



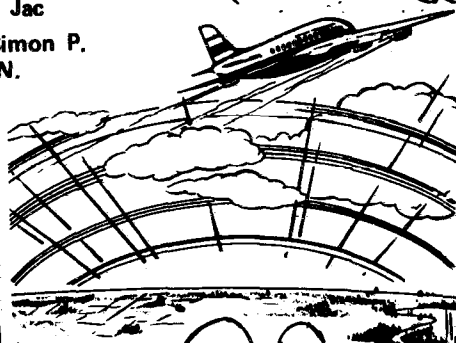
# Life with Grandpa!

Vol. 3

Come join David, Davida & Techi in their travels, handyman & gardening adventures with Grandpa & Family!

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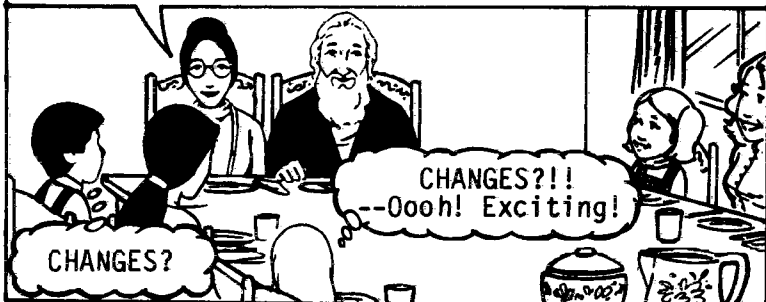
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# OUR TRAVELS - Part One

## GOODBYE, FARM!

Are you all ready for changes? Grandpa has a surprise announcement!



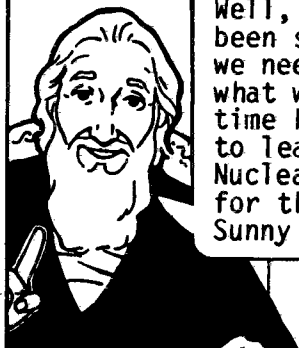
Did you all enjoy the "Eden's Fruits" series?



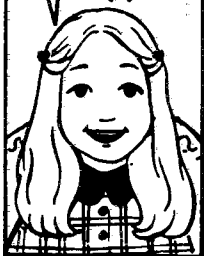
Oh, yes, Grandpa! We learned so much from it!



Well, the Lord has been showing me that we need to practice what we preach! The time has come for us to leave the cold Nuclear North and head for the warmer Safer Sunny South and East!



How exciting!



That's great, Grandpa! Where are we going?

Ah ha! That's a secret for now!

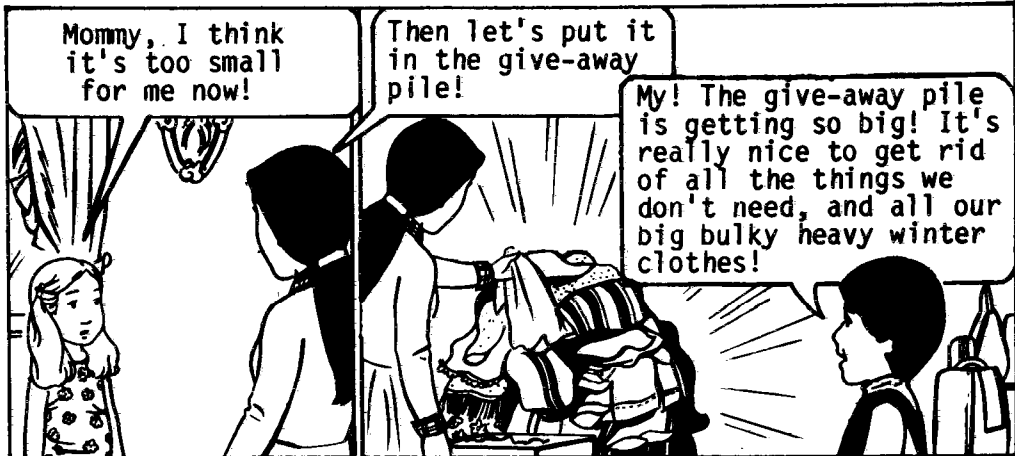


And so the preparations for our departure began! Oh my! Things were busy, busy, busy!



Please try this on, Davida!





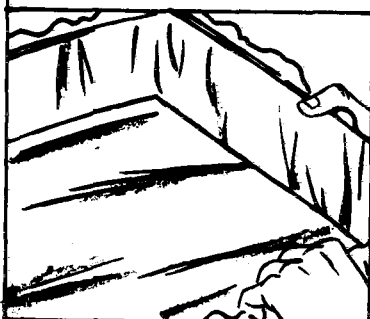
There! Now that we've finished cleaning the suitcases, we'll line them with clean plastic garbage bags!



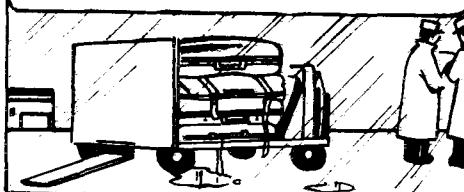
But why, Uncle Alf?



That's to protect the things we put inside from possible damage by water!



You see, on very long trips especially, sometimes suitcases are left out on the airport runway or someplace where they can get damaged by the rain!



Next, David, would you like to help me label them inside and out with white stick-on labels like Grandpa taught us to do?



How can they read labels that are inside the case, Uncle Alf?



That's in case the outside label gets scraped off by mistake! The labels tell what name and city to send the suitcase to.



What shall we do with this bag, Sir? The label has come off!



Open it up! Maybe we'll find the people's name and what city to send it to.

Smart people! They labelled the case both inside and out! Now we know where to send it!

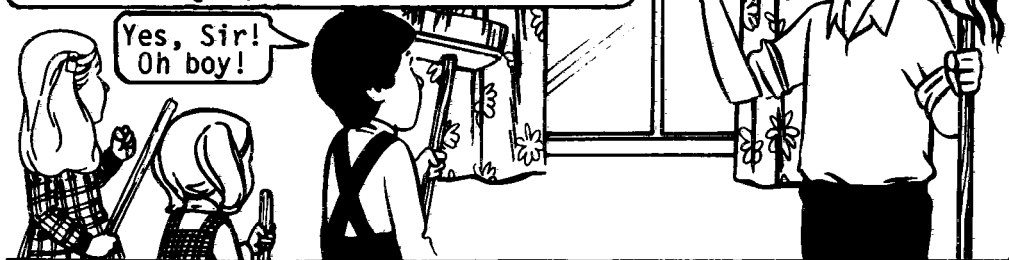




While Grandpa, Mommy, and their staff were busy finishing up their work on the Letters, we children did all that we could to be a big help and blessing around the house!

We can't type or write Grandpa Stories! But we can do the "little people's" jobs like sweeping and cleaning up!--So are you ready for some fun jobs?

Yes, Sir!  
Oh boy!



Grandpa always likes to leave a house in a better condition than when he found it!

It's a good testimony!



That's right, David! It shows that we're God's children and are obeying His laws of love and cleanliness!

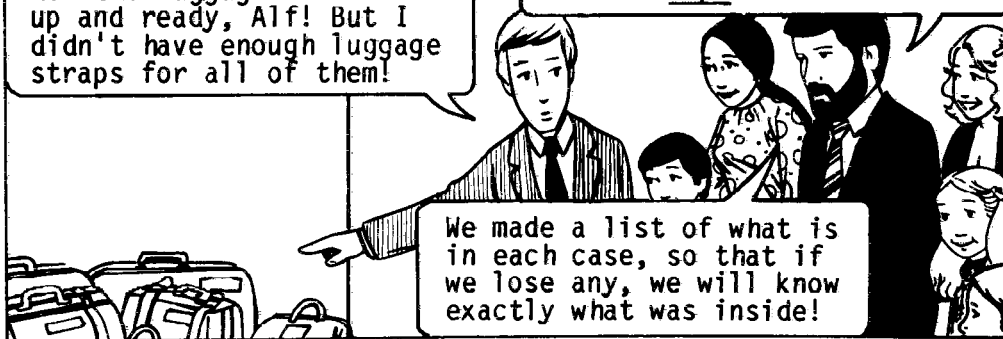


At last the great day of our departure came!

All the luggage is lined up and ready, Alf! But I didn't have enough luggage straps for all of them!

Thank you, James! Well, we can use rope around the rest.

We made a list of what is in each case, so that if we lose any, we will know exactly what was inside!



It's always good to have ropes or luggage straps around big suitcases! It prevents them from accidentally bursting open!



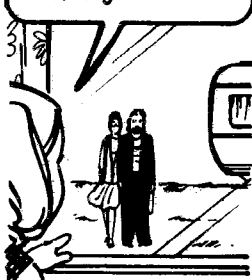
Grandpa says it's not good to have all your keys on one big chain, because if you lose them, then you've lost the keys to every-  
thing!



There are usu-  
ally two keys  
per suitcase, so  
I'll give you  
one set and I'll  
keep the other.



Here come  
Grandpa and  
Mommy!



Good morning, brave pioneers!

Good morning, Grandpa!  
Good morning, Mommy!



I'm glad to see you're  
all ready early, as I  
told you to  
be!



Our transpor-  
tation to the  
airport is  
ready, Sir!

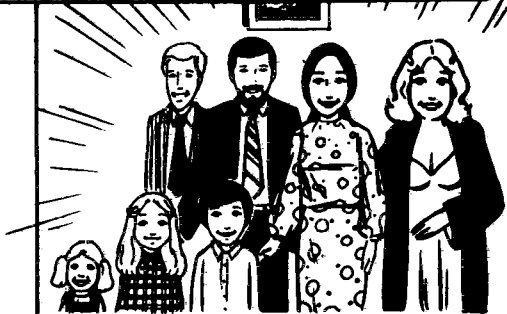


Good! It's always a good idea to arrive  
at the airport or station with plenty  
of time to spare, and not at the last  
minute! The airlines usually suggest  
you be there one or two hours ahead of  
time!



Everybody's looking nice and neat and smart, don't you think, Mama?

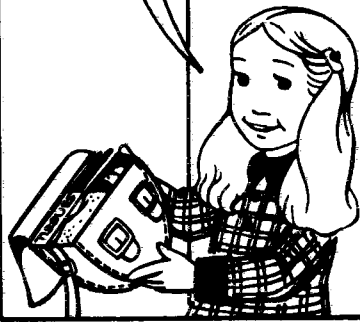
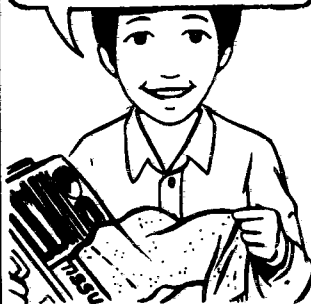
Yes, very nice! And I'm glad to see that you all are wearing loose and comfortable clothing!--Nothing too tight or uncomfortable for a long flight!



Also, if you are flying on an airplane, it's good to take along a sweater, as sometimes it can be quite cool!

Mommy, we have our sweaters in our schoolbags! We can either carry it on our shoulder or our back!

And we also have tissues, and some small toys and books for the journey!



Daddy has our passports!

It's very good for the parents to look after the children's passports!

And please, everyone, be sure to keep your passport very safely, as it is one of your most valuable possessions!

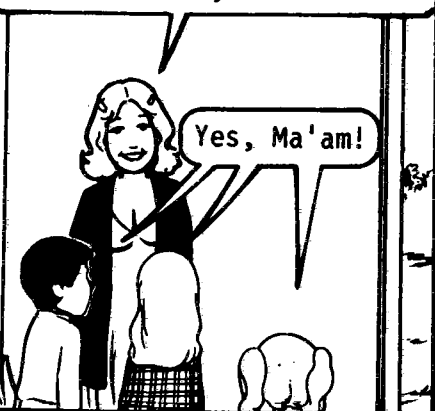
It is your passport to freedom to preach the Gospel!



Maybe the children should try to go potty now, so they won't have to use the ones at the airport, as they are often very dirty!



Good idea! Do you want to come with me, children?



Yes, Ma'am!

And remember, children, throughout the whole trip you need to stay very close to an adult and hold their hand! Don't ever stray away on your own, okay?



Yes, Ma'am!

I'm going to be a good girl!

Alf, did you count our luggage?



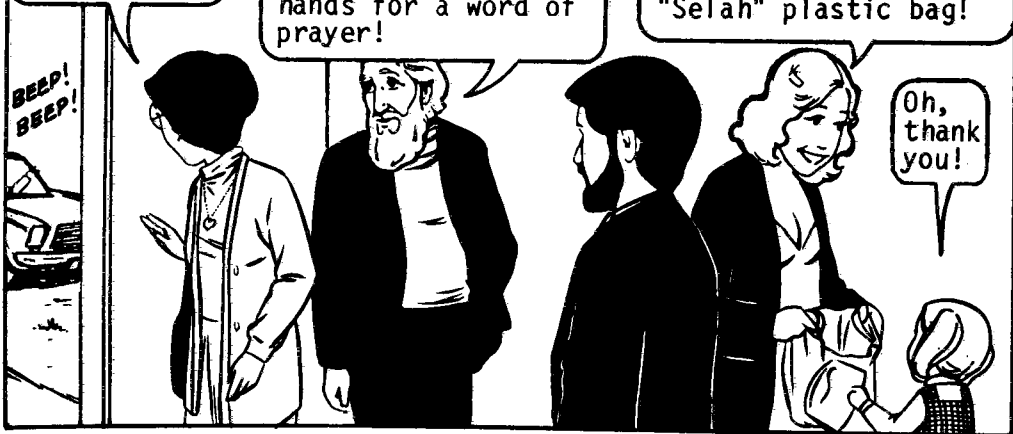
Yes, Sir! We have 12 suitcases and seven pieces of hand luggage!

The cars are ready!

Good! Before we load up, let's all join hands for a word of prayer!

Techi, you can carry your own potty in this "Selah" plastic bag!

Oh, thank you!



Jesus, please bless and keep us now as we drive to the airport! We pray for this luggage that not one piece will get lost or damaged or stolen!

And please help the airline to take our extra luggage free of charge! Thy will be done!

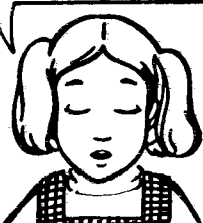
Please bless and keep the children, Lord, and help them to be good witnesses by being sweet and cheerful to all the people they see!



Please, Jesus, send Thy angels to prepare the way before us! Keep us safely as we travel such a long way across land and sea!

And please, Jesus, help me to be a blessing and comfort to Grandpa, and not do anything bad!

In Jesus' name, amen!



So this is it! Out the door we go!

Oh, I'm so excited!

James and I will load up the luggage!





And so we waved goodbye to the Farm in France, which had been our happy home for many months, and off we drove to the airport!

Bye-bye,  
Mr. Farmer!

Au revoir! Goodbye!  
Bon voyage!

Bye-bye,  
Bingo and James!

Woof!

Will we ever see  
the Farm again,  
Grandpa?

Of course, Tech! The  
Lord has promised us  
every inch of ground  
we set foot on! In  
the Millennium we'll  
be able to come back  
and enjoy again these  
beautiful places  
where we've spent so  
many happy days!



