

Backyard bird watching with Harry:

by Harry Johnson

We hear myths about birds all the time. This week we'll talk about several of these myths. Are they true or not?

Myth #1: Touching a baby bird will cause its parents to abandon it.

Sage advice once warned children not to handle baby birds because the parent birds would smell the human scent and subsequently reject the babies. While excellent with its vision and hearing, birds show minimally developed olfactory systems. Tests show certain birds can detect specific food odors (vultures) even at great distances.

Can a bird smell human scent on its young? Probably not, it's still wise, however to avoid handling a nest or nestlings unnecessarily, because they have germs that you don't want. If you find a young bird that has fallen out of its nest, just pick it up and carefully put it back. Mom won't turn it away. Now, predators such as raccoons and foxes absolutely can detect your scent trail and will follow it straight to the nest.

Myth #2: All birds fly south for the winter.

The pleasure of watching birds streaming across the autumn sky confirms the general impression that birds fly south for the winter.



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Community Bible Church

The Cows are Out
James 3:6-8 (NKJV) 6 And the tongue is a fire, a world of iniquity. The tongue is so set among our members that it defiles the whole body, and sets on fire the course of nature; and it is set on fire by hell. 7 For every kind of beast and bird, of reptile and creature of the sea, is tamed and has been tamed by mankind. 8 But no man can tame the tongue. It is an unruly evil, full of deadly poison.

On my uncle's dairy farm, the cows were a major source of income, sometimes a source of entertainment, and often a source of consternation. Those cantankerous bovines were escape artists – this happened most often at night. If the cows stayed around the house and barn, it wasn't too much of a problem, but if they got into the fields which were growing crops, into the garden, into the neighbor's fields, or worse yet onto the road it could be a real problem. Didn't matter if it was day or night, when my aunt or uncle told us the cows were out – off we would go to round them up and drive them back into

their own pasture. Those cows were a lot like the words we speak – getting out when we don't want them to. When we aren't being vigilant to control our words at an unexpected moment; they can cause all kinds of trouble.

Verbal tirades are dumped on children, older people, husbands, or wives. Sometimes I wished I could record the outburst so I could play the words back to the offender at a later date – so they could hear firsthand what they sound like.

Some time ago I saw a talk on uncontrolled speech illustrated by a tube of toothpaste. The speaker took a tube of toothpaste and emptied it onto a paper plate. Then the speaker asked for volunteers to come up and put the toothpaste back in the tube. Toothpaste is like our words – once they are out, they can't be put back, and they are out forever. I think every one of us can recall vicious, hateful words used on us, and worse – hateful speech we have used on others.

Those escaped cows could do a lot of damage, but we could always herd them back into the pasture. You can never

put your words “back in”. Maybe today would be a good time to start thinking before you speak. Maybe you need to tell someone you are sorry for the way you have talked to them. Hope to see you Sunday.

In Christ,
Pastor Dave

Ministry at CBC Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 a.m. Praise and Prayer 6 p.m.
Community Christian Academy Preschool – 12th grade
Senior Exercise Class Monday, Wednesday, & Friday 9-10 a.m. in Dining Room

Seventh-day Adventist Church

“He reveals His secret” *Amos 3:7*
The Revelation Seminar has been a wonderful blessing to everyone who has come. With the world in its present uncertain condition, God's Word will help us every step of the way if we ask Him and trust in His guidance for our future.

One of the topics in last week's seminar was “Fitness for the Crises.” We learned how to care for our bodies to keep them in optimum condition for whatever may happen to us personally

or in our world in the future.

No matter what happens, or whatever may come our way, we can trust in our best forever best friend (Jesus) to guide and help us. We learned that we have a responsibility to care for our health. “Whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God.” We need to care for our bodies, they are God's temple. “Don't you know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit which is in you, which you have of God, and you are not your own.” *1 Corin.6:19*

Then on another evening the subject was “Babylon Rising” which was another powerful message about the Antichrist. We learned that the most valuable way to prepare for this event was to stay close to Jesus in His Word and in our Prayers to Him. Other Revelation subjects to be covered are “The Mark of the Beast” “The 144,000” and “The Scarlet Woman.”

Thursday, Nov. 3, at 7 p.m. our subject will be “Back From the Wilderness.”

You are welcome to come and hear the

presentation “The Unpardonable Sin” Saturday, Nov. 5 at 11 p.m., 265 Old Stage Road. Our Speaker John Weston has been giving us powerful Spirit filled messages from heaven, and we want you to get in on the blessings.

At every meeting we are hearing health tips which are vital to our good health. If they are followed we will have good health that will last for a lifetime.

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

Truth Is...
We have become people who live according to their feelings rather than the truth. We base our decisions (moral and otherwise) on what we “feel” is the right thing to do, not necessarily because we have carefully thought it through or compared it to moral absolutes. Our feelings have become more important than our ability to think.

