Faith and Funnies



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Even as fools walk along the road, they lack sense and show everyone how stupid they are. Ecclesiastes 10:3 What did the police officer say when he caught Frosty steeling?

'FREEZE!"

What medicine does a snowman take when he gets sick?

A CHILL PILL!

Where does Frosty keep his money?

IN A "SNOW BANK!" (IT IS COLD HARD CASH AFTERALL)

THIS MONTH IN HISTORY

February 3, 1870 - The 15th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution was ratified, guaranteeing the right of citizens to vote, regardless of race, color, or previous condition of servitude. Additionally, the 16th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution was ratified, granting Congress the authority to collect income taxes.

In the Waiting

Written by Marla Carter

I've been doing a lot of waiting lately. Waiting for my body to heal after my surgery. Waiting to get my energy back. Waiting to be able to lift things and go places. Waiting to resume all my normal activities. And, I hate to say it, but I've been impatient. In fact, I've been surprised at how impatient I've been, because I have always thought myself to be a very patient person.

Then the Lord reminded me of my friends who are also waiting -- waiting for a healing that will likely not occur in this life. I realized how ridiculous it was for me to be restless in my 6 weeks of recovery. I know that many of you reading this are waiting for the day that you'll trade in your worn out, broken body for a new and gloriously perfect heavenly body. You are looking toward heaven and trusting in God to bring you to your eternal home, and rightly so. But be encouraged, my friends--God is in the waiting. God will be with you at the end of your journey, but He's also with you along the way.

God knows that waiting is hard, and His Word is full of loving declarations of encouragement to us. Deuteronomy 31:8 says, "It is the Lord who goes before you. He will be with you; He will not leave you or forsake you. Do not fear or be dismayed." And Psalm 137:7-10 "Where shall I go from your Spirit? Or where shall I flee from your presence? If I ascend to heaven, you are there! If I make my bed in Sheol, you are there! If I take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea, even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me."

Our difficulty with waiting starts when we're kids. We can't wait for Christmas morning; we can't wait until school is out for summer. We can't wait until we're older. When we're adults, we can't wait until we get married, buy a house, get a great job. Then we can't wait until we retire. It seems we're always asking, "Are we there yet?"

I think part of our inability to wait is tied to the happiness we think we'll gain once we get the thing for which we are so eagerly waiting. We think Christmas morning will be exciting because Santa will bring us just what we asked for, and we think summer vacation will be much more fun than going to school. We think we'll be happier when we get married or when we buy our dream house. (Of course, we know we'll find perfect happiness in heaven!)

If we are so consumed with waiting, with focusing on what on we don't yet have but long for, we become discontent and ungrateful for what we do have in the present. We fail to see the blessings in our days of waiting. Don't misunderstand--I'm not saying that we shouldn't hope for things or look forward to things that will bring us happiness. But let's not miss the happiness in the waiting. When we find our joy in Christ and take His hand in the waiting, our longings for better days can be tempered with contentment and gratitude for the present.

Trust in the LORD, and do good; dwell in the land and befriend faithfulness. Delight yourself in the LORD, and He will give you the desires of your heart. Psalm 37:3-4

Groundhog Day Word Scramble

The following mixed-up words are somehow related to Groundhog Day. Your job is to unscramble the letters to identify each word.

	1. Wadosh
	2. Twiner
3.	Dycolu
	Duckwhoco
	Gripsn
	Hessunni
7.	Strovace
8.	Helo
9.	Meantrawhe
10.	Exstupynnawu
	Directp
	Doughnorg
13.	Robwur
	Rhotainebin
	Liph
16.	Steafcor
	Berryufa
	Strongoapricot
19.	End
	Tammor
	Germee
	Xis Eskew

Answer Key

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	1. Wadosh	shadow
		winter
3.	Dycolu	
	Duckwhoco	
5.	Gripsn	spring
6.	Hessunni	sunshine
		overcast
	Helo	
	Meantrawhe	weatherman
10.	Exstupynnawu	Punxsutawney
	Directp	predict
12.	Doughnorg	groundhog
	Robwur	
	Rhotainebin	
15.	Liph	Phil
16.	Ctaafaan	TOTECAST
	Berryufa	February
	Strongoapricot	prognosticator
	End	I
	Tammor	
	Germee	
22.	Xis Eskew	six weeks

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*groundhog, (Marmota monax), also called woodchuck, one of 14 species of marmots (Marmota), considered basically a giant North American ground squirrel. It is sometimes destructive to gardens and pasturelands. Classified as a marmot, the groundhog is a member of the squirrel family.