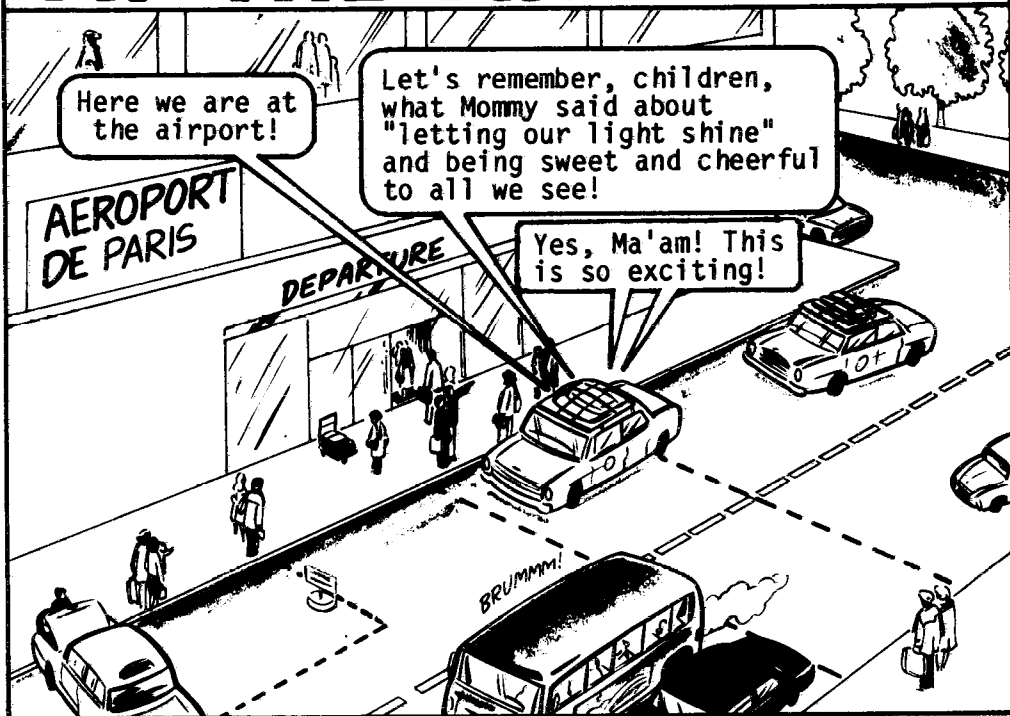
Like Grandpa  
says, "How  
like death  
moving is!

It's the ending of  
one life and the  
beginning of  
another! --And as  
we drove to the  
airport we were all  
excitedly wondering  
where the beginning  
of our new life  
would be!

Now go with us,   
Precious Saviour, as  
we journey on our  
 way....

# OUR TRAVELS -Part Two

## AT THE AIRPORT!



The children should sit quietly with you and Dora by the check-in counter, while Alf and James check in the luggage!

Oooh! This is fun! I can hardly wait to get on the big airplane!

Yes, Sir!



Let's put the hand luggage on a separate trolley, so that we don't get the different types of luggage mixed up!--Did you count them?

Yes, Sir! We have seven separate pieces of hand luggage!

Good! Be sure to keep counting them at every stage of the trip, to make sure we have them all!

Yes, Ma'am!  
I'll do that!

A little later--

Good! Your tickets are in order, Sir! I've given your party seats all together at the center of the plane, like you asked for!

Thank you very much, Ma'am!

Please put your luggage on the weigh-in machine!

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Yes, Ma'am!

I've checked each piece of luggage again and made sure they're all locked!

I wonder what that is?

**TECHI, STOP!**

Please, Tech! Don't ever pick up anything off the dirty, filthy floor! It's probably very dirty!

In fact, when you are out in public, never ever put your toys on the floor, or touch it or sit down on it!

We won't, Ma'am!

It is filthy, as hundreds of people have been walking on it, and spreading the dirt and germs from all over the dirty city!

And another thing, Tech, is that you should not have wandered off like that!

I'm sorry Aunt Dora!

Busy places like airports and stations are often crowded, and it is easy for little children to get lost if they wander off!

So always stay very, very close to the adults you are with, and hold their hand if necessary!

We also don't want to talk too loudly in public and attract other people's attention!

Mommy? Daddy?

Yes, Ma'am! We'll really try to talk softly!

No, I'm sorry, Sir!  
It's impossible!

Children, we have a little  
problem! We need your help!



Because of all our books  
and heavy equipment, we  
are 80 kilos overweight,  
and the lady won't let us  
take it on the flight un-  
less we pay a lot of money.

Oh dear! But  
Grandpa prayed--



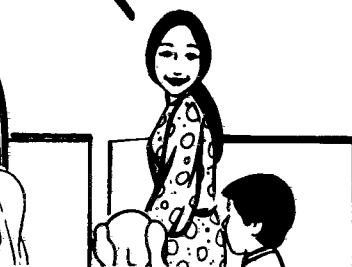
Well, Mommy Maria thinks the  
Lord could use you children to  
open the door and change the  
lady's mind!

Just be very sweet and  
smile and be good samples!

And pray silently!



Well, may I  
speak with the  
head manager,  
please?



You see, Sir, we're Christian  
workers and really can't afford  
to pay the extra money, which we  
desperately need for  
God's work!

Please! We really need  
the extra luggage for  
the children's sake!

Please, Jesus! Do  
a miracle and  
touch their hearts  
to let our baggage  
on for free!



Oh, aren't the children cute! They look like the Trapp family from the "Sound of Music"!

This is my new toy puppy!

Our rules about extra luggage are very strict, I'm afraid.

But in your case, I think we'll be able to make an exception!

Let their luggage through!

Oh, thank you, Sir!

God bless you!

This is for you!

Oh, so cute! A 1 Franc tip! Thank you!

FLIGHT 863 IS  
NOW BOARDING AT  
GATE 7.

The Lord answered your prayer for the overweight luggage, Grandpa!

Yes! Thank You Jesus! And thank you, children! Good work! You were very good samples!

Controle des Passeports

Now we're coming to "Passport Control". It's important to be a very good sample whenever you cross borders and have to show your passport!



Yes, Ma'am!

Hmmmm! I see you've been in France a long time!



Yes, Sir! We like France and its people very much!



Eh bien! Come again!

Merci! Thank you! Au Revoir!



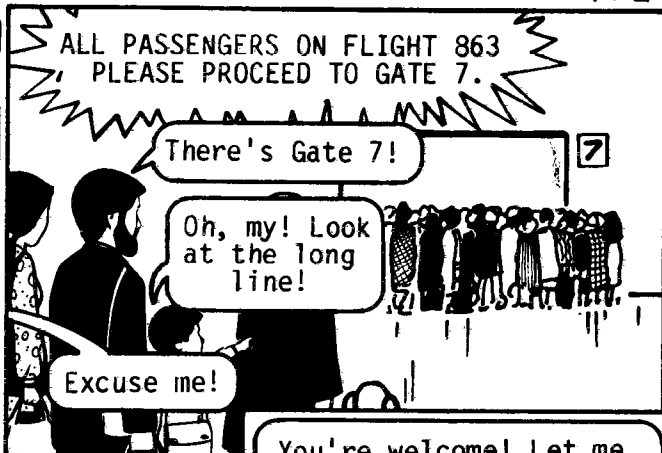
ALL PASSENGERS ON FLIGHT 863 PLEASE PROCEED TO GATE 7.

There's Gate 7!

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Oh, my! Look at the long line!

Excuse me!



Please come with us!

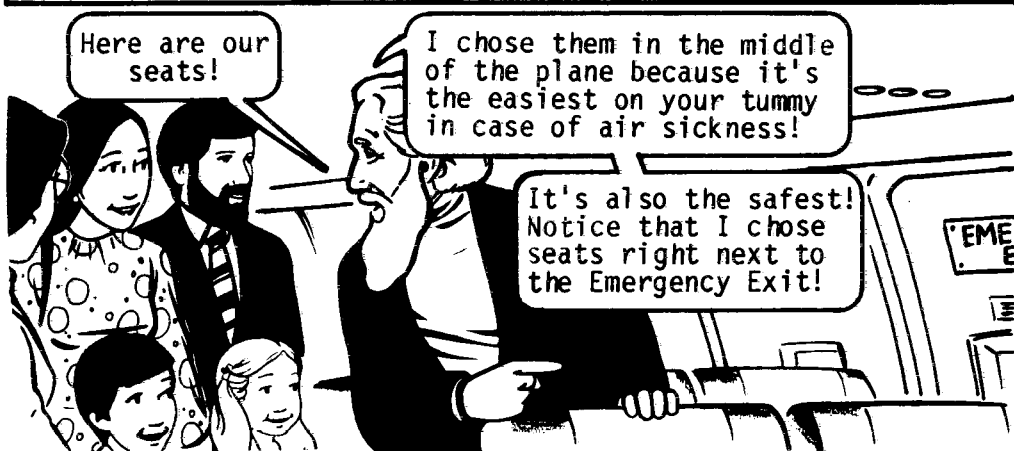
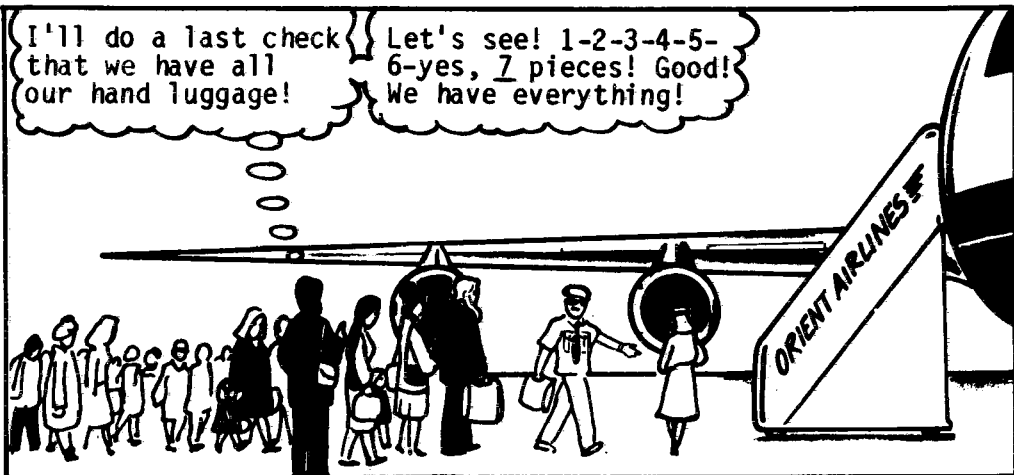
We'll help your party board the plane first!

God bless you! Thank you! You're so very kind!

You're welcome! Let me help you with your hand baggage!

Amazing! Showing a little real love really does go a long, long way!





Yes, I suggest that we all sit down first with the bags on our laps! We can put them away later after the other passengers have passed down the aisle!

Who are the pretty ladies who are helping everyone?

Yes, Sir!

They are the stewardesses! Their job is to serve us meals and drinks during the flight and to make sure everyone is happy and has everything they need!

Excuse me, Ma'am! I suggest that you claim these extra seats for your children to sleep on tonight!

Yes! Thank you so much! It's good to work it out now at the beginning of the flight!

Yes, sometimes the plane is so crowded, people have to put their children to sleep on the floor in the aisles! But today we have lots of room! I'll bring you some blankets too!

Praise the Lord! Another miracle!

Thank you! You're so kind!

Good, the rest of the passengers are settled now, so we can put away our hand luggage in the upper racks! We can keep the things we need for the flight under our feet!



Look! A little sign flashed on! It says, "Fasten Seatbelts. No Smoking".



SMILE, EVERYONE!



NO, SARA!  
WAIT!

I suggest that you don't take photos while the "No Smoking" sign is on! Any spark of light may alarm the people into thinking there could be a fire!



Yes, Sir! That's a good tip!

During take-off it's very important to sit still and be quiet!--And pray!



So, without anybody seeing us, let's hold hands in our seating groups and quietly pray for a safe take-off! When we're in public like this, we can pray with our eyes open!



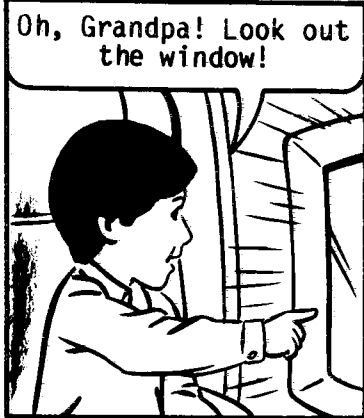
Dear Jesus, please protect and keep us as we fly in this big airplane! Help the engines and every part of it to work properly! Please help the pilot to fly it safely to our destination!



In Jesus' name, amen!

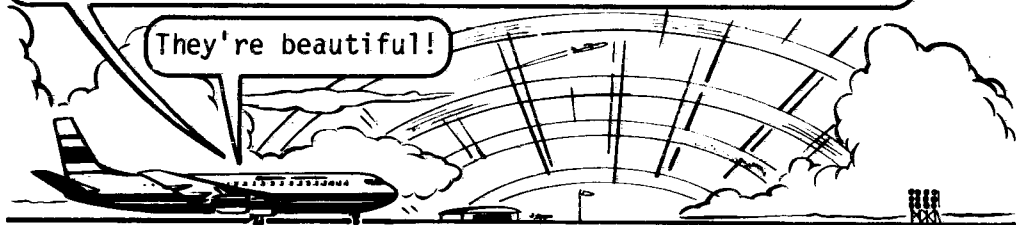
Oh, Grandpa! Look out the window!

Oh my! Praise the Lord! Look, everybody!



Four huge beautiful rainbows stretching across the sky!

They're beautiful!



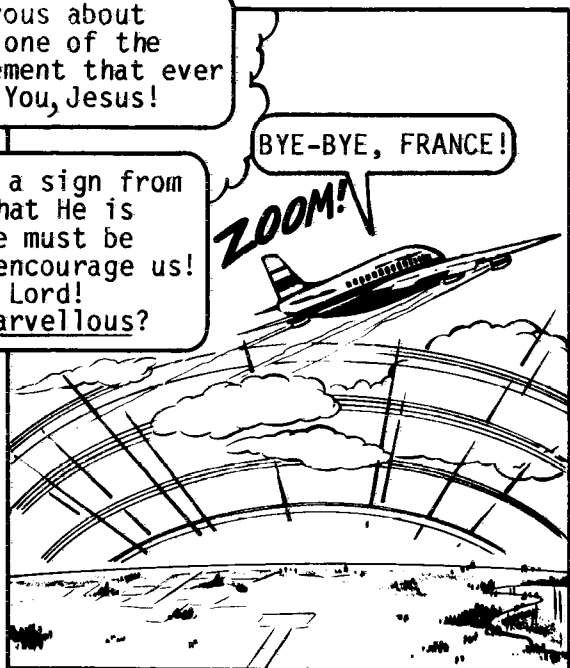
I was feeling a little nervous about the take-off, but that was one of the greatest signs of encouragement that ever could have happened! Thank You, Jesus!

That's a miracle, Grandpa! Four rainbows!

It must be a sign from the Lord that He is with us! He must be trying to encourage us! Praise the Lord! Isn't He marvellous?

BYE-BYE, FRANCE!

