



How strong is your faith today? It varies depending on all sorts of personal circumstances at any particular time, doesn't it? C S Lewis once gave his definition of faith. In his view it was 'The art of holding on to what your reason has once accepted - in spite of your changing moods.' So hold on! You may be feeling a bit low today but cling to your beliefs in spite of the ups and downs. Tomorrow, or one day soon, you will be so much more cheerful you will wonder how you could ever have had doubts!

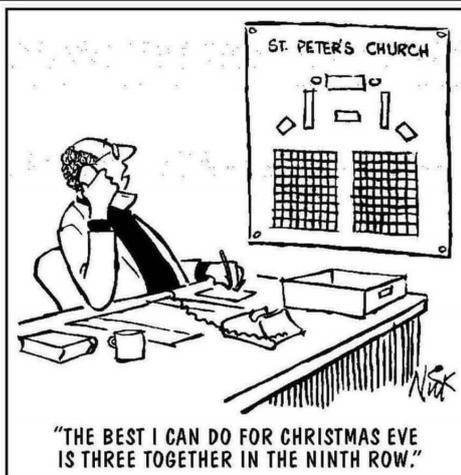
The Sunday School class had been asked to write about 'Grannies'. With remarkable insight, seven year old Timothy wrote, 'Grannies are people who have grown old on the outside but are still young inside.' Well, aren't they?

Wesley needs a little help with the following. There are 16 books of the Bible in this paragraph. He's found 12 without too much trouble but is now struggling a little. Can you help him?

I once made the remark about the hidden books of the Bible. It was a Lulu, kept people looking so hard for facts and for others it was a revelation. Some were in a jam, especially since the names of the books were not capitalized. But the truth finally struck home to numbers of our readers. To others it was a real job. We want it to be a most fascinating few moments for you. Yes, there will be some really easy ones to spot. Others may require judges to help them. I will quickly admit it usually takes a minister to find one of them and there will be loud lamentations when it is found. A little lady says she brews a cup of tea so she concentrate better. See how well you can complete. Relax now, for there really are sixteen books of the Bible in this paragraph.



Professor to students: 'What happens when the human body is immersed in water?' Student: 'T' phone rings.'



Let The Sun Shine - Anon
It's strange but oh so true
That lots of things we've feared
Have loomed like shadows, dark and grim
And then have disappeared.

It hasn't always been that way
But often when I dread
The breaking of a thunderstorm
The sun has shone instead!

So don't cross bridges long before
You reach the chasm wide
It's ten to one you'll smile when once
You reach the other side!

Our gardens are full of legends for many flowers and plants have stories which tell of their origin. This is a favourite. When morning first broke on the earth, everything was new; the beasts, birds, flowers, trees and all that lives. Then came the day when God, the creator, gave everything a name. afterwards he asked them all their names to make sure they had remembered. He was pleased that their memories were so good, until he came to a little blue flower. 'What name have I given to you?' asked God. 'I forget', she confessed. God looked at the little blue flower He had made and smiled. 'Forget Me Not' He said. And so these charming and modest little blue flower received the name Forget Me Not.



Also highly contagious is
Kindness, Patience, Love, Enthusiasm
and a Positive Attitude
Don't wait to catch it from others
Be the carrier.

World of Music - Mrs Georgina Hall

The world is full of music, the world is full of joy
The lovely sounds of nature that nothing can destroy,
The wind that stirs the tall pine trees with sounds like violins
The chorus of awakening bids when morning light begins.
Symphonic boom of waterfall, a small stream's joyful song,
Church bells across the meadow with a call to evensong
A childish voice in wistful prayer, a mother's tender son.
Melodies of the happy world to which we all belong.