

Thoughts and Smiles – May 16, 2022

A strange old lady has moved into my house 😊

I have no idea who she is, where she came from, or how she got in. I certainly did not invite her. All I know is that she wasn't there one day, and the next day she was.



She is a clever old lady and manages to keep out of sight for the most part, but whenever I pass a mirror, I catch a glimpse of her. And, whenever I look in the mirror to check my appearance, there she is hogging the whole thing, completely obliterating my gorgeous face and body. This is very rude! I have tried screaming at her, but she just screams back.



The least she could do is offer to pay part of the bills, but no. Every once in a while, I find a \$5 bill stuck in a coat pocket or some loose change under a sofa cushion, but it is not nearly enough. And I don't want to

jump to conclusions, but I think she is stealing money from me. I go to the ATM and withdraw \$50, and a few days later, it's all gone! I certainly don't spend money that fast, so I can only conclude the old lady is pilfering from me. You'd think she would spend some of that money to buy wrinkle cream. And money isn't the only thing I think she is stealing.



Food seems to disappear at an alarming rate-especially the good stuff like ice cream, chips, and sweets. She must have a real sweet tooth, but she'd better watch because she is really packing on the pounds. I suspect she realizes this, and to make herself feel better, she is tampering with my scale to make me think I am putting on weight, too.



For an old lady, she is pretty childish. She likes to play nasty games, like going into my wardrobes when I'm not home and altering my clothes, so they don't fit. And she messes with my files and papers so I can't find anything. This is particularly annoying since I am extremely neat and organized.



She has found other imaginative ways to annoy me. She gets into my mail, newspapers, and magazines before I do and blurs the print so I can't read it. And she has done something sinister to the volume controls on my TV, radio, and telephone. Now, all I hear are mumbles and whispers. She has made my stairs steeper, my vacuum heavier, and all the knobs and taps harder to turn. She even made my bed higher so that getting into and out of it is a real challenge.



Lately, she has been fooling with my groceries before I put them away, applying glue to the lids, making it almost impossible for me to open the jars. She has taken the fun out of shopping for clothes. When I try something on, she stands in front of the dressing room mirror and monopolizes it. She looks totally ridiculous in some of those outfits; plus, she keeps me from seeing how great they look on me.



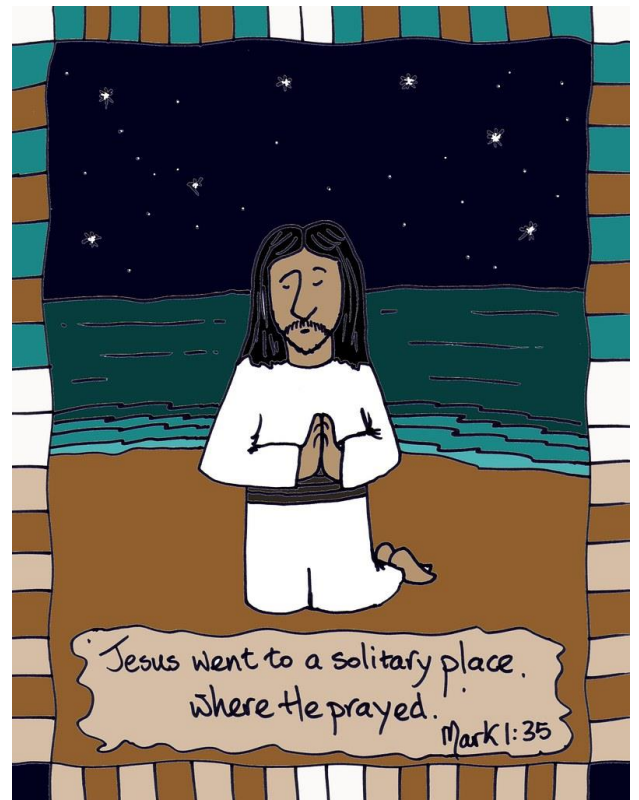
Just when I thought she couldn't get any meaner, she proved me wrong. She came along when I went to get my picture taken for my driver's license, and just as the camera shutter clicked, she jumped in front of me
I hope she never finds out where you live!



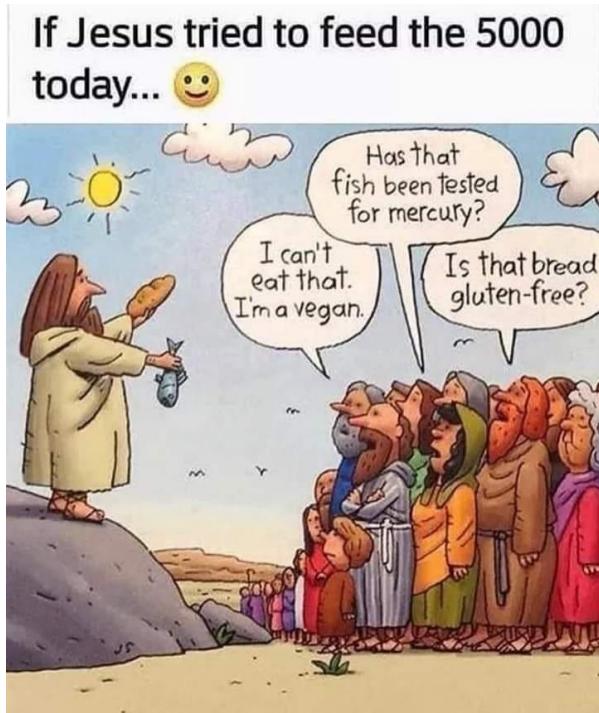
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Minding My Own Business Prayer

*Dear God,
Divine Loving Light and Heart of the Universe,
I humbly ask for the healing power of your
grace
to help me respect others' boundaries and
not interfere
with their lives as a way to make myself feel
useful
or worthy of love. Please send in your
angels so that
I can discern what my business is and what
is not,
and keep me focused on improving myself
instead of
coaching others on how to improve.
I thank you in advance, with my whole heart
and soul, for answering my prayer, and I
look forward to the freedom this will bring
to us all.
Amen and with infinite gratitude.*



THEY SAY I HAVE
2 MAJOR FLAWS:
1. I don't listen.
2. Something else.



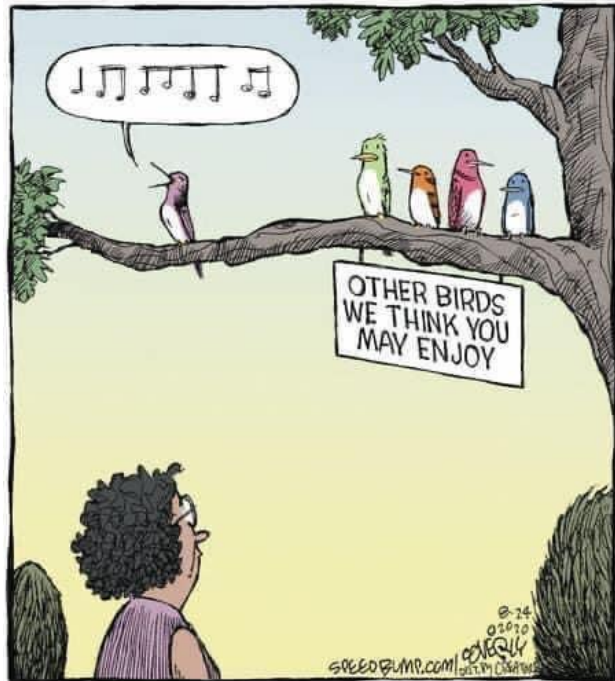
The distance it takes for me to forget a number between 1 and 10



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