**ZOOM!**



# OUR TRAVELS -Part THREE ON THE WINGS OF AN EAGLE



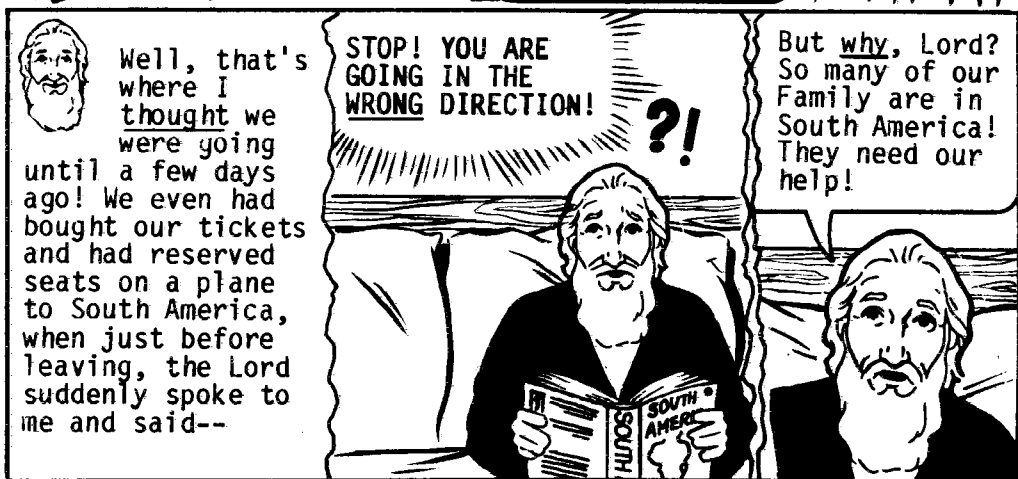
Grandpa, this is fun! We're flying so high!

Yes, David! And this is how I always wanted to travel!--Our whole family together!



Now I'll show you on the map where we're going! Can you guess?

To South America?



Well, that's where I thought we were going until a few days ago! We even had bought our tickets and had reserved seats on a plane to South America, when just before leaving, the Lord suddenly spoke to me and said--

STOP! YOU ARE GOING IN THE WRONG DIRECTION!

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But why, Lord? So many of our Family are in South America! They need our help!

YOU ARE NOT TO GO TOWARD  
THE LAND OF THE SETTING  
SUN AND THE PAST, BUT  
TOWARD THE LAND OF THE  
RISING SUN AND THE FUTURE!

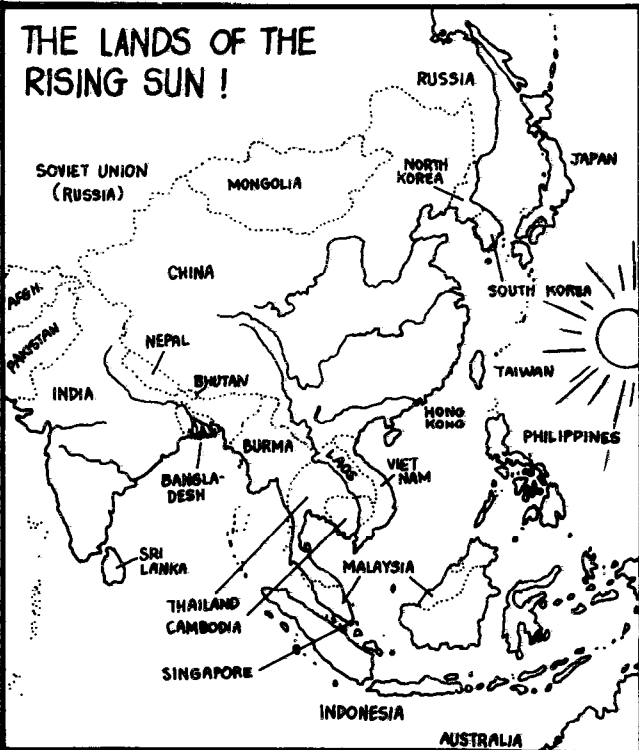
YOU ARE TO GO  
EASTWARD, NOT  
WESTWARD!

Isn't it amazing  
how the Lord can  
change your plans  
like that at the  
last minute?  
What a miracle!

Here on the map you  
can see the part of  
the World we're fly-  
ing to!--The Lands  
of the Rising Sun!  
Praise the Lord!

These are all the  
Lands of the Rising  
Sun, the Lands of the  
Future! This is one  
of the most important  
parts of the World  
today! Two-thirds of  
the World's population  
live there! It has  
five times as many  
people as South  
America!

## THE LANDS OF THE RISING SUN !





The East is rich with a great mass of billions of people!

That's the kind of riches that we're after, the greatest riches in the world! --Souls!

Amen!

David, airplanes often carry free books and toys for children to play with! Why don't you ask the pretty stewardess for some the next time she walks by!

Okay, Daddy! She's coming now!

Excuse me, please!

Oh, you're a little sweetheart! Can I help you?

Yes, Ma'am! Do you have any little toys or books for my two friends and me to play with, please?

Yes! I'll bring you some!

Thank you so much!

So the children can be more comfy, they can take their shoes off and put them neatly under the seats!

You can just wear your socks on the plane, Tech! Then it's all right if you put your feet up on the seat!

Oooh! Thank you! That feels much nicer!

Here you are, children! With the compliments of the airline!

Oh, thank you!  
You're very sweet!

Look at how much she brought! There are colour books, crayons, puzzles, and toys!

Thank You, Jesus!  
"Ask and ye shall receive!"

Maybe you could play with your toys after dinner. But now they're serving the food, so let's go and wash our hands with soap, and go potty.

Yes, Ma'am!

The toilets are down here at the end of the plane!

Look! They serve the food on little trays!

Yes! Isn't that fun!

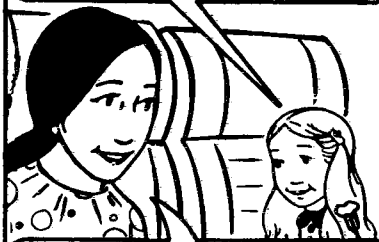
A few minutes later--

Now that we're all washed up and ready to eat, let's all hold hands in our little groups, and very quietly pray for the food!

Jesus, please bless the sweet stewardess for bringing us these nice trays of food! Please don't let any of the food do us harm and use it to give us strength for our long journey.

In Jesus' name, amen!

Mmmm! It's really yummy!  
But I don't think I can  
eat it all!



Yes, airlines usually do  
serve a lot of food at  
meal times!

This is why I  
brought along  
these plastic  
bags, to put  
everyone's left-  
over food in, in  
case we need  
snacks later.



Hi, sweet  
Grandpa! What  
are you doing?



You can hear music on  
these headphones! I'm  
going to find some  
nice soothing music  
to listen to!



Perhaps you chil-  
dren could read  
and play now for a  
little while, and  
then we'll plan to  
go to sleep early  
tonight.



It's always a good  
idea to try to  
sleep as much as  
possible on long  
trips!

Okay!  
Yes,  
Ma'am!



May I read my Daily Might,  
please, Mommy?--Auntie Sara  
said I could bring it if I  
covered it with different paper  
on the outside.



Good! Yes,  
David! You  
may!

Excuse me! Are you  
missionaries?



Why do you ask?

Well, you just all look so good!

PAT!  
PAT!

And your children are so quiet and well-behaved! What makes them that way?

Love!

Yes, plenty of love, along with good training and discipline!

Look, Aunt Dora, that little girl is being so naughty!

Come here, Dear!

NO! I don't want to!

Yes, she's throwing her toys and crawling on the dirty floor and close to the hot coffee cup. She's not obeying her Mommy and Daddy.

Oh my!

And look at that poor fat boy!

He's eating a whole box of cookies, and drinking his fourth Coca-Cola!

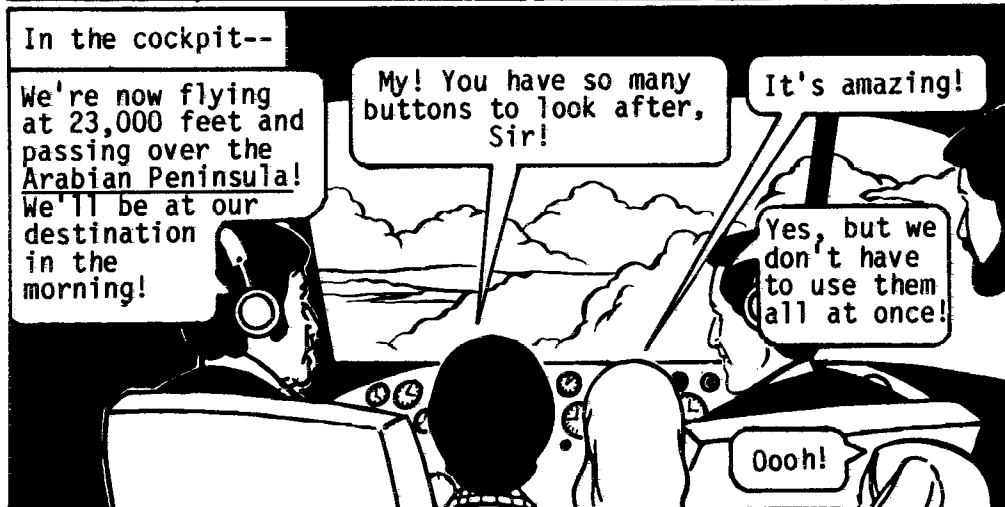
He'll get sick!

I'm very proud of you children that you're so good!

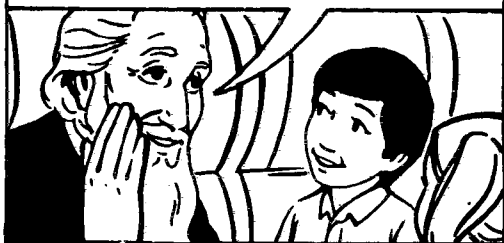
Remember, it's best to always avoid bad little children! Try not to have anything to do with them if you don't have to!

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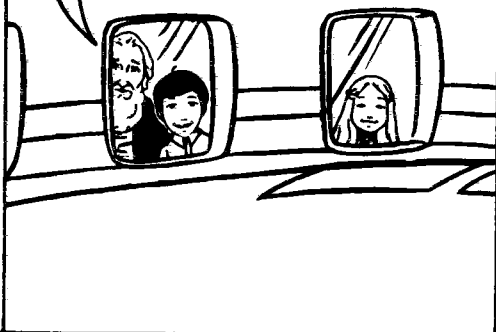
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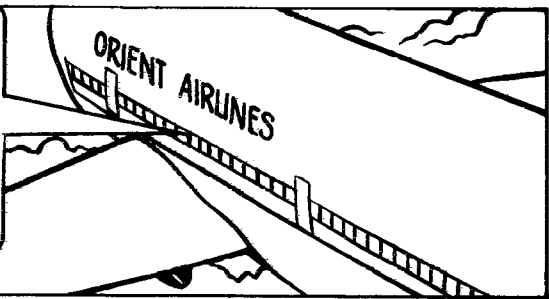
Right! As well as that verse in Revelation Chapter 12, which says, "And to the woman were given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness!" (Rev.12:14)



Look, children! That's just what we're doing!



We are part of the Church!  
We are the woman, the Bride of Christ, and we've been given wings to fly from the rich North to the wilderness of the mission field! --To the Lands of the Rising Sun! --See the two big wings?



After this, Mommy suggested that we go potty, wash up, and then settle down for a long night's sleep!

Jesus, please bless the children with a good night's sleep! Please keep us safely as we travel through the night, and wake us up refreshed and strengthened and ready for our landing in the morning!



In Jesus' name, amen! Thank You, Jesus!



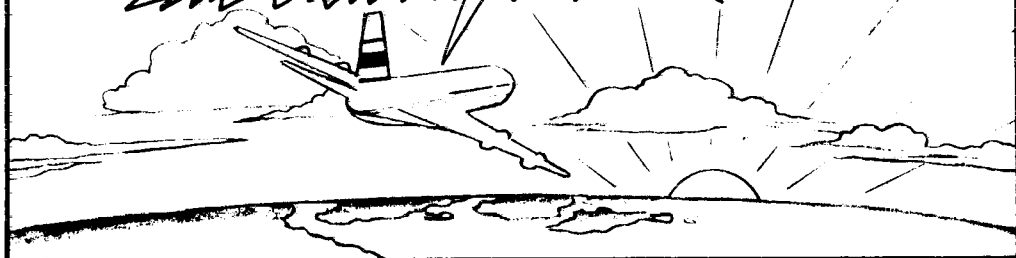
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## OUR LANDING !

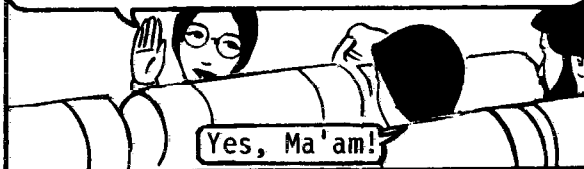


After a good night's sleep on the plane, we woke up and had breakfast! We were so excited! In half-an-hour we would be landing in the exotic East!

GOOD MORNING! THIS IS YOUR CAPTAIN SPEAKING! WE WILL BE ARRIVING AT OUR DESTINATION SHORTLY! WE HOPE YOU HAD A PLEASANT FLIGHT!

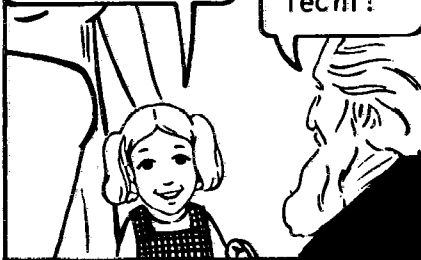


Please pray especially for Grandpa! He's feeling a little nervous about going through the customs check!



Good morning, Grandpa!

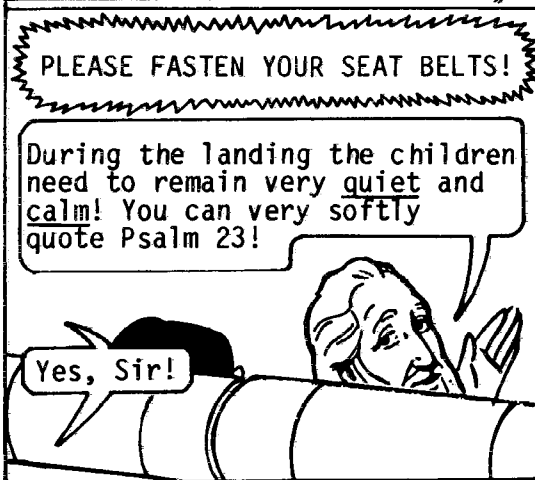
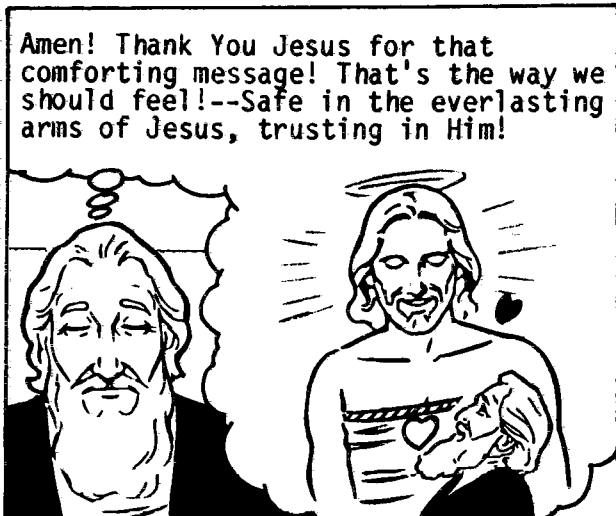
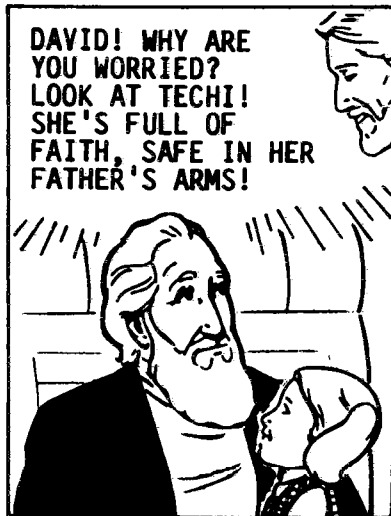
Good morning, Tech!



