

## Here Comes The Fall!

Wow! Summer's gone and fall has arrived! Falling leaves, Football and all that goes with it. That great fall smell..I hope it lasst a bit, seems like the in-between seasons are rarely here anymore. Well, enjoy it while it lasts! Not much to write about this month.

## The Fence

There was a little boy with a bad temper. His father gave him a bag of nails and told him that every time he lost his temper, to hammer a nail in the back fence. The first day the boy had driven 37 nails into the fence. Then it gradually dwindled down. He discovered it was easier to hold his temper than to drive those nails into the fence. Finally the day came when the boy didn't lose his temper at all. He told his father about it and the father suggested that the boy now pull out one nail for each day that he was able to hold his temper. The days passed and the young boy was finally able to tell his father that all the nails were gone. The father took his son by the hand and led him to the fence. He said, "You have done well, my son, but look at the holes in the fence. The fence will never be the same. When you say things in anger, they leave a scar just like this one. You can put a knife in a man and draw it out. It won't matter how many times you say I'm sorry, the wound is still there. A verbal wound is as bad as a physical one. Friends are a very rare jewel, indeed. They make you smile and encourage you to succeed. They lend an ear, they share a word of praise, and they always want to open their hearts to us."

## A Word From Joel

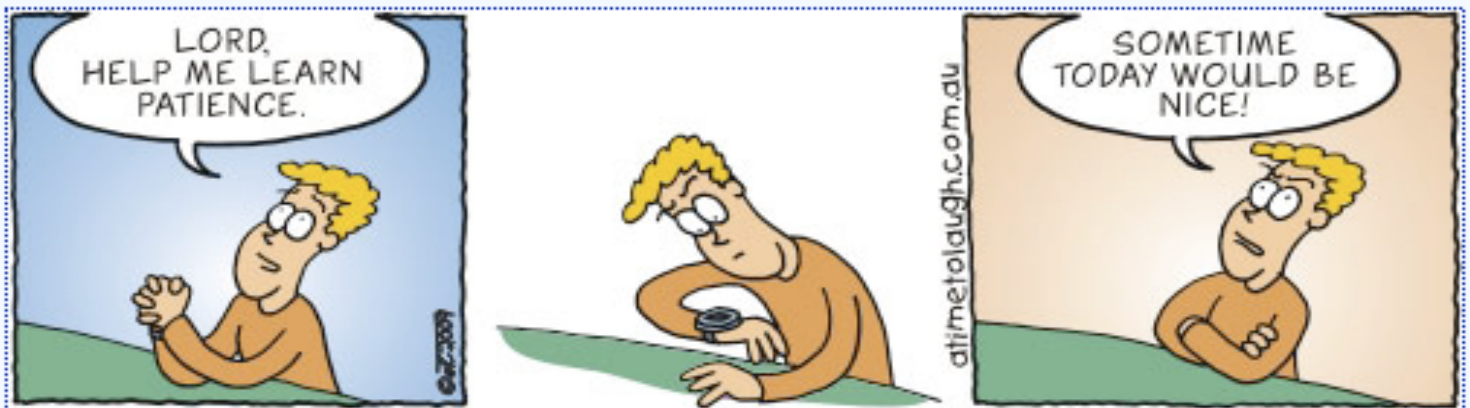
### *Change Your Song*

*"Unto You, O my Strength, I will sing praises; for God is my Defense, my Fortress, and High Tower, the God Who shows me mercy and steadfast love" (Psalm 59:17, AMP)*

In the Bible, David had all kinds of challenges. People lied about him, accused him, and tried to kill him. In Psalm 59 he says, "My enemies are coming against me like vicious dogs trying to destroy me. But as for me, what am I going to do? I will sing about Your power. And I will shout for joy for You are my refuge, my place of safety in my day of distress."

Notice, in David's time of need, he wasn't sitting around having a pity party and complaining. He decided to sing about the greatness of God. He was saying in effect, "My enemies may be powerful, but I know my God is all powerful. My obstacles may be high, but I know my God is the Most High." He wasn't talking to God about how big his problems were; he was talking to his problems about how big his God was!

Do you need to change your song today? Instead of complaining and thinking about what you're not, start thanking God for what you are becoming. Just like David, stay in faith and sing to the Lord knowing that He's going to complete what He's started in you.



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# DO YOU KNOW?...

*What Bible archaeology discovery has had the all-time greatest impact?*



“Probably the Dead Sea Scrolls have had the greatest Biblical impact. They have provided Old Testament manuscripts approximately 1,000 years older than our previous oldest manuscript. The Dead Sea Scrolls have demonstrated that the Old Testament was accurately transmitted during this interval. In addition, they provide a wealth of information on the times leading up to, and during, the life of Christ.”

—Dr. Bryant Wood, archaeologist,  
Associates for Biblical Research

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Sept 19, 2009 (Saturday) - 6:00 PM**  
New Hope Church - Kansas City, MO

**Sept 20, 2009 (Sunday) - 10:00 AM**  
Christ Chapel, Platte City, MO

**Sept 20, 2009 (Sunday) - 6:00 PM**  
First Assembly of God Church  
Independence, MO

**Sept 26, 2009 (Saturday) - 1:00-9:00 PM**  
Salvation Army Fund Raiser, Wichita, KS

**Sept 27, 2009 (Sunday) - 10:50 AM**  
Trinity Church of the Nazarene  
Wichita, KS

**Sept 27, 2009 (Sunday) - 7:00 PM**  
First Christian Church, Emporia, KS

**Oct 03, 2009 (Saturday) - 10AM-6PM**  
Biblesta Festival - Humbolt, KS

**Oct 04, 2009 (Sunday) - 11:00 AM**  
First Presbyterian Church  
Minneapolis, KS

**Oct 04, 2009 (Sunday) - 6:30 PM**  
First Baptist Church, Sedan, KS

**Oct 10, 2009 (Saturday) - 6:00 PM**  
Bel Air Baptist Church  
Keokuk, IA

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