Thoughts and Smiles – July 11, 2022

Sometimes we love And our hearts are broken We dream And our hopes are shattered We wish And our desires are unfulfilled We give freely And are left empty-handed And we care for others And aren't loved in return And those who we once most admired and valued Do not reciprocate our affection. Sometimes we undergo a process of loss and heartbreak And are left feeling broken And lacking hope As we fail to realise That we are not destined to remain stuck in this cycle indefinitely And that in life What lets go of you Leads you home What rejects you Empowers you to embrace yourself fully And that someone's lack of love for you Is ultimately a reflection of them rather than you. And we feel most hurt Not when we are rejected But when we reject ourselves We feel most sad Not when others upset us But when we seek happiness in sources that are unable to provide it and are left feeling let down And we feel most alone When we are strangers to ourselves And so in order to find peace in our surroundings We must first find peace within In order to find joy outside of us We must first experience joy internally



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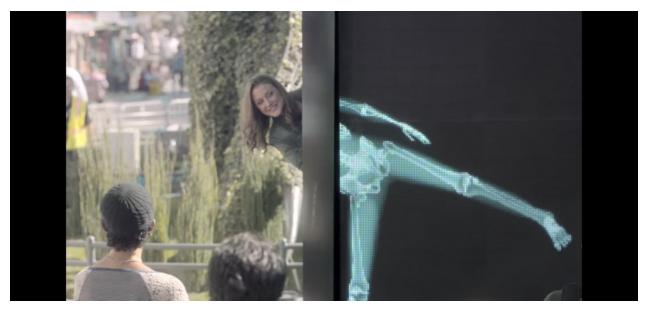
In order to feel fully accepted We must first learn to fully accept ourselves And that Not every race is worth running Not every battle is worth fighting Not every adventure is worth embarking upon And not every relationship is worth pursuing And rejection is simply redirection Allowing us to become more in touch with ourselves And more awakened to our own self-acceptance and self-love.



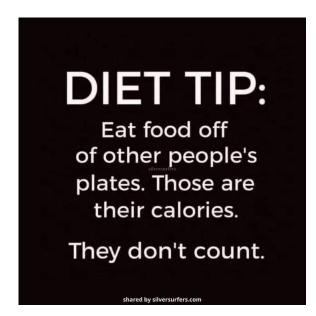
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Love Has No Labels

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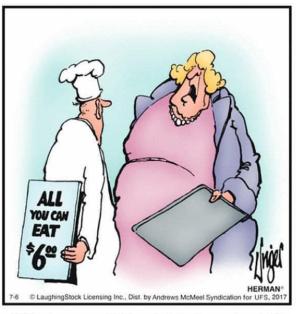


It's happened again



I decided to put a coin in a bucket every time I got irritated. I started an hour ago.





"What are you hiding behind your back?"



Honourably Mentioned – the following are contributions sent in to the blog by readers who <u>understandably</u> might wish to remain anonymous!

Dad, are we pyromaniacs? Yes, we arson.

She was only a moonshiner's daughter, but I miss her still.

A commander walks into a bar and orders everyone around.

How much did the pirate pay to get his ears pierced? A buccaneer.

I once worked at a cheap pizza shop to get by. I kneaded the dough.

I lost my girlfriend's audiobook, and now I'll never hear the end of it.

Why is it unwise to share your secrets with a clock? Well, time will tell.

When I told my contractor I didn't want carpeted steps, they gave me a blank stare.

Prison is just one word to you, but for some people, it's a whole sentence.

Scientists got together to study the effects of alcohol on a person's walk, and the result was staggering.

I'm trying to organize a hide and seek tournament, but good players are really hard to find

I went to the toy store and asked the assistant where the Schwarzenegger dolls are and he replied, "Aisle B, back."

What did the surgeon say to the patient who insisted on closing up their own incision? Suture self.

I've started telling everyone about the benefits of eating dried grapes. It's all about raisin awareness.

Washer and dryer for sale.



Our dog ate a bunch of scrabble squares and we had to take him to the vet. They said they think he'll be okay, but no word yet. David Jones Minister of Outreach and Pastoral Care Hepworth-Sauble Beach Pastoral Charge 226-568-3476 <u>ipcress.jones@gmail.com</u>



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