

Behind the Scenes

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**Gracious words
are like a
honeycomb,
sweetness to
the soul and
health to the
body.**

Proverbs 16:24

Lost at the Airport

By Charlie Oliver

The airplane wheels touched down with a bump, and with that, our family vacation was over. We had a wonderful Spring Break, joining my extended family to honor my parents' 40th anniversary. Now back in the Portland airport, we joined the post-vacation rush, first to baggage claim to retrieve belongings and then out to the curb and the waiting car. Already late in the afternoon, Tanya and the boys were anxious to get on the road and back home to Grants Pass. I would stay with my mother-in-law overnight, following the next day at a slower rate, stopping to upgrade equipment at our KAMK Eugene and KTVC Roseburg stations. It wasn't until we got to Myrna's that I realized we were short one bag: my backpack was missing.

God sees us differently than how we see ourselves and each other. The Bible is like a mirror, only that when you look in it, you don't see "you" the way others do. You see yourself the way God sees you. Hopefully, you also see others the way God sees them. God sees us through the lens of Christ. What does that look like? To me, this means we should treat others with kindness and respect, just as we would want them to treat us. We should appreciate and love them for who they are, not what they've done. And who are they? They are each a child of God. That raises the bar a bit, doesn't it?

I called the airport as soon as the bag turned up missing. I wasn't worried about the bag, but for what it contained. My work laptop, my wallet, all our passports and travel documents, and our remaining vacation cash; nothing easily replaced. I worked through all the automated phone routing, transferred around more than a bit, and was ultimately connected with a person who could only tell me that nothing had been turned in, and advised me to file a report online. I quickly did that, but still felt I needed to do more. I had to get back to the airport as quickly as possible. With my family praying, I jumped back in the car and began the return trip to the airport.

When Jesus walked among us, He treated people with love and compassion. He saw people who were troubled and walking around,
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Important May Dates

May 3 - This has got to be one of the quirkiest holidays celebrated, “**National Two Different Colored Shoes Day**”. This is the day when we celebrate our various cultures and backgrounds because God made each of us so wonderfully unique! It would be a little boring if we all looked the same, dressed the same, drove the same car, and lived in row after row of the same house. So, go ahead, close your eyes and reach into your closet and pull out two different shoes.

May 29 - Memorial Day is full of history and meaning, this is the day that we honor the men and women who have died while serving in the military and who have made the ultimate sacrifice for this country. However you choose to recognize the day, try to make it meaningful for you.

Here are a few ideas:

- Record stories and memories of your military relatives.
- Attend local events, such as parades, speeches, or religious services.
- Observe a moment of silence at 3:00 pm, the national moment of remembrance.
- Wear or plant a red poppy, an international symbol of remembrance.
- Find a way to support a grieving family.
- Reflect on the freedoms that we enjoy today.

Inspirational Musings

By Jeanette Stark

“...and you shall be called by a new name that the mouth of the Lord will give.” Isaiah 62:2 ESV

My name is Jeanette. I am the oldest of three girls. My parents waited 6 years for me to come along. Mom told me she named me after a famous figure skater. I have always liked my name.

My Kindergarten teacher called me Jenny (I am not sure why), and many people have called me Janet and still do. I usually do not correct them.

When I was a little kid, my cousin Terry called me Netty-Spaghetti. When my baby sister was very small she could not pronounce Jeanette. It came out Net. That nickname has stuck with me for over 50 years with family members still calling me Net.

In the mid-1990s, a French woman at a local pharmacy/gift shop pronounced my name “Zhnette”, and in French, my name means “Little Jean”.

Jeanette is the feminine form of John and the Scottish version of the Old French Jehane.

My birth name is Jeanette Leah Bartlett, and when I married Wendell, I became a Stark.

