

Sunday, September 1

BETTER THAN BREAD CRUMBS

Proverbs 3:6

Think about Him in all your ways, and He will guide you on the right paths.

In the story of Hansel and Gretel, Hansel dropped bread crumbs along the path so the pair could find their way back home.

If you focus on Jesus, you'll always know what to do and where to go.



September 2 is Labor Day.

Labor Day is always on the first Monday of September and signals the end of summer.

Monday, September 2

THE ONE AND ONLY

Jeremiah 10:10

Yahweh is the true God; He is the living God and eternal King.

Around the world there are many different religions: Islam, Hinduism, and Buddhism—just to name a few. People of these religions do not worship the God you know in Christianity. There is only one true God to worship.

Tuesday, September 3

BE CAREFUL LITTLE TONGUE

Exodus 20:7

Do not misuse the name of the LORD your God, because the LORD will not leave anyone unpunished who misuses His name.

You probably hear a lot of people today using God's name in vain or saying "OMG." Using God's name carelessly is disrespectful to Him. He deserves better than that!

Wednesday, September 4

WHAT'S IT WORTH?

1 Thessalonians 2:12

Walk worthy of God, who calls you into His own kingdom and glory.

What do you think about when you see a penny, a nickel, a dime, or a quarter? One way or another, you think about what each coin is worth.

God values you very much! Live your life worthy of Him who gives you worth.

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Do you struggle with saying things that aren't pleasing to God?

Take a moment and ask God for help.

Sign your name here to commit to speaking respectfully about God.

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Sunday, September 15

SURE SUCCESS

Proverbs 16:3

Commit your activities to the LORD, and your plans will be achieved.

Do you know anyone who says he's a Christian but doesn't act like it? A real Christian desires to please God in everything. Since God can accomplish anything, He has the power to make sure you succeed in anything you do for Him.



work hard to treat the person you like the most and the least the same this week. Ask God for help!

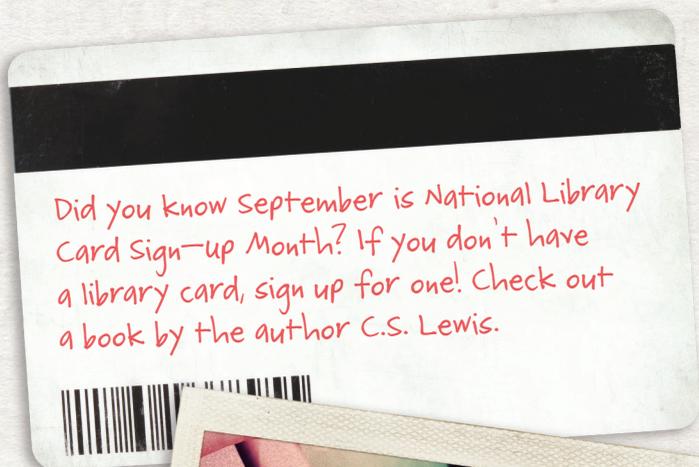
Friday, September 13

TRUTH BE TOLD

Psalms 86:11

Teach me Your way, Yahweh, and I will live by Your truth.

In the Bible, God tells you everything you need to know for both this life and the life to come. He tells you that you need Jesus to pay for your sins, and that by believing in Him you can have eternal life. The Bible also tells how you should live your life right now.



Be on Jesus' team!

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Saturday, September 14

A REAL BIG SHOT

Job 38:4

Where were you when I established the earth? Tell Me, if you have understanding.

Your friends may think you're cool when you talk back to your teacher or put down your sister. The only way to be a winner is to be on Jesus' team. He's the most valuable player. The next time you feel like bragging, remember that Jesus is the real big shot.

Monday, September 16

TALKING IT UP

Galatians 6:14

As for me, I will never boast about anything except the cross of our LORD Jesus Christ.

Everyone likes to talk about things he does well. When you talk about yourself over and over again, that's called bragging or boasting. The Bible says that the only thing you should boast or brag about is what Jesus did on the cross for you.





Sunday, September 29

LIVE AND IN PERSON

1 Peter 5:10

The God of all grace ... will personally restore, establish, strengthen, and support you after you have suffered a little.

Would you rather listen to a musician in concert or on a CD? Being there with a musician makes the experience extra special. Have you ever thought about the fact that God is available to you, live and in person, each day?

Monday, September 30

GOD OF ALL COMFORT

Psalms 34:18

The LORD is near the brokenhearted; He saves those crushed in spirit.

Everyone needs to be comforted when life is difficult. With God, however, there is no need for a teddy bear. He is there for you and will comfort you when you feel discouraged and down.



September 30 is National Mud Pack Day. A mud pack is good to put on a bee sting when you need comforting.



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WE LOVE BECAUSE HE FIRST LOVED US. *1 John 4:19*

CHOOSING YOUR ATTITUDE

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It's the last inning and your team is down by a run with a man on third base. You're up at bat and can tie the game. Three pitches later you are called out on strikes.

DO YOU:

- (A) Throw your bat and complain that the pitch was a ball?
- (B) Encourage your teammate who is batting next?

You worked extremely hard on an English paper. When you get it back, it has a red "C-" at the top.

DO YOU:

- (A) Tell your teacher how unfair she is?
- (B) Explain that you worked hard on the paper and ask why you didn't get a better grade?

Your parents accuse you of spilling soda on the computer. You try to explain that your brother did it, but they refuse to listen and ground you.

DO YOU:

- (A) Go to your room and slam the door?
- (B) Wait until your parents calm down and try to explain what happened again?



Check out 1 Peter 2:12 to learn more about a good attitude.

Life is full of difficult situations. You can't do anything to avoid many of these trials, but you can always control how you respond. Sure, it's easier to choose (a) in the situations above, but here are three good reasons to choose (b) instead:

1. A bad attitude never makes things better. When has a bad attitude made a situation better for you? Probably never. Instead, a bad attitude almost always makes things worse. The Bible tells you that doing what is right and being gentle and kind benefits you (Proverbs 15:1).
2. A bad attitude never pleases God. It's easy to have a bad attitude in difficult times because you are angry you didn't get your way or are just confused. Proverbs 3:5 tells us that we should trust in God completely, even during a trial. Sometimes life doesn't seem fair or make sense, but keeping a good attitude shows that you trust God no matter what.

3. A bad attitude never helps others. You will hardly ever go through a difficult time alone. Usually, other people will be involved and they will see how you respond. The Bible tells you that if you have a good attitude during a trial, you will help people see Jesus in you (1 Peter 2:12). Think about it. Jesus had every reason to have a bad attitude when He was arrested and crucified, but He didn't have one. You can keep a good attitude too.

So how can you keep a positive attitude even when life is tough? Here are two quick ways:

- **PRAY.** Ask God to give you patience, peace, and joy. He wants you to have a good attitude and can give you one.
- **READ THE BIBLE.** The Bible is full of people who went through trials and difficulties. Be encouraged by the ones who handled them right and learn from the mistakes of the ones who didn't.

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