 1 full-time servant. There were about 230 reported murders in the entire United States.

And look at us now! Try to imagine what it will be like 100 years from now!

AIR BAGS WORK

A teen phoned her father at work for a chat on her new cell phone. "Sorry, Darling," he said. "I'm really busy at the moment. I haven't got time to talk." "Oh," she said, "This won't take long. It's just that I've got good news and bad news." "Look," he repeated, "I really am busy. Just give me the good news." "Well." she said, "The air bag works!"