

Focus on Jesus

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WESTMINSTER CHAPEL

(Westminster Chapel was a small church I served for about eleven years. It was located near Bluefield, West Virginia)

“Me and Moose don’t pray!”

One New Year’s day I visited a lady who was a prospective member of our church. She had expressed interest in becoming a member of our ladies’ group. I knew her husband wasn’t very happy with the church but I decided to deal with that problem later.

When I arrived at the home the lady was most gracious. She immediately escorted me to her kitchen table for coffee. Shortly her husband came in and sat with us. He knew who I was but did not seem to object to my being there.

In a few minutes someone knocked on the front door. The husband went to the door and welcomed a friend. His friend was very large and was introduced as “Moose.” He commented he had come to watch the football games because he didn’t have a TV.

The lady and I continued to visit but the two men were getting

restless. They wanted to see some football action so I decided it was time for me to leave. I asked the lady if we could pray together. She said she would like that very much.

Suddenly her husband burst out with, “Me and Moose don’t pray!”

I replied, “I’m sorry about that. However would you and Moose mind bowing your heads and closing your eyes while your wife and I pray?”

He nodded assent then did as I asked. After our prayer I went on my way. (just one miracle, but wait a bit.)

My visit was concluded but God had plans for these three of His children.

The next week or so I went back to the area of the home I had visited on New Year’s day. I parked my car and before I could get out, Moose was standing on the road looking at me. He was carrying a huge walking stick.

As I got out of the car he said, “I knew you would come back to see some people and I’ve come to protect you from the mean dogs that

live around here.” All I could say was, “Thank you.”

It occurred to me that God had performed several miracles. First He made it possible for me to pray with and for some non-prayers. He also handed me three prospective church members and He provided me with a protector! Seems like a **bundle** of miracles to me!

OUR GOD IS GREAT! He walks with us and provides us with what we need. He never fails!

A LAWYER ASKED JESUS WHICH IS THE GREATEST COMMANDMENT.

Luke 10:27 (NRSV)

He answered, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself.”

JOSEPH AND THE AMAZING TECHNICOLOR DREAM COAT

Earlier this month the ROCKs had an outing to Goldsboro. Twelve had lunch together at Dee’s Dinner then went to the Paramount to see the Dream Coat. Following the play they stopped for ice cream.

Everyone had a great time. Be sure to join the ROCKs on their next special trip.

HAVE YOU EXAMINED YOUR WILL LATELY?

Checking our will is a good idea for all of us.

I know a man who didn’t have a will and didn’t think he needed one. He was dead wrong. He did have a will, one that the state wrote for him.

Most states, North Carolina included, have what is known as the Law of Decent and Distribution. In the absence of a will this law disposes of a deceased individual’s worldly property. Does that suit you? If not, check with a lawyer.

IT IS WHAT IT IS!

I’ve heard lots of folks make this statement. I believe it should be altered to “It is what I decide to make it”.

God gives us lots of choices. He even lets us decide whether to spend eternity with Him or without Him.

For the most part we will be exactly as happy as we choose to be.

Several days ago I talked with a friend who has very poor eyesight. He was elated! Daylight saving time makes it possible for him to attend his church on Sunday nights and prayer meetings on Wednesday nights.

He is happy because of the things he can do! What a wonderful attitude God has given him!