Dear Tech! Here she is in a brand new situation! She doesn't know where she's going or anything, yet she has so much faith! She's just trusting me that I am going to take care of her.

I love you, Grandpa!

I love you too, Sweetheart!



"Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,  
I will fear no evil: for Thou art with me; Thy rod and Thy  
staff they comfort me!"



"Thou preparest a table before me  
in the presence of mine enemies:  
Thou anointest my head with  
oil! My cup runneth over!"



"Surely goodness and mercy shall  
follow me all the days of my  
life: and I will dwell in the  
house of the Lord forever!"

A perfect landing!  
Thank the Lord!



Alf, maybe you'd like  
to recount our hand  
luggage, and make  
sure we still have  
all seven pieces!

Yes,  
Ma'am!



But wait, folks! There's no  
hurry! Sit and enjoy it! Relax!



Everyone always jumps up  
and tries to get off the  
plane first! But they still  
have to stand in line for  
sometimes half-an-hour!

But if we sit and wait until last,  
we won't have to stand so long!



All right, let's go now!  
Alf, do we still have all  
seven bags?

Yes, Sir! There  
are five, six,  
seven--eight?!!



The eight bag is  
all the leftover  
food that we  
collected during  
the flight!

I'll help  
you carry  
that, Ma'am!



Why,  
thank you!

We hope you enjoyed  
your flight!

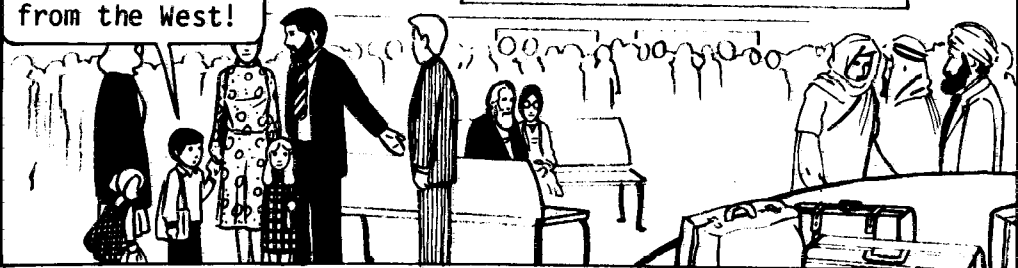
Yes, thank you!  
God bless you for  
taking such good  
care of us!



If you'd like to sit here and watch  
the hand luggage, James and I will  
go and collect our suitcases!

Oh my! This is  
so different  
from the West!

BAGGAGE CLAIM



Yes, look, there are Indian women wearing saris, and Arab men wearing robes!

Everybody's speaking different languages!

Namaste! Ab kaise hai?\*

I like it in the East! It's exciting!

Tikke!\*

\* Hindi: "Hello! How are you?"  
"Good!"

Just a word of caution! Grandpa wanted to remind us to be on the look-out for pick-pockets! We'd better keep our purses over our shoulders, as well as hold them tightly under our arms, and watch your hand luggage and keep it close to you!

Yes, Ma'am!

Good news!

All our luggage arrived safely and in perfect shape!

That's wonderful!

Thank You Jesus for answering our prayers!

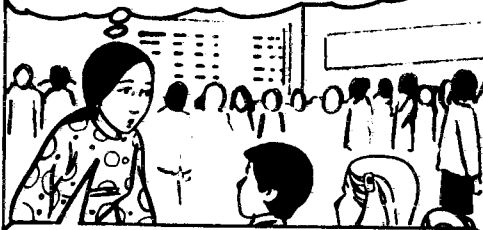
The next great event was passing through customs!

Thank the Lord, the man at the passport desk hardly even glanced at us, but, uh-oh, the customs man looks very stern!

CUSTOMS

NOTHING TO DECLARE

It will take a miracle for him not to open our cases and find our precious pubs and equipment!

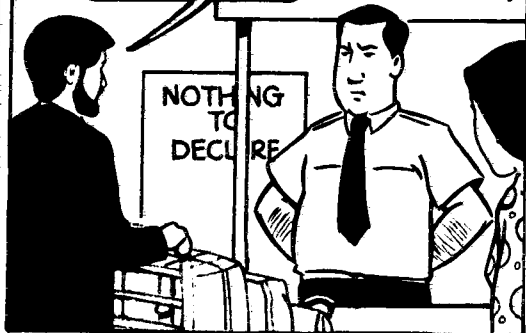


Remember, children, to smile at the customs man and be quiet and polite!

Are you here on business?

No, Sir!  
On holiday!

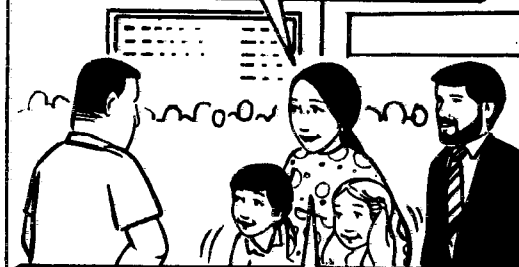
CUSTOMS



Maybe both holiday and business?



This is our business!  
They keep us plenty busy!



And we have another little girl coming behind us!

Well, you had better find her then!

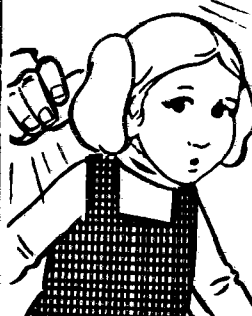


See how busy they keep us!  
We just got here and they're already keeping us busy!

Ha! Ha! Carry on!



PAT!  
PAT!  
?!



This way!  
This way!

AN ANGEL!



Thank you, Sir! Good day!

Thank you!



Thank You, Jesus!  
We're safely through!

Look! There's  
Peter and John!



Hello! Hi, everybody! It's wonderful  
to see you again! Did you have a  
good flight?

Yes, thank you, Son! With  
many of God's little  
miracles along the way!



Peter and I bought a  
little surprise for each  
of you children! Techí,  
this is for you!

An angel!--Just  
like the one I  
saw at customs!  
Oh, thank you!



You saw an  
angel, Techí?



Yes! He patted  
me on the  
shoulder and  
said, "This  
way! This  
way!"



That's amazing! Praise the  
Lord!--Because just before I  
got on the plane the Lord gave  
me an encouraging verse about  
the Holy Spirit whispering in  
our ears, "This is the way,  
walk ye in it!"  
(Isaiah 30:21)



It was also a direct answer to our prayers, Sir! We had been praying for both the Archangels Gabriel and Michael to guide you through!

Hallelujah! Expect miracles and in Jesus' name you'll get them! Thank the Lord for His angelic help and protection!

Excuse me, Sir, I think there's a policeman coming our way!

Don't worry! Just act normally!

What is in this?

He's suspicious about what's in Techy's "Selah" plastic bag!

It's the little girl's potty, Sir!

Potty? What is "potty"?

It's for when I need to tinkle!

Oh, I, er, see!

Okay, er, good! Thank you!

You're welcome, Sir! I love you!

That's very good, Techy, that you were sweet and kind to the policeman! He was only doing his duty!

Policemen are ministers of God,\* and are usually reasonable! We should always be thankful for the police, and for their protection and help!

\* Romans 13:4

Would you like to help me back the doors open, David?

"Back" them open?

EXIT

Yes! Like this!--This is so we don't have to touch the doors with our hands!

Door handles in public places are always very dirty!

Good idea!

Thank you, Alf and David!

LOOK, GRANDPA!  
THE BIG RED SUN!

Oh my! Yes, look, folks!  
This really is the Land  
of the Rising Sun!

Look all around,  
Grandpa! Every-  
thing looks so  
different from  
the North!

Yes! Praise the  
Lord! Isn't it  
wonderful how the  
Lord brought us  
all safely here  
together!--A happy  
family in a new  
land, for Jesus!

# OUR TRAVELS —Part FIVE

## TAXI RIDE !



Techi, would you like to take a taxi ride with Grandpa?

Yes, please, Grandpa!

Then you can come in this taxi with Mommy, Dora, James and I!



Please may I sit in the front, Grandpa?

Wouldn't you like to sit with me in the back?

I always try to sit in the back seat, as it's the safest!

Do both taxi drivers know exactly where we're going, Alf?

Yes, Sir! They know the name of the hotel and the address. I wrote the name and address on this card for you too, in case you need it.

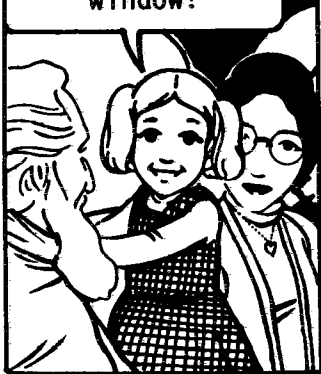


Where are Peter and John going, Grandpa?

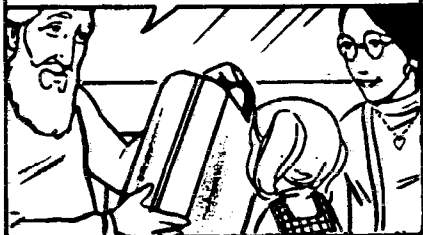


They're going to look for a nice house for us all to live in soon. But right now we're going to the hotel.

I'd like to stand on the seat, so I can see out the window!



Well, how would you like to sit on this little case instead? It's safest to always remain seated when we are in a car, and never stand up!



My! Taxis in the Third World are very dirty, aren't they? And by now my little case must be pretty dirty too!



So I'd better spread my jacket out over the case and seat, and you can sit and lean on the inside of my jacket!

You're so sweet to me!

Little girls should always protect their bottoms from getting dirty when they sit in taxis, buses, and trains!

That's why you're wearing thick panties and a slip under your dress!



Oh, I see!

So, is everybody comfortable?

Yes, Sir!

When travelling in a car or train, always be sure the doors are locked, so there's no chance of your falling out!



Also the car windows should not be lowered more than halfway!



I go now, Sir?



Yes! Please follow that other taxi!

Jesus, please help him to drive safely, and protect us from any harm! In Jesus' name!



Grandpa! Look at those people selling coconuts!

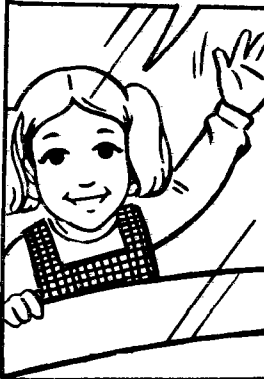


And, Techí, look at those oxen walking in the street!

And the natives going barefoot!



They smile so big when I wave at them!



It's just like Grandpa said it would be!-- On the "Eden's Fruits" videos!



Excuse me, Son, we'd like to drive a little slower, please! We're in no hurry!

Okay, Sir!  
I go slow!

Thank you!

If you are out in a taxi, James, and the driver is driving too fast, tell him to slow down!--The taxi driver is working for you! So you can tell him how to drive!

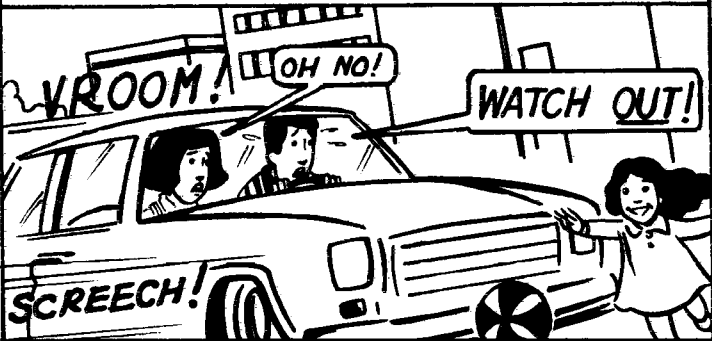
Yes, Sir! I'll remember that!

He's going slower now, Grandpa!

That's good! Because speed and fast driving kill!



When you drive fast, it's much more difficult not to hit things! You can't stop, swerve, or avoid problems so easily!



I'm going to fly my plane for the driver! Look!

VROOM!

NO, TECHI!

That could distract the driver! You must never be rowdy, noisy or foolish, or play with door handles, or do anything that might bother the driver and cause him to have an accident!

I'm sorry, Grandpa!

That's okay, Honey!  
This is a good  
chance for me to  
teach you some of  
the car safety rules  
that I've taught  
all my children!



Oh my! Tech, did you  
see that?



The driver  
threw something  
out the window!

It's very  
dangerous to  
throw things out  
of the window of  
a moving car! It  
could hit somebody  
walking on the  
street or a car  
behind you, and  
cause an accident!

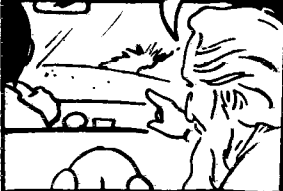


Grandpa, my tummy  
is feeling a  
little bit sick!

You're probably  
a little car  
sick, Honey!



The best thing  
to do is not to  
read or look down  
or look out of  
the side window!  
Keep your eyes  
directly on the  
road in front!



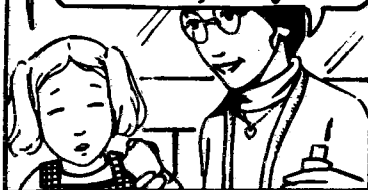
On a long trip,  
the best medicine  
for travel sick-  
ness is to lean back  
in your seat and go to  
sleep! Sleep relaxes  
your nerves!

Ahhh! Sweet  
sleep! That  
feels better!



Yes, I think I'm a  
little bit tired!

Wait, Honey! I'll  
wash your hands  
with cologne first!  
And if you need to  
rub your eyes, it's  
cleaner to use the  
back of your hand,  
or wrist, okay?



While travelling  
or in the dirty  
city, it's especi-  
ally important to  
wash your hands  
very often, and  
remember not to  
touch your eyes or  
mouth or food with  
dirty hands!

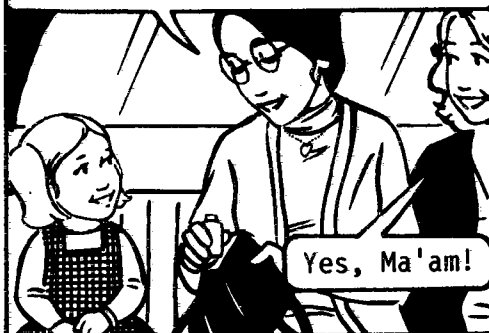
Thank you,  
Mommy!



