

HomeTouch

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Orange Coast Church



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Sunday, September 7, 2008

Scripture Reading: Matthew 18:15-20

TODAY'S THOUGHT: *If no one ever took risks, Michelangelo would have painted the Sistine floor.*—Neil Simon

I know this 8th grader, Kyle. He's loves photography. He's got a huge digital camera and a lens that's longer than my arm. I have a couple of photography projects he's working on for me, so I called the school today to find him, and discovered that this sweet and talented kid was in lunch detention and wouldn't get out for another 45 minutes.

Man! I want someone to give me a lunch detention. "Hey, Ken Studer, you sit down right now and stay there, eat your lunch and keep quiet!" Someone, please tell me to have lunch, to sit still and be quiet.

Or, send me to bed early. Or, send me to my room. "And stay there!" Or, take an afternoon nap. No one tells me that stuff anymore. I heard that when I was sick some time back, but not anymore.

Except for Jesus, who says, "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest" (Matthew 11:28 NIV). Jesus has something to say to people who are too busy and who work too hard.

But perhaps we feel like we have too much nap time, too much room time, too much lunch time. We would love it if we had more work to do, or we were able to work. If that describes you, the Bible has something to say to you, too. The Bible says, "Let us not lose heart in doing good, for in due time we will reap if we do not grow weary" (Galatians 6:9 NASB).

As for me, I would be willing to get a lunch detention, or to be sent to my room. Just don't send me to bed without dessert.

Prayer: *Loving God, thank You for keeping me safe and providing others who watch out for me. In Jesus' name. Amen.*

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ACTIVITY PAGE for the week of September 7, 2008

Daily Bible Readings

Sunday: Acts 15:1-18:11

Monday: 1 Chronicles 20-33

Tuesday: 1 Chronicles 24-26

Wednesday: 1 Chronicles 27-29

Thursday: 2 Chronicles 1-3

Friday: 2 Chronicles 4-6

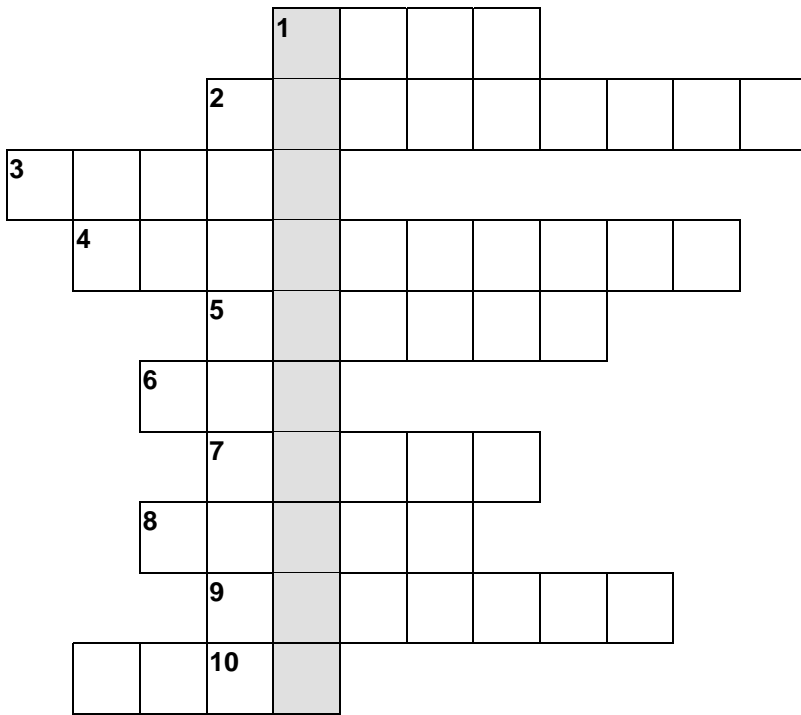
Saturday: Psalms 97-99

VERSE TO REMEMBER

*O sing to the LORD a new song,
for he has done marvelous things.*

—Psalm 98:1

THE LETTER **A**



Directions: The answers to the following word descriptions all begin with the letter A.

When you have filled in the blanks, the letters in the bold squares should spell (reading down) an invention of the early 20th century. Write it in the space provided.

1. The bar connecting two opposite wheels on a vehicle
2. The island between the South Pacific and Indian oceans
3. The head of a monastery
4. The air surrounding the earth
5. Large South American river
6. Fuss or trouble
7. To use wrongly or mistreat
8. An excuse used to avoid punishment
9. Hypersensitivity to a particular substance
10. Word used at the end of a prayer

Hidden word: _____

Answers:
1. Axle
2. Australia
3. Abbot
4. Atmo-
sphere
5. Amazon
6. Ado
7. Abuse
8. Alibi
9. Allergy
10. Amen
Hidden word:
Automobile

"God is Love!"