

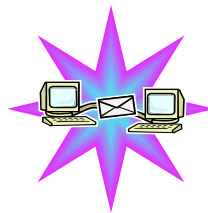


E-MAIL MINISTRY

This ministry was started June 6 to provide uplifting weekly messages to whoever wants to receive them.

Following is a list of e-mails to-date:

- June 6 He died for me – I live for Him
- June 13 If your cup runneth over ...
- June 20 How God Created Fathers
- June 27 You are precious in God’s sight & What’s Important
- July 4 A Child’s Ten Commandments to Parents
- July 11 Conversation With God
- July 18 (2 stories worth reading) –
“The 3 Old Men” & “The Cracked Pot”
- July 25 The Friend Who Stands By You
- August 1 My Wish For You
- August 3 Refiner of Silver
- August 8 Too Often
- August 15 Should You
- August 22 Fear
- August 29 Wisdom



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GOD’S BOXES

I have in my hands two boxes,
 Which God gave me to hold.
 He said, "Put all your sorrows in the black box,
 And all your joys in the gold."
 I heeded His words, and in the two boxes,
 Both my joys and sorrows I stored,
 But though the gold became heavier each day,
 The black was as light as before.
 With curiosity, I opened the black,
 I wanted to find out why,
 And I saw, in the base of the box, a hole,
 Which my sorrows had fallen out by.
 I showed the hole to God, and mused,
 "I wonder where my sorrows could be!"
 He smiled a gentle smile and said,
 "My child, they're all here with me."
 I asked God, why He gave me the boxes,
 Why the gold and the black with the hole?
 "My child, the gold is for you to count your blessings,
 The black is for you to let go."

(Submitted by Joyce Trca)

THE BEST DAY OF MY LIFE

Today, when I awoke, I suddenly realized that this is the best day of my life, ever! There were times when I wondered if I would make it to today; but I did! And because I did, I'm going to celebrate!

Today, I'm going to celebrate what an unbelievable life I have had so far: the accomplishments, the many blessings, and, yes, even the hardships because they have served to make me stronger.

I will go through this day with my head held high and a happy heart. I will marvel at God's seemingly simple gifts: the morning dew, the sun, the clouds, the trees, the flowers, the birds. Today, none of these miraculous creations will escape my notice.

Today, I will share my excitement for life with other people. I'll make someone smile. I'll go out of my way to perform an unexpected act of kindness for someone I don't even know.

Today, I'll give a sincere compliment to someone who seems down. I'll tell a child how special he is, and I'll tell someone I love how deeply I care for them and how much they mean to me.

Today is the day I quit worrying about what I don't have and start being grateful for all the wonderful things God has already given me.

I'll remember that to worry is just a waste of time because my faith in God and His Divine Plan ensures everything will be just fine.

Tonight, before I go to bed, I'll go outside and raise my eyes to the heavens. I will stand in awe at the beauty of the stars and the moon, and I will praise God for these magnificent treasures.

As the day ends and I lay my head down on my pillow, I will thank the Almighty for the best day of my life. And I will sleep the sleep of a contented child, excited with expectation because I know tomorrow is going to be

The Best Day Of My Life!

“Do not worry about tomorrow for tomorrow will worry about itself.” (Matthew 6:34) NIV