When you go out  
it's always a good  
idea to carry a  
small bottle of  
very cheap cologne  
for cleaning your  
hands if you can't  
use water and soap.

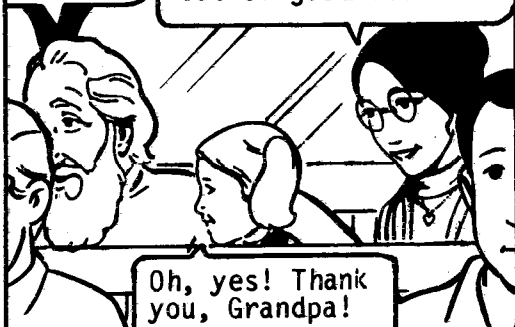


Poor thing! You must be hot!  
Let's take her blouse off,  
Dora! She can just wear her  
pinafore dress!

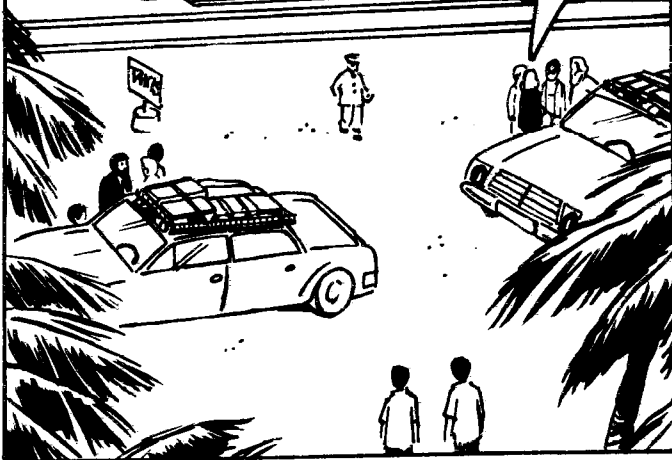


This is  
it!  
We're  
here!

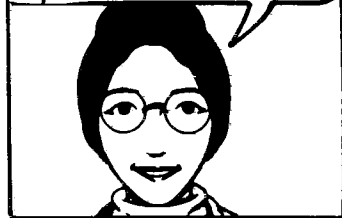
Wasn't that an  
exciting taxi ride  
with Grandpa, Tech?  
Didn't you learn a  
lot of good lessons?



Later you can share all  
those good car safety  
tips with David and Davida!



Yes! We're so blessed  
to get to see so many  
new places and learn  
so many good lessons  
everywhere we go!  
Each new experience  
is a learning  
experience!



# OUR TRAVELS —Part SIX AT THE HOTEL!

Here we are at the hotel!

We will be staying here for a few days until we can get settled into our new house!

Good day, Sir! May I take those for you?

Yes, thank you!



God bless you, children! You have been very quiet and obedient throughout the whole trip!

Yes! You have been real good soldiers!--And I know you'll continue to be quiet and orderly and good samples while we stay at the hotel!

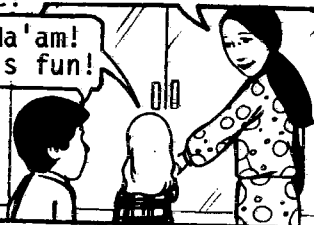
Yes, Ma'am!

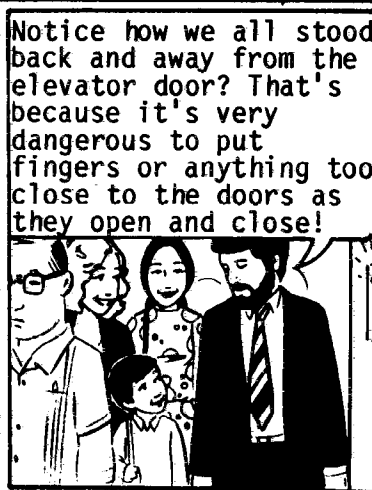
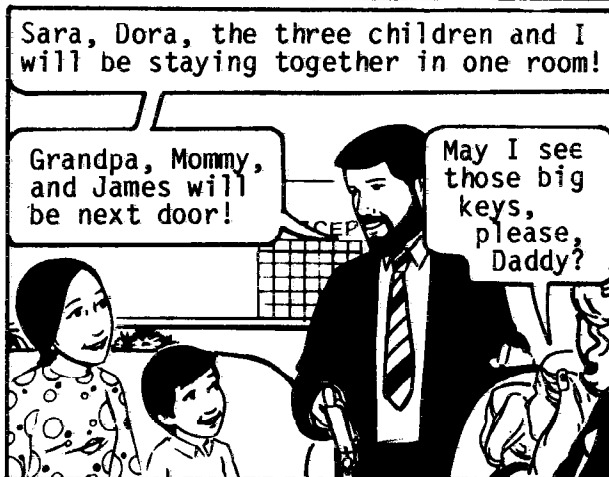
We need to show people that God's kids are good kids!

Right!  
Very good, Tech!

Come with me, you Brave Pioneers! Stay close, and hold my hand as we go inside!

Yes, Ma'am!  
This is fun!

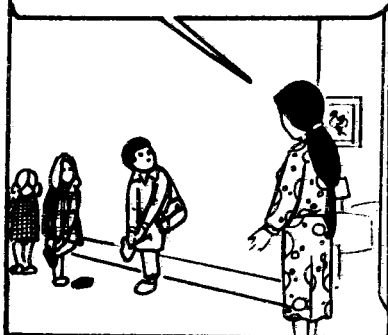




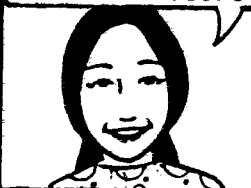
Here we are! This is our room! We're on the second floor!



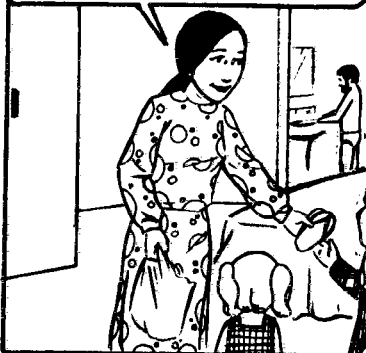
Oh, children! Please keep your street shoes on when we go inside a hotel room!



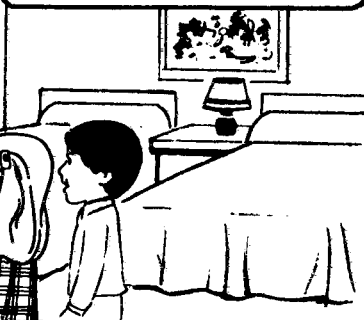
Grandpa has taught us that we should never go barefoot on the dirty hotel floor because other people wear their street shoes on these floors!



But now you can change into these things just to be more comfy.



In hot countries the best thing for your feet is to wear thongs or sandals!



Oooh! It feels so nice to take my shoes off!

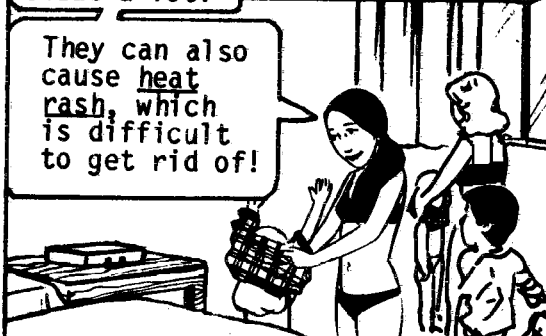


Oh, you poor thing! Your nylon socks have made your feet all sweaty! We need to get you some cotton ones!



It's always best, and coolest, to wear cotton in hot countries, as synthetic or artificial, unnatural materials can make you sweat a lot!

They can also cause heat rash, which is difficult to get rid of!



I'll air the children's clothes on the back of a chair! Then they can wear them out to the restaurant tonight!



Whoops! It's better not to sit on the hotel bedspread with just your panties on, Tech!



This hotel furniture has been used by other people and isn't very clean. After we shower, you children can put on your play shorts over clean panties, okay?



Hello, this is Grandpa! How is everything going?



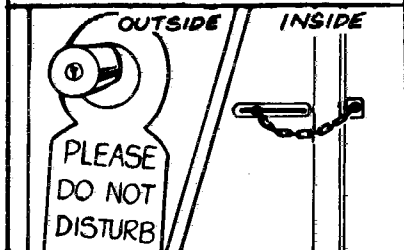
Very well, thank you, Sir! We're getting unpacked, washed, and settled in!



Oh good!--Mama and I already took our shower. Please make sure you all shower as well, and afterwards get some rest!



And I suggest that you keep your "DO NOT DISTURB" sign on the outside of your door at all times!--And keep the door bolted and with the chain lock.



Also, I think it's a good idea if we keep our room keys on the table near the door! Then we'll always remember to take them with us when we leave the room!



Lord, we consecrate these rooms to You! Please protect and keep us while we stay in them, and cleanse and sanctify them of any evil spirits! In Jesus' name!



Amen!



Meanwhile--

Boy! It will feel so good to take a shower!

When you're in a hotel, never touch the water tap yourself! The water is often scalding hot!

Oh my! Look at that!

SIZZLE!

DAVID! WAIT!

Stand back, and let's see!

The Lord protected you! But many little children suffer serious burns from water that is far too hot!

You see, at home we keep our hot water heater at a low temperature so that it's not hot, only warm, so the water at home won't burn you when you touch it! But in public places you must never touch the hot water taps on your own!

Yes, Sir! Oh my!

The shower stall looks pretty clean.

But it would be cleaner and safer if you wear your flip-flops in the shower, okay?

Yes, Ma'am!

Later--

Now you're all fresh and cool and clean! And I bet you're ready for a little play time!

The children can wear shorts and thongs now while they play a bit, then they can sleep naked on the clean hotel sheets.

Would you mind switching the fan off, please, Sweetheart?

It's better not to have the fan on when we're still wet after a shower! We might catch cold!

Thank you, Dear!

You're welcome!

KNOCK!  
KNOCK!

I wonder who it is?

Here's a security rule, David!

Children should never open the door to someone who knocks! Always let the adult you are with do that!

KNOCK!

Oh! Yes, Sir! Good idea!

Hello!  
Who is it?

It's  
"Uncle" J!

Grandpa taught us to first ask who is there! Then to open the door a few inches, with the little chain lock still on, to make sure!

Hi there, James!  
Come in!

Hello,  
Uncle James!

Whoops!  
Don't hug me  
yet, Honey!

Grandpa  
wanted me to  
let you know  
that there is  
a Fire Escape  
right next to  
our bedroom!

Come!  
I'll show you!

I'm not all clean and  
washed up like you are!  
I've still got my dirty  
travel clothes on!

The door opens  
this way!

When you are staying in a hotel, you  
should always know exactly where the  
Fire Escape is, and the fastest way  
to get to it in case of emergency!

Grandpa sure  
thinks of  
everything,  
God bless him!

Why are you  
hanging that  
plastic bag out  
of the corner  
of that drawer,  
Mommy?

Oh, that's a special  
bag for any written  
notes, labels, or  
selah trash, because  
we don't want to  
leave anything  
identifying like  
that behind in  
the hotel room!  
We can take it with  
us in our suitcase  
when we go!

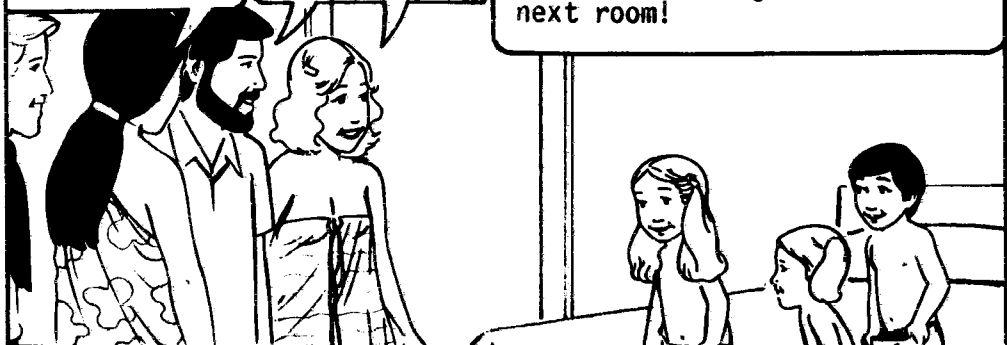
James, would you like  
to join us for a short  
devotions and prayer,  
before we take our nap?

Thank you!  
That would  
be nice!

Haven't the children been so good and quiet?

Yes, God bless them! We love you, children!

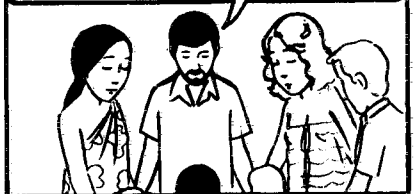
This is one way to "love thy neighbour", even in a hotel room!--By being quiet for the sake of the neighbours in the next room!



Jesus, we want to thank You for every part of this miraculous trip! Thank You for protecting our security, our health, and our luggage! Thank You that not even one piece was opened!

Lord, please bless this country for Grandpa's sake, so that he can live and work here safely!

Help us to behave so that the people and the government will be thankful for us, and proud to have us here!



Please bless our devotions now, Jesus, and then give us all a good nap and sweet dreams! In Jesus' name!

Amen! Thank You, Jesus!



# OUR TRAVELS — Part SEVEN

## GOING OUT!



After our nap, Uncle James came to our room with an exciting announcement!

Grandpa and Mommy have invited us all to dinner this evening! We'll be eating together in the restaurant downstairs!

Eating out! Oh, that will be fun!

Mommy, can I wear the new dress that I packed in my suitcase?

Well, Honey, that would be nice, but I suggest that we wear the same clothes that we travelled in! They've been airing out for a few hours now!

Good idea! It will save us dirtying up any clean clothes!

I'll make sure all our passports and valuables are hidden and locked up safely in a suitcase under the bed!

We sure eat dinner early in the East!! My watch says it's only two in the afternoon!

Oh, David, that's because we have travelled to a completely different part of the World, where even the time has changed! You can now set your watch to 8 o'clock pm!

I'll volunteer to stay and guard the luggage while you're gone! I'll also be able to hear if anyone tries to enter into Grandpa's room next door!

Jesus, please bless James for His sacrifice! Please keep both him and our luggage safely while we're gone!

God bless you, James! We'll be sure to bring back some food for you from the restaurant!

In Jesus' name, amen!

We should be back in about an hour-and-a-half! I'll phone you from the restaurant to make sure everything's okay here.

Hello, Grandpa and Mommy!

Hello again, children! My! You all look so neat and tidy and rested!

I love you, Uncle James!

It was very good that you took such a long nap after such a tiring journey!

So, off we go to the restaurant!

Grandpa, I think we passed the elevator!