I have a dear friend who calls me Lady J. And in turn, I named my blog www.ladyjway.com

I like my name, but I have known people who hated their name. I know someone that changed his first name AND his last name. Name-changing is not new. There are several examples in the Bible of names being changed:

Abram to Abraham - Genesis 17:5

Joseph to Zaphenath-paneah - Genesis 41:45

Jacob to Israel - Genesis 32:28

Jedediah to Solomon (or vice versa) - 2 Samuel 12:24-25

Sarai to Sarah, meaning “princess” Genesis 17:15

Saul to Paul, meaning “small/humble” Acts 13:9

Simon to Peter, meaning “the rock” John 1:42

Joseph to Barnabas, meaning “son of encouragement” Acts 4:36

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Words Today

by Sandra A. Haynes - Reader Submission

Much is determined by words that we say,
for once they are spoken, they linger and stay.
Words can bring comfort and joy to the ear,
or paralyze action by conjuring fear.
Words can start wars or can settle debates,
can ruffle one's feathers, determining fates.
Some words are golden; some are plain yellow,
reluctant to speak up when all is not mellow.

Hasty words spoken, unfiltered by thought,
will multiply problems as trouble is brought.
It's better to keep one's mouth shut and be quiet,
than to spew hasty words and engender a riot.

A loose tongue is one that is worthy of pity,
spreading confusion and strife to a city.
A soft word that's spoken will anger deflect,
and will, by its softness, a kindness reflect.

Words must be chosen with thought and with care,
lest poisonous venom with others be shared.

The sum of life's joy is affected by words,
the words thrown about one, which often are heard.

Words can bring comfort or can be a curse,
depending on those which you chose to rehearse.
Then treasure the words that can comfort and bless,
and give words less comely a much-needed rest.



Reaching the World

Emails, Letters & Phone Calls

We have morning worship here at Better Life. We pray for you and the other viewers. Our desire is that your relationship with Jesus grows stronger each day. We pray that those who stumble on our programs will find Jesus.

We received some exciting news about a woman who found Better Life and started watching. She called us a few months ago wanting more information. With her permission, we passed her information to a church near her. We received a call this week that she and her husband are currently studying the Bible with the local Bible Teacher. Please keep this couple in your prayers as they learn more about Jesus.

We would love to hear from you. Write us or send us an email and let us know how God is working in your life. We love to see how God is working. We know that others would love to see it too. We may not be able to include all submissions, but we will try. Our email address is newsletter@betterlifetv.tv

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like sheep without a Shepherd. Jesus had the ability to see below the surface, beyond the obvious, and view others with insight and understanding. He saw people like me, a little confused and without clear direction, going through the motions as best that they can.

As I drove up to the baggage claim curb, I spotted the now empty bench where I'd placed the backpack. Discouraged, I then spotted a group of airport police talking with each other nearby. Nothing to lose, I interrupted them, asking if anyone had turned in a backpack an hour or so earlier. One officer stepped out. "Was it a black backpack? Did it have a computer in it?" Relief flooded my entire being as I described the bag and its contents. Yes, he had found my backpack, turning it into Lost & Found. He told me the number to call, and since it contained important documents, informed me that I might be able to get it even though the offices were closed.

Feeling God's presence is overwhelming and can be hard to put into words. The reminder of His love and care in that moment was palpable. I thanked the supervisor profusely, briefly sharing the experience and about how much I appreciated the kindness shown by his officers. Upon hearing this, the supervisor called the officer on the radio, so I could thank him again in person. You see, the gratitude I showed that evening was out of the norm. The supervisor shared with me how his officers are often treated daily, examples like being called Nazis for not letting people park their cars at baggage claim. That this officer, despite that regular level of abuse, was still able to be so kind and professional to me, gave me another glimpse of how Jesus can work through each of us, no matter our circumstances. We can each be that person through which others can meet and see Christ. Join me in committing to being open to allowing Jesus to shine through us each day. -CO

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I never had the desire to change my name. But the thing I love most about my name is its meaning: Jeanette means "God is gracious."

With all that said, I will not always be known as Jeanette. You will not always be known by your name, either. The name your mother and father gave you at birth will be replaced with a different name. We are told that the saved will be given a new name in heaven. God will give you a new name! That is exciting to me!