The Bible tells us that truth is important. What you believe to be true is important, because it will determine how you see life and how you live your life. It will determine your ability to understand life and obey God. Jesus said, “If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free” (*John 8:31-32*).

The truth can be painful. The writer of Hebrews says, “For the word of God is living and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints

and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart. Nothing in all creation is hidden from God's sight. Everything is uncovered and laid bare before the eyes of him to whom we must give account” (*Hebrews 4:12-13*). You remember Jack Nicholson in the film “A Few Good Men.” Perhaps Nicholson was right when he yelled: “You can't handle the truth!” The fact that there is truth means that we're accountable to live according to the truth, even though we may not like it. It means that we may be wrong.

You see, there is truth that is above our commonly accepted wisdom. Truth is not merely a social construct. There is a law that is above human law. It is transcendent. There must be a standard that is higher than my own desires and my idea of what is best for me. And this moral law is written on the hearts of all human beings. It was the philosopher Immanuel Kant who said, “Two things fill the mind with ever new and increasing wonder

and awe: the starry heavens above me and the moral law within me.”

So, according to the Bible, there is a law that transcends the laws of men, even though we may not like it. This law, this truth, is knowable and has been planted in all our hearts. We can try to distort it, but nonetheless it's there. More than that, we are accountable to this law. It is knowable truth. It is doable truth. It is what keeps us from being savages.

That's why it's so important, as the Bible says, to: “put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand. Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place” (*Ephesians 6:13-14*).

The truth is, when we fight for truth, we win our freedom. The truth shall set us free!

Places of Worship

BRIDGEVIEW COMMUNITY CHURCH 5181 Holland Loop Rd., CJ 541-592-3923 “Come Join the Worship!” Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m. Pastor Sonny Moore www.bridgeviewcc.org	COMMUNITY BIBLE CHURCH Pastor Dave Gordon 113 S. Caves Ave., CJ Office: 541-592-3896 Email: cbccca@gmail.com Sunday Worship - 10:30 a.m. Christian Academy Pre-K to 12th grade Awana - Wednesdays - 6 p.m.	GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH East River Street & Lewis Court, CJ Annemarie Richardson Lay Pastor. Sunday School - 9:15 a.m. Sunday Worship - 10 a.m. Church Phone: 541-592-2290 www.goodshepherdlutheraniv.net	THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS 209 S. Junction Ave., CJ Sacrament Meet - 10 a.m. Sunday School - 11:20 a.m. Priesthood, Relief Soc. - 12:10 p.m. Bishop Larry Hammersmith 541-592-3919
7th DAY ADVENTIST 265 S. Old Stage Rd., CJ Sabbath School - 9:30 a.m. Saturday Worship 11 a.m. Pastor Christian Martin Church (541) 592-3218 Madrone Adventist School 541-592-3330	ST. PATRICK OF THE FOREST CATHOLIC CHURCH 407 W. River St., CJ 541-592-3658 Fr. William Holtzinger, Pastor Mass - Sunday 11 a.m.. Sacrament of Reconciliation Sunday - 10:30 a.m. Holy Days TBA	VALLEY EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH 498 Laurel Road, CJ P.O. Box 1248 Pastor Marvin Porter Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Worship Service - 11 a.m. evfree@frontiernet.net 541-592-6160	Illinois Valley Baptist Church 541-592-6149 102 S. Redwood Hwy. (in the County Building) Pastor Steve Root Sunday Worship 10:30 AM Wednesday Bible Study, Prayer & Youth Program 7:00 PM Friday Ladies Bible Study 11:00 AM
IMMANUEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 200 Watkins St., CJ Phone 541-592-3876 Pastor Charles Chase Sunday School - 9:15 a.m. Sunday Worship - 9:15 a.m. Child-care for small children	TAKILMA BIBLE CHURCH 10343 Takilma Road, Takilma Pastor Dan Robinson Bible Study / Prayer Time 9:30 a.m. Morning Worship 11 a.m Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m	FOUNTAIN OF LIFE ASSEMBLY OF GOD 451 S. Junction Ave., CJ 541-592-3956 Pastor Mark McLean Morning Worship 9:30 & 11 a.m. Wednesday - 7 p.m. Adult Bible Study	
Illinois Valley Praise Center 28569 Redwood Hwy. CJ Non-denominational Bible-believing Church Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. Sunday Service 10:30 a.m. Thursday Seekers 7 p.m. Youth group Thursday - 7 p.m. www.ivpraisecenter.com	First Baptist Church of Selma 18285 Redwood Hwy., Selma 541-597-4169 Pastor Monty Pope Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m.	ST. MATTHIAS EPISCOPAL CHURCH 25904 Redwood Hwy., CJ 541-592-2006 Rev. Bryant Bechtold Sunday Worship Service 10:30 a.m.	



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