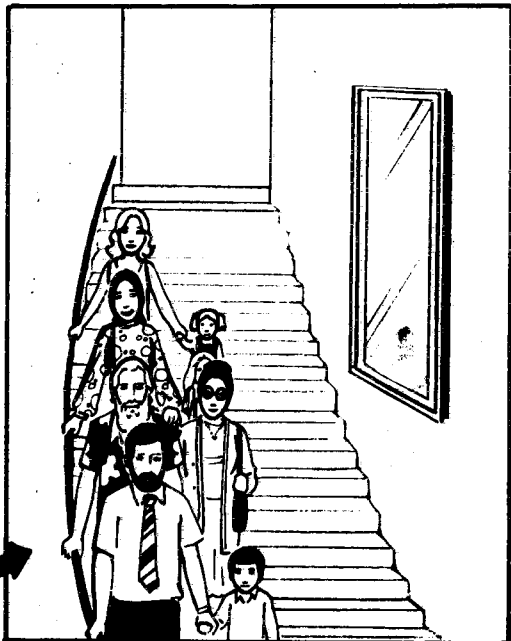
Well, David, this time we don't have any luggage to carry, so we can take the stairs! If you have a choice, remember that stairways are always much safer than elevators and also provide us with lots of good exercise!

Mommy, you can hold on to my left shoulder, while I hold on to the rail!

Thank you!

Techi, I'll hold on tight to the rail with one hand, and hold your hand with the other!

Yes, Ma'am!



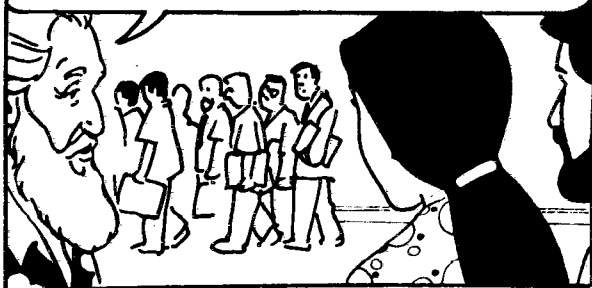
Stand back, everybody, and let all these businessmen go by!

CONVENTION HALL

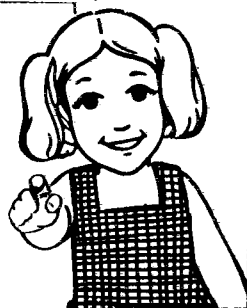


Try not to go into big crowds of people--unless you need to for witnessing! There's hardly anything worse than a big crowd of people for catching germs!

If you ever see people who are coughing, or sickly looking, or have bad spirits, try to keep away from them!



Look, Grandpa!  
Birdies!



What beautiful  
tropical birds!



Are they parrots?

SQUAWWK!



Did he nip you, Honey?

No,  
Grandpa!

Thank the Lord!  
--But it prob-  
ably gave you a  
little scare,  
and I hope  
it'll teach  
you a lesson!

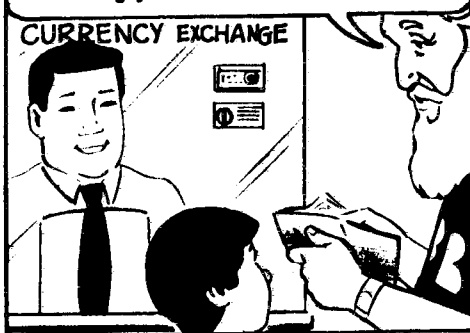
Here's an important rule,  
children! Never poke your finger  
in a cage, or touch, or get too  
close to strange creatures!

They may be carrying  
disease, and they  
could peck or bite  
and hurt you!

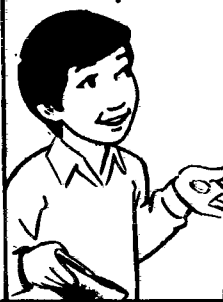


Do you know the type of  
money that they use in this  
country, David?

CURRENCY EXCHANGE



Is it this  
kind of money,  
Grandpa?



No, those are  
Francs!--That's  
the currency of  
France, where we  
came from! Let  
me change your  
money for you!



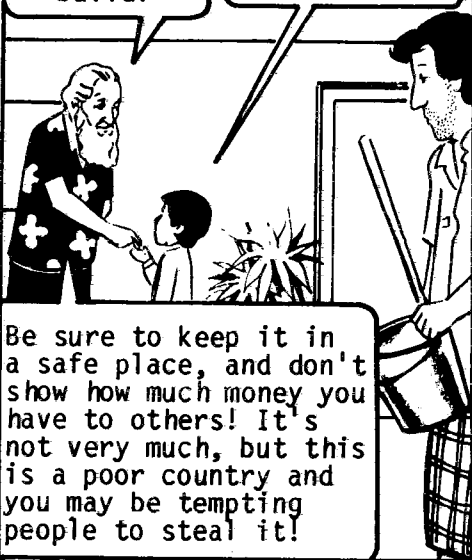
I'm glad to see that you carry your money in your pocket, Son!

When you carry your money in your hand it shows you're a little boy! But when you carry it in your pocket in a change purse, it shows you're a big boy!



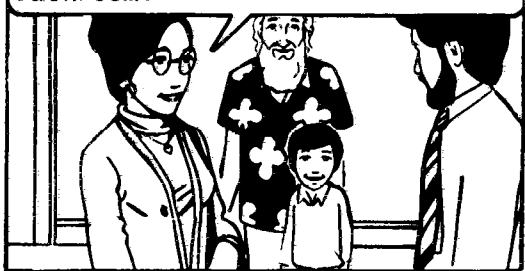
Here's your money, David!

Thank you, Grandpa!

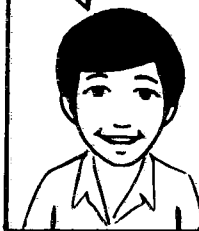


Be sure to keep it in a safe place, and don't show how much money you have to others! It's not very much, but this is a poor country and you may be tempting people to steal it!

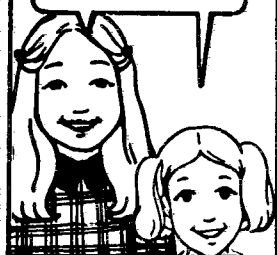
Well, after touching the cages and the dirty money and the handrails, I suggest that we all wash our hands with soap in the bathroom!



I need to go tee-tee!



Me too!



Alf and Sara, you can take the children first!

Yes, Sir!  
We'll be right back!



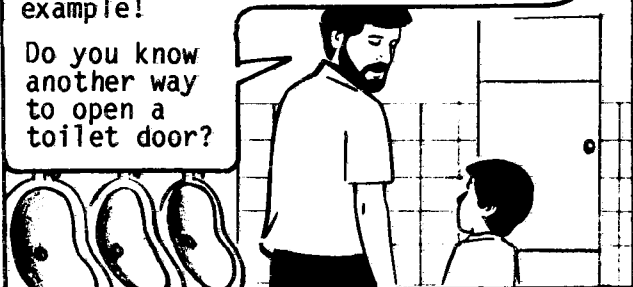
# IN THE MEN'S ROOM

Notice how I'm opening this public door with my elbow and not my hands!



When you go out, there are certain things you should try not to touch, like toilet door handles, bus door handles and dirty railings, for example!

Do you know another way to open a toilet door?



With your back?



Then you can lift up the toilet seat with your foot!

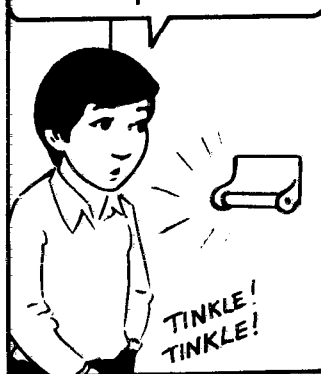
Like this!



Don't touch anything in a public toilet if possible! And certainly wash your hands right away if you do!



Uh-oh! There are no tissues to blot our penies!



That's why you should always carry your own tissues in your pocket, like I do. Here you are!



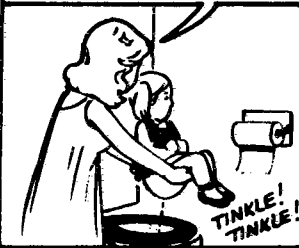
Shall I flush it, now that we're both finished?



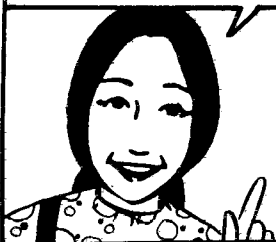
You can also do it with your foot, like this!



Because children and grown-ups should never touch or sit directly on public toilet seats! They are very unclean!



If you children must go to the toilet when you're out, always ask an adult to hold you so that you don't actually touch the toilet!



## IN THE LADIES' ROOM

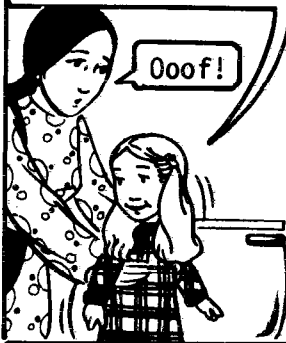
I'll hold you up, Tech!, so that you won't have to touch the dirty toilet seat at all!

But why, Aunt Dora?

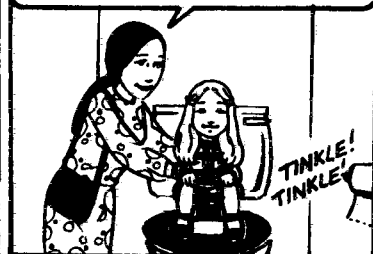


I think I'm too heavy to lift up!

Ooof!



Well, big girl, you can stand on the two sides of the toilet with your shoes! Then I'll hold you around the waist while you squat down and tinkle!



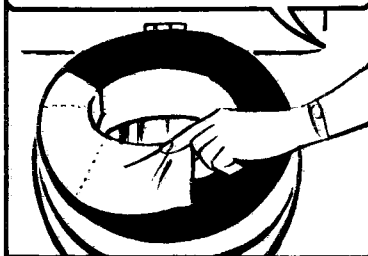
Who is going to hold you up, Mommy?

See, I always just squat over the public toilet!

Here, you can wipe with this tissue that I brought in my purse!



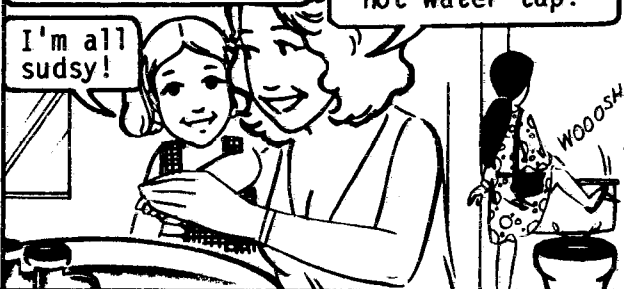
But if I'd have to sit on it, I'd first put toilet paper all around on the seat like this!



I'll wash your hands for you, Tech! I brought our own little soap in a plastic bag in my purse! Remember not to touch anything!

--Especially the hot water tap!

I'm all sudsy!



Uh-oh! The door doesn't swing now! We'll have to turn the knob!

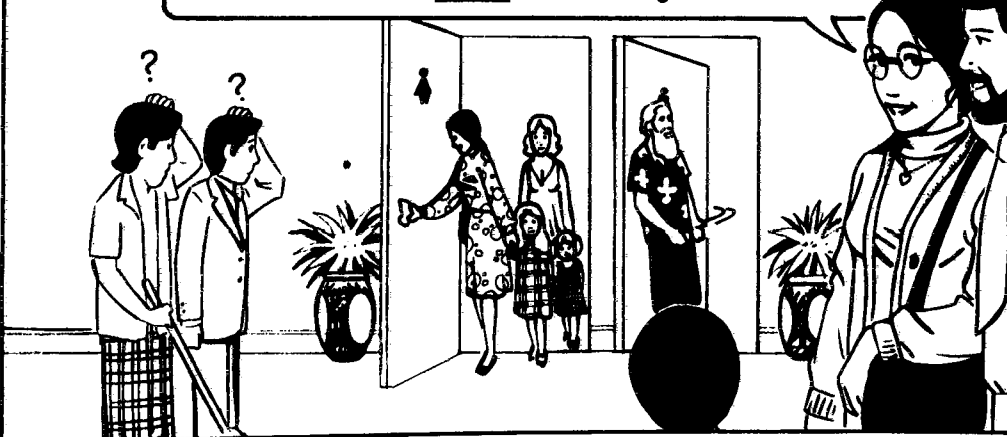


Don't worry! I'll wrap a tissue around the knob!

Here we go, girls!



People may think that we're crazy, but it's better to be a clean freak and stay free from diseases than a dirty one and get sick!



# OUR TRAVELS – Part Eight

## AT THE RESTAURANT!

There are a couple of nice tables in the corner! We can all sit together there!

Good evening, Sir!



I'll have the spaghetti and meat sauce. What about you, Dear?



Yes, that sounds nice!

Spaghetti would be good for the children too!

To go with the spaghetti I would recommend the "Chef's Salad"!



No, thank you! Just the spaghetti will be fine!

I didn't order the salad because in poor countries you have to be very careful about what you eat!



Yes, I'd stay away from eating raw vegetables at all, unless they're washed very well first and prepared very carefully at home!



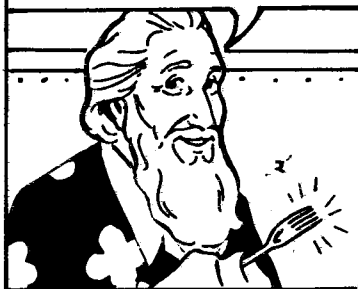
In fact, you should never eat raw leafy vegetables in poor countries, either in restaurants or at home! Many worms and bugs like them too and hide in their leaves, so eating them can make you sick!



So it's always much safer to eat cooked vegetables, especially in restaurants, because cooking kills all the germs!



It's a good thing to wipe your silverware with a clean napkin before you eat! There! --All clean!



Davida, Sweetie! Please don't rub your cheek on the cushions!



The cushions on public seats are very dirty, and you should never touch them with your hands or face!



Your spaghetti, Sir!

Thank you! Please could you tell me if the water in this restaurant is clean and safe for foreigners to drink?



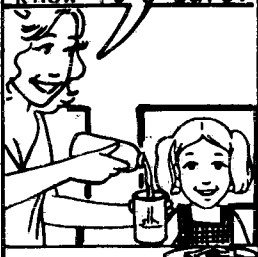
Yes! Er, I think so!

He didn't seem too sure! Actually, we should be very hesitant and prayerful about drinking any water in these Third World countries! At home it should be boiled or purified, and in most restaurants it's better not

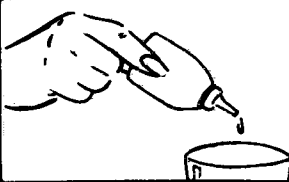


to drink their water at all. Perhaps you can drink boiled tea instead.

Thank the Lord we can use the water that we girls brought in our purses to rinse our mouths. We know it's safe!



Even if the restaurant water is supposed to be safe to drink, it's a good idea to carry a tiny bottle of bleach with you and add one drop to a glass of water. Stir and let it stand for four to five minutes before drinking.

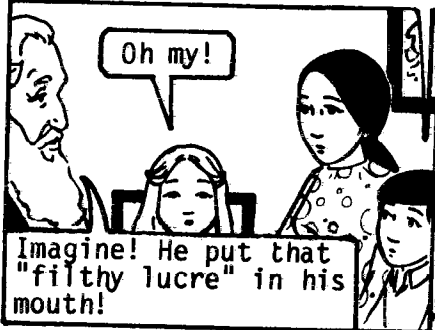




Here is another important health rule for when you go out! Be sure never to eat any food from sidewalk vendors! It could be very bad for you and cause you to get sick.