***"...To the one who conquers
I will give some of the hidden manna,
and I will give him a white stone,
with a new name written on the stone..."***
Revelation 2:17 ESV

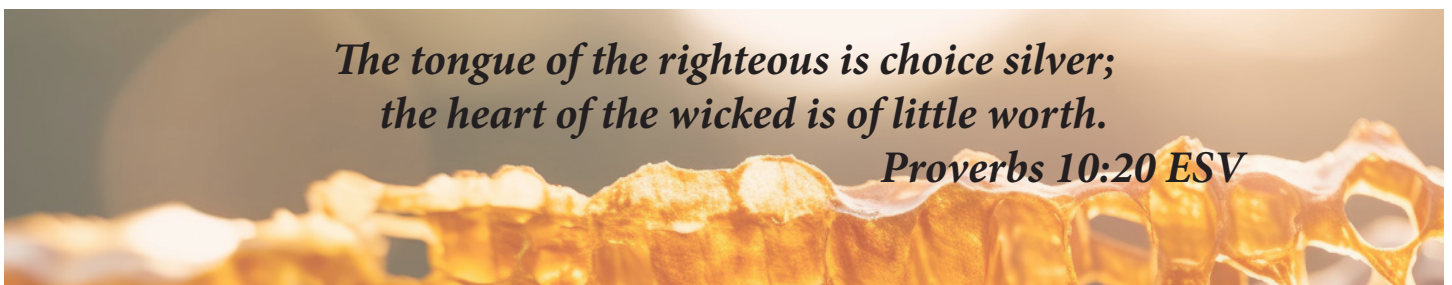
***"I will give in my house
and within my walls a monument
and a name better than sons and daughters;
I will give them an everlasting name that shall
not be cut off."***
Isaiah 56:5 ESV

***"The one who conquers...
I will write on him the name of my God,
and the name of the city of my God,
the new Jerusalem,
which comes down from my God out of heaven,
and my own new name."***
Revelation 3:12 ESV

So, enjoy your name while you can, a new name is coming! -JS

***The tongue of the righteous is choice silver;
the heart of the wicked is of little worth.***

Proverbs 10:20 ESV



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Ron Davis, husband
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Don Oltman

Jeanne Oltman,
wife

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Better Life TV Program Schedule

