MORNING WATCH

for the week of October 17, 2021

TURNING TRASH INTO TREASURE

I'd be surprised if I'm the only person who has recurring dreams of being back in school. I figured out a long time ago that this is God's way of telling me that I have a bunch of new things to learn. (Always following this dream, I am presented with tough situations in which I'm forced to learn a better way of living.) I have just awakened from another "School" dream. This time it is college, and I am back at Lindley Hall, my dorm, at Ohio University taking the trash to the "trash shoot", a unique design in the building which is much like the Big Door with a handle at the bank for overnight deposits, except it is larger. You pull down on the handle and put your trash in the open space and shut it up, where it then shoots down to the furnace to be burned up! In the previously mentioned dreams God just tells me I'm gonna be taught a lot of new lessons by way of problems --but not how exactly this is going to happen. In this new dream, he actually tells me the answer to my problems! Yep- "Take the Trash in my life and give it to Him. He'll turn it into Treasure." He's the ultimate "Go to Guy" for that sort of thing! Right? Matter of fact, we don't have to wait until situations are "trash" before giving them to Him.

If we live our lives with God as our partner, we can forget about that "trash shoot" all together! (However, it surely was a fun memory last night.)