Grandpa! Did you see what the waiter did?



Imagine! He put that "filthy lucre" in his mouth!

Never ever put any money in your mouth! It is always filthy! And always try to wash your hands after you've had to touch money!



When we go out, I take a bottle of cheap cologne in my pocket for washing hands often.



Good boy! All you adults should carry your pocket cologne or disinfectant solution out with you too! I'm a "clean freak" and I want all the Family to learn to keep clean too!



It's better to stay clean and healthy than to have to be healed!

David, may we all use your cologne to wash our hands before eating? We've just pulled our chairs up to the table and we've handled the dirty menu.



So is everybody happy? Are your hands all clean, and are we ready to thank the Lord for the food?



Thank You for this food, Lord, and for this time of sweet fellowship together!

Please bless and purify every bite we eat, and every drop we drink!  
In Jesus' name!



After dinner--

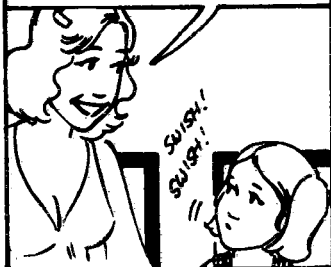
Mmmmm! Yummy!  
That was nice!

Yes! Thank the Lord!  
It was delicious!



May I please have some of your water too, to rinse my mouth now?

That's it, Tech! Swish it hard between your teeth several times!



We'd better order something for James now, to take back to him in the room! He must be really hungry!

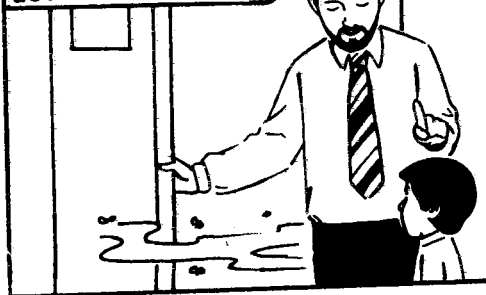


I'll call him from the hotel lobby, and see what he'd like!

May I go with you to the phone please, Uncle Alf?



If you have to use a public telephone booth, open the door and let it air out a bit, before you step inside! Lord bless and keep us!



You never know who has been in it before you, and what kind of germs they might have had!

Do you think I could dial the number all by myself?

Okay, buddy! Just try not to get your mouth too close to the receiver, as it can carry all sorts of germs! You can use my pen to help you dial!

We'll be sure to wash hands real well after we use this dirty public phone!

Our room number is 21! That's it, David! Good for you!

Well, it's been a long journey! Maybe it would be best if you and Dora returned to the room a bit early to get the children to bed!

Before you all leave, let's check the table area on top and underneath to make sure we've left nothing behind!

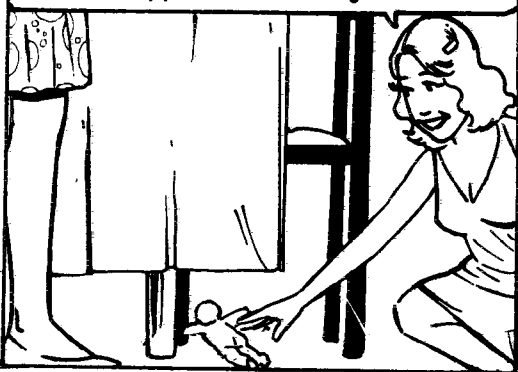
Yes, Sir! That would be good!

Here come the boys!

James is fine and sends his love!

We got him a take-away pizza!

Whoops! It's a good thing we checked under the table! Tech dropped her dolly!



As it's been on the floor, I'll use this tissue to pick it up!

Thank the Lord we only brought washable toys with us! I'll wrap it up in my purse and wash it later!

Thank you, Grandpa and Mommy, for a nice dinner!

We're so thankful to be in the safer South!



--And East! Aren't the Oriental people beautiful and colourful? They make most Northerners look kind of pale and washed out, huh?

Aren't you thankful that the Lord brought us to live among these precious, sweet, humble people of these Eastern lands?

Oh, yes, Grandpa!

Goodnight, Mommy!

Goodnight, Grandpa!

Goodnight, sweet children!

On your way out, children, as you pass those men at the bar, please be sure to smile and be real sweet to them!

They're the men from the Convention Hall we saw earlier!

They look really sad!

They're lonely businessmen who don't have a family and children to be with while they're travelling on business!



Hello!

Have a good evening!



God bless you!

Hello there!

Hi!

Hello!

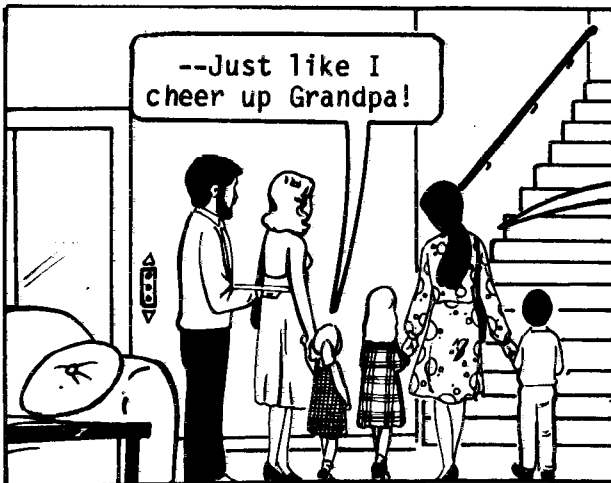


We can be a witness wherever we go!



Yes! You really cheered them up! Did you know that you children have an important ministry of loving and cheering up adults?

--Just like I cheer up Grandpa!

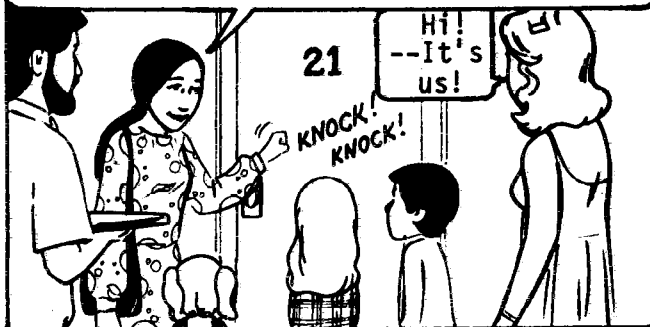


Yes, Tech! It's very important for children to be sweet to adults! You can often touch adults' hearts much more than other adults can, and it means so very much to them! God bless you, children! You're all such a blessing and encouragement to us big people! We love you!

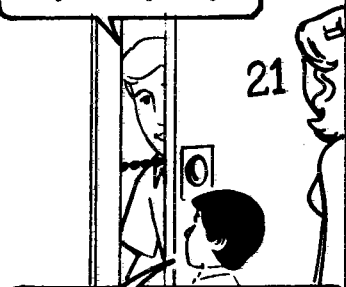
# OUR TRAVELS — Part Nine

## TO BED YOU GO!

So, as Grandpa's Daddy used to say,  
"Shadrach, Meshach, and To-bed-you-go!"



Hi, everybody!



We've brought your  
pizza!

Thank you for staying back, James!  
You must be hungry!



How does a nice bath  
sound before bed?

Oh, goodie!

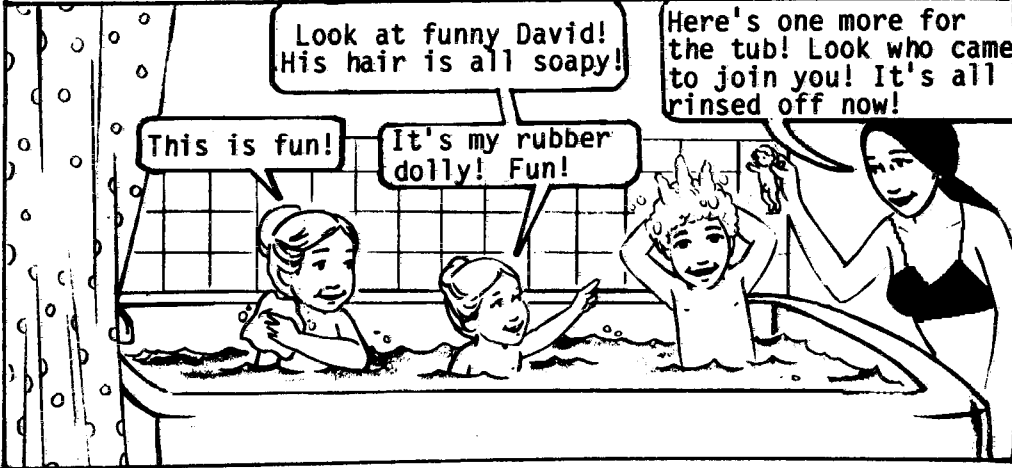


Look at funny David!  
His hair is all soapy!

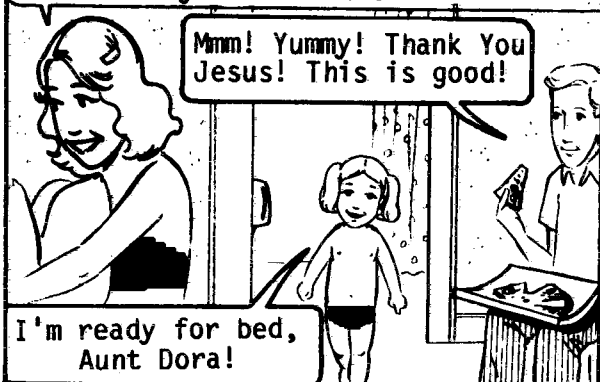
This is fun!

It's my rubber  
dolly! Fun!

Here's one more for  
the tub! Look who came  
to join you! It's all  
rinsed off now!



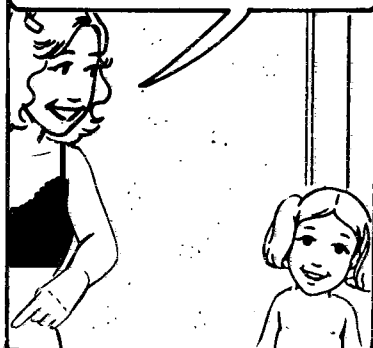
The children won't need these big thick pillows. They'll sleep more comfortably without them!



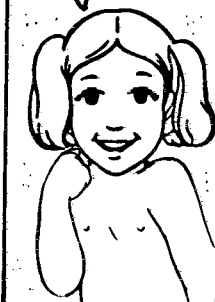
I'll put a protective pad under Tech's sheet, in case of any wetting accidents!



Good, Honey! You and I can sleep together in this bed tonight!



Oh goodie! I'll like that because I'm a little cuddlebug!



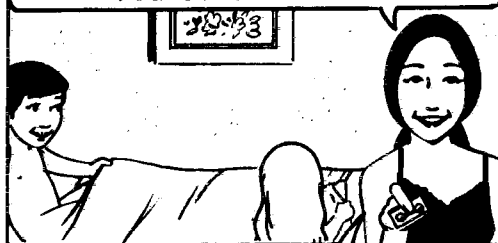
Whew! What a big day! What was your favourite part of our travels?

I liked visiting the pilot's cockpit on the plane!



And I liked playing with new toys and sleeping on the plane!

Jesus is so good to us! I'm so thankful we all arrived safely in our new mission field! Praise the Lord!



Now I'll put on our tape of lullaby songs while you three get settled into bed!

Girls, let's put our thongs neatly on the floor at the bottom of the bed.



Now it's time to rub our feet a few times on the end of the bed, so we don't bring any dust or dirt from our feet into bed with us!

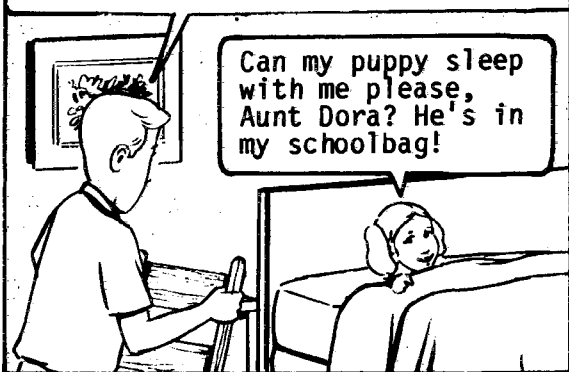


I'll keep my flashlight by my bed, in case the electricity and lights go off!



That does happen some times, David! You're a good handyman to think of that!

I'll put this chair next to Tech's bed to make sure she doesn't fall out!



Can my puppy sleep with me please, Aunt Dora? He's in my schoolbag!

Yes, puppy is nice and clean because we stored him away inside a plastic bag!



May I read my Daily Might before I sleep please, Auntie Sara?



It's good that you want to read the Word before bed, David!

But the lighting in this hotel is too dim! So it's best not to ruin your eyes by reading in weak light! What do you think?



All right! I'm pretty tired now anyway!

Do you all know where the bathroom is, in case you need to go potty in the night?



Yes, Ma'am!

We'll leave the bathroom light on as a nightlight!



I've checked that the shutters are locked! But the windows are open to let in the night air!

Good! Grandpa says it's best not to sleep in a hot, stuffy room!

You all look so cute in your beds! Which one of you sweet pioneer gypsies would like to pray?



I WOULD!



David, maybe you would like to lead us tonight!

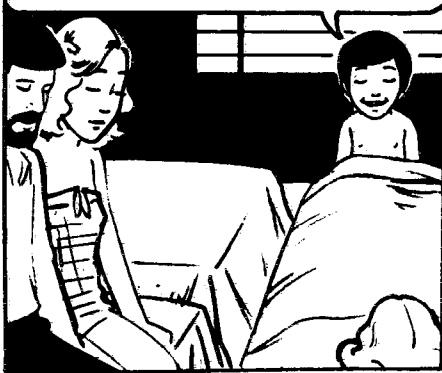


Dear Jesus, thank You so much that we can go to bed nice and early after such a long overnight flight!

You said, "Powerful are they which watch over thy father David and his children!"



--So thank You for Your policeman angels who are camped about us to protect us while we sleep! And please give us sweet dreams of You!



In Jesus' name, amen!



# OUR TRAVELS — Part Ten

## A NEW DAY!

Good morning, children! It's a beautiful new day in a new land!

Praise the Lord!  
Good morning,  
Auntie Sara!

Jesus, please keep us all  
close to You today, as we  
start our new life in this  
exciting new field!

Amen!