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	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
Midnight	It's Coming	Coming Out	Country Wisdom	Bible Answers	Gospel Outreach		Praise!	Midnight
12:30 AM		Women in the Word	The Incredible Journey		Maranatha Mission Stories		Your Favorite by Request	12:30 AM
1:00 AM	Secret Life of the Desert	3ABN Homecoming	Sanctuary Salvation & Our Savior	Earth's Final Conflict	Revelation's Ancient Discoveries	Doug Batchelor	Daniel All Access	1:00 AM
1:30 AM	From Sickness to Health		Authentic					1:30 AM
2:00 AM	David Klinedinst	Boots 'N Bibles	Stories of Faith	Women in the Word	Better Life Today	Catching the Light	Revelation Now	2:00 AM
2:30 AM			Nature Music	Receiving the Word	Adventist World Radio	Secret Life of the Desert		2:30 AM
3:00 AM	Digital Disconnect	Unlocking Bible Prophecy	The Whole Message	White Horse Media	Worship Hour Special Series	Multitude of Counselors	Revelation Insights	3:00 AM
3:30 AM	Evolution Impossible			Nature Music		Ultimate Prescription		3:30 AM
4:00 AM	The Seventh Day	Stories of Faith	Better Life on Tour	GP Worship Hour	NEWSTART Now!	Maranatha Mission Stories	Amazing Facts Presents	4:00 AM
4:30 AM	The Carter Report	When We Talk			Authentic	Contending for the Faith	Gospel Outreach	4:30 AM
5:00 AM	Amazing Adventures	Impact Canvasback	Fountain View Music	Amazing Facts Presents	Animal Encounters	Nature Music	Nature Music	5:00 AM
5:30 AM		Exercise Variety	Exercise Variety	Exercise Variety	Exercise Variety	Exercise Variety	I/W Sabbath School	5:30 AM
6:00 AM	3ABN Today	3ABN Today	3ABN Today Live (repeat)	3ABN Today	3ABN Today	3ABN Today	3ABN Today	6:00 AM
6:30 AM								6:30 AM
7:00 AM	Your Favorites by Request	Bible Answers		Shelly Quinn Presents	ASI Conventions	Optimize for Life	Bible Answers	7:00 AM
7:30 AM	It's In The Bible			It's In The Bible		Cook :30		7:30 AM
8:00 AM	GP Worship Hour	Authentic	Secret Life of the Desert	The Seventh Day	Nature Music	Enjoy Healthy Eating	Catching the Light	8:00 AM
8:30 AM		Variety	Variety	Variety	Variety	Variety	Stories of Faith	8:30 AM
9:00 AM	Simple Truths Sabbath School	The Carter Report	Worship Hour Special Series	Fountainview Music	God's Last Message to the World	House Calls	Pioneer Media	9:00 AM
9:30 AM		Adventist World Radio		Help! I'm a Parent				9:30 AM
10:00 AM	Ken Cox Ministries	Ken Cox Ministries	Ken Cox Ministries	Ken Cox Ministries	Ken Cox Ministries	Secrets Unsealed	Simple Truths Sabbath School	10:00 AM
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11:00 AM	Boots 'N Bibles	Off the Grid	Maranatha Mission Stories	Lineage	Jesus for Asia Now	Behold the Lamb Presents	GP Worship Hour	11:00 AM
11:30 AM		Abundant Living	Cook :30	Better Life Today	Amazing Facts Presents			11:30 AM
Noon	Exercise Variety	Exercise Variety	Body & Spirit	Action 4 Life	Body & Spirit	Raw Questions Relevant Answers	Women in the Word	Noon
12:30 PM	Better Life Today	Heaven's Point of View	Unshackle Purpose/Intimate Clarity	Receiving the Word	Journey 'n Journals	Exercise Variety	Fountainview Music	12:30 PM
1:00 PM	3ABN Today Live (repeat)	3ABN Today	3ABN Today	3ABN Today	3ABN Today	3ABN Today	Unlocking Bible Prophecy	1:00 PM
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2:00 PM		Variety Hour	Variety Hour	Variety Hour	Variety Hour	Variety Hour	Variety Hour	2:00 PM
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3:00 PM	Catching The Light	The Whole Messge	Evolution Impossible	The Whole Messge	White Horse Media	The Whole Message	Kids Time Praise	3:00 PM
3:30 PM	Journey 'n Journals		The Incomparable Jesus				Jesus 101	3:30 PM
4:00 PM	Receiving the Word	Bible Buzz/Sing Along	Kids Time	Bible Gems/Creation Crafts	Kids Time	Kitchen Fun	Secret Life of the Desert	4:00 PM
4:30 PM	Women in the Word	Creation Case	Kids Time Praise	Kids Time Praise	Kids Time Praise	Grandma's House	It Is Written	4:30 PM
5:00 PM	Better Life Classics	Nature Music	Secrets Unsealed	It's Coming	Bible Answers	Islam & Christianity	Secrets Unsealed Presents	5:00 PM
5:30 PM		Catching the Light						5:30 PM
6:00 PM	Worship Hour Special Series	Unlocking Bible Prophecy	Country Wisdom	Prophecy Unsealed	3ABN Today LIVE	Simple Truths Sabbath School	Boots 'N Bibles	6:00 PM
6:30 PM			Gospel Outreach					6:30 PM
7:00 PM	Authentic	Summer Camp Meeting	Behold the Lamb Presents	Doug Batchelor		Stories of Faith	White Horse Media	7:00 PM
7:30 PM	Good News for Muslims					Better Life Today	Nature Music	7:30 PM
8:00 PM	Strategies for Strongholds	Stories of Faith	Better Life Today	Catching the Light	Women in the Word	Boots 'N Bibles	Mark Finley Presents	8:00 PM
8:30 PM	Lineage	The Seventh Day	Adventist World Radio	It Is Written	Gospel Outreach			8:30 PM
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10:30 PM		Native New Day	Maranatha Mission Stories	Your Favorites by Request				10:30 PM
11:00 PM	Celebrating Life in Recovery	Mark Finley Presents	Prophecies Unsealed	Jesus 101	3ABN Today LIVE (Repeat)	3ABN Family Worship	Jesus for Asia Now	11:00 PM
11:30 PM				Unshackle Purpose/ Raw Questions			Fountainview Music	11:30 PM

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