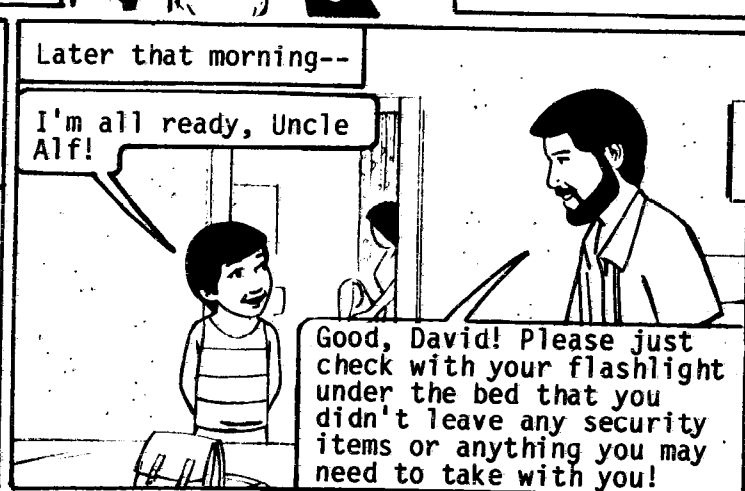
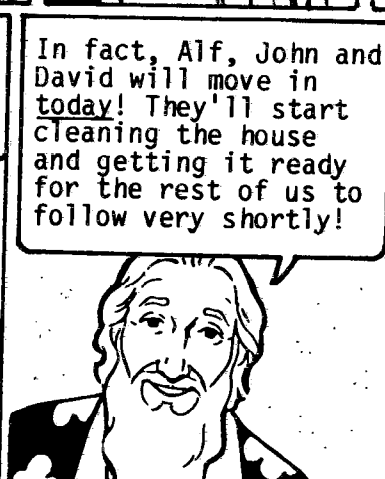
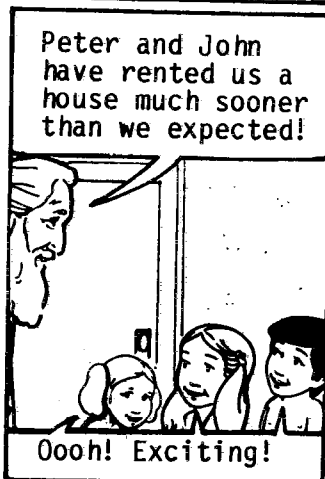
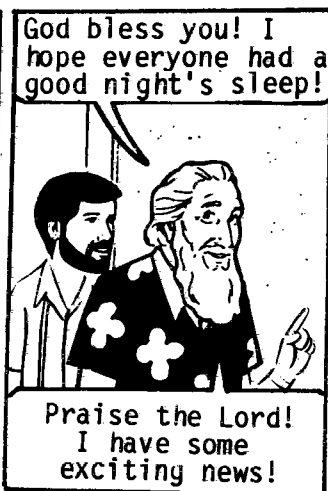
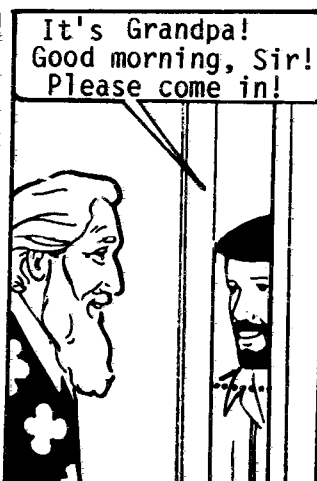
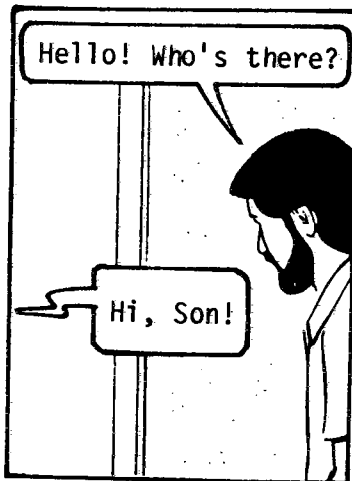
Rise and shine! Are you  
ready to get up and get  
dressed? Then we can have  
a good devotions together  
after breakfast!

Yes, Ma'am!

But first let's tidy up the  
room!—Davida, would you like to  
help me pull back the sheets, so  
we can air the beds?

Yes,  
Mommy!

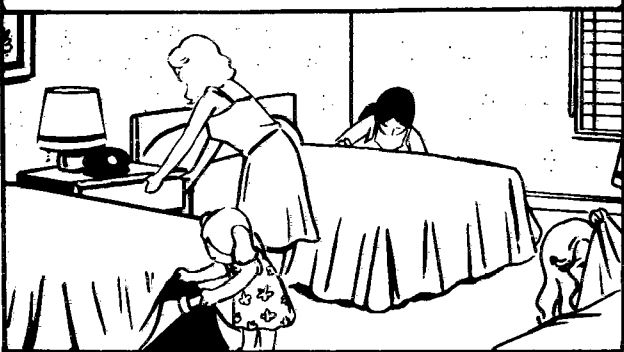
KNOCK!  
KNOCK!



Please, when you all leave, be sure to give the room a thorough security check!

We'll try our best!

You should open and pull out all the drawers! Check the bathroom, the closets, under the bed! Check all around for any Family literature or selah trash that has been left behind!



Can Techi and I help clean the new house too, Mommy?

Oh, yes! Don't worry! There will be lots of work for us all to do when we get there!

God bless you, children, for your cheerfulness and willingness to be happy helpers!

We'd better go now! John is waiting for us in the lobby!

Jesus, thank You so much for our new house! Please bless Alf and David and John and keep them safely as they travel to our new home & begin their work!

Please help them to do a good job, and make the house all nice and safe and clean, ready for Grandpa and Mommy and all of us to move in! In Jesus' name, amen!

Amen!



And so Alf and I  
left the hotel!



We had a nice stay!  
Thank you very much!



And off we drove  
to our new house!  
Praise the Lord!  
Thank You Jesus!

We met up with John, and I waved  
goodbye to some of the men we saw  
in the bar the night before!

Good morning,  
John!

Hi, Alf! I have a  
taxi ready outside!

Bye-bye!

Bye!



There it is!  
Our new heavenly home!



And so ended the story of "Our Travels" from the  
West to the East! We hope that the many lessons  
we learned will be a big help and blessing to you  
in your travels and wherever you go! God bless  
and keep you as you keep on travelling for Jesus,  
as "pilgrims and strangers" until He comes!  
Praise the Lord! WE LOVE YOU!

# THE HANDYMAN! - PART 1

## OUR NEW HOUSE!

Hello, children! Did we ever tell you what happened when we moved to our new house? It was so exciting! Like Grandpa says,

"One thing we can be sure of in our life is constant change!"

Precious Saviour, be our Guide!

Wherever we go we know that Jesus is always with us. No matter if everything else changes, and we have to leave everything else behind, we still have the Lord!

Aren't changes good for us?--They help us not to get bored, they teach us lots of lessons, and they keep us close to the Lord!

Grandpa taught us that before we move into a new house, a team should go in advance to clean it and to pray for and cleanse the place of any evil influences before the rest of the Family arrives!



So, Uncle Alf, Uncle John and I were the "new brooms" team chosen by Grandpa! Our mission was to "possess the land" and to sanctify and dedicate our new house to the Lord, and then to clean it up.

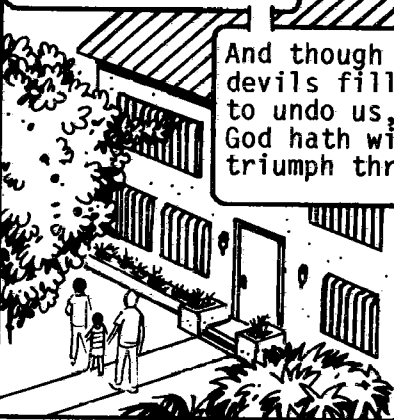


Alf, should we do a Jericho March around the house first, and then pray over every room?



Yes, that's good. But let's remember to do it quietly. We should sing our prayers and songs softly so we don't disturb the neighbours.

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing--



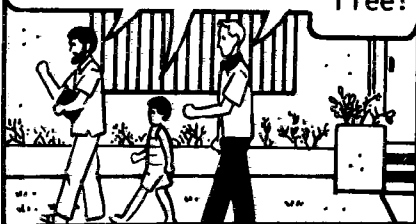
And though this World with devils filled, should threaten to undo us, we will not fear for God hath willed His Truth to triumph through us!

Joshua fought the battle of Jericho, Jericho!--

Let's leave!

Yeah, fast!

In the name of Jesus, in the name of Jesus, we have the victory! In the name of Jesus, in the name of Jesus, Satan will have to flee!



We command any devils or bad spirits to leave this property, in the name of Jesus!--And be gone far from here where you can't bother any of us or our family!

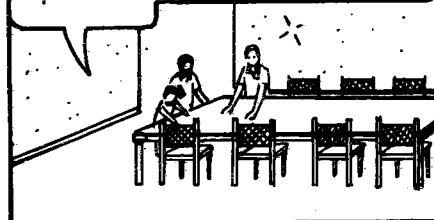


You said, Lord, that You would send an angel before us to keep us in the way and to bring us into the place which You have prepared.  
(Exo.23:20)



The angels are Thy policemen! So we pray for Your police protection over the whole house! Be with us as we go from room to room!

Lord Jesus, deliver this room of anything that may not be of Thee, and fill it with Thy peace and Thy Spirit!



Cleanse everything in this room, every chair, every table, every piece of equipment, in Jesus' name!



Lord, sanctify this kitchen and make it a great blessing for our family!

Grandpa says that this is one of the most dangerous parts of the house, so we ask for extra special protection and for a very watchful angel to keep us from harm as we live and work here.

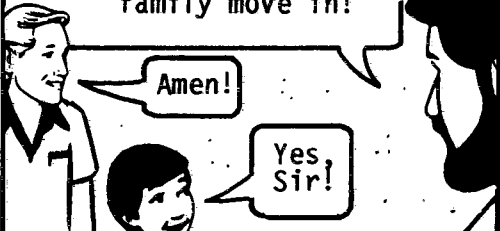


Jesus, by the authority of Your Word and in Your name, we order the Enemy and all of his little demons to be gone from Grandpa and Mommy's bedroom. We order them to be bound in the stones deep under the Earth!



Sometime later--

Praise the Lord! Now that the Lord has spiritually cleansed the house, we need to do a good scrubbing and cleaning job before Grandpa and the family move in!



The next day--



I checked all of the electrical outlets and lights, and all of the plumbing, and everything is working fine! Praise the Lord! Now let's spray to kill all bugs and germs!

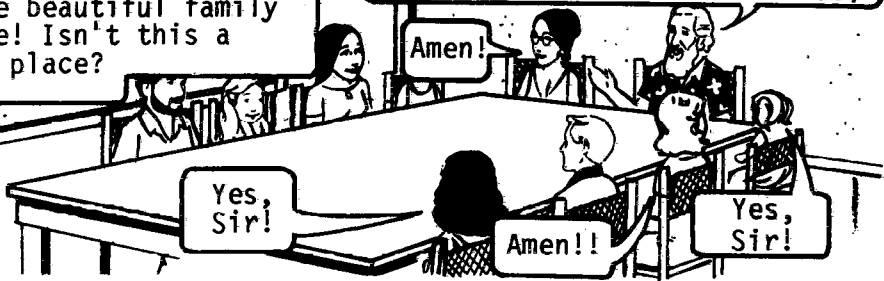
Uncle John, Grandpa and everyone else will be moving in here tonight! That will be exciting!

That evening--

I feel like I'm living in Heaven on Earth already with the beautiful places God gives us to live in and the beautiful family we have! Isn't this a lovely place?

Thank You, Jesus! The Lord said that He would always take care of us. However, He hasn't always promised us a house; He said, "Having food and clothing, let us be therewith content."

(1Tim.6:8)



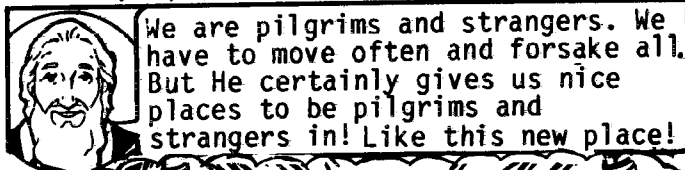
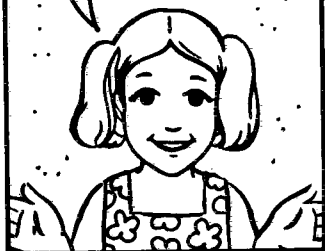
Yet Jesus is good to us and has also given us very comfortable homes, abundantly above all that we could ask or think! (Eph.3:20)

He has promised to give us back a hundred times more of everything we forsake! Can you imagine having a hundred houses? Well, I think I've lived in more than that!

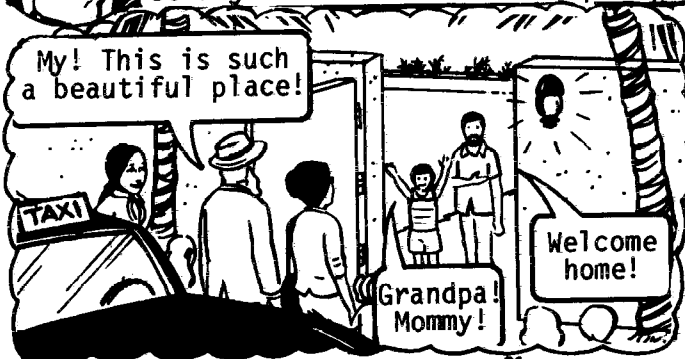


Grandpa, we've lived in so many houses! We had a beautiful one in Tenerife! We've lived in Spain and Portugal and Switzerland and South Africa. We even lived on the farm in France, and now we've come East! And now the Lord has blessed us with a nice new house here too!

We had to leave our old friends and our toys behind, but Jesus always gives us much, much more!



Well, now that we're in our new house, let's read Solomon's dedication of the Temple in 1Kings, Chapter 8!



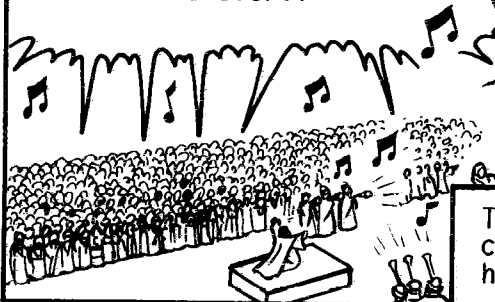
"And Solomon kneeled down and spread forth his hands toward Heaven and said:

Let Thine eyes be open toward this house night and day. Hearken unto the prayer which Thy servant prayeth toward this place!



And the trumpeters and the singers made one sound, saying:

Praise the Lord, for He is good; for His mercy endureth forever!!



Then the house was filled with a cloud: for the glory of the Lord had filled the house of God."

Of course, we know that the Lord's house is our body. We are the temple of the Holy Ghost! (1Cor.3:16)

But since we are living in this house and the Holy Spirit lives in us, then this house becomes a temple too! We fill it up with the loving Spirit of God!



It says in His Word:  
"And My people shall  
dwell in a peaceable  
habitation, and in  
sure dwellings and  
in quiet  
resting  
places."  
(Isa.32:18)

There's something about the  
House of the Blessed, the Camp  
of the saints, that God really  
protects.



His angels are camped  
round about us, guarding  
us day and night!



That's  
right!



Thank You, Jesus! We  
just don't know how to  
thank You enough! We  
know that we are in  
Your hands, and this  
house is in Your  
hands. So we pray,  
Lord, that You will  
bless it! We dedicate  
it to You for Your  
glory! Help us to  
live in peace and  
accomplish Your Work  
as long as we are in  
this house. In Jesus'  
name, amen!

Praise the Lord! As I  
always say, it takes a lot  
of loving--and living--to  
make a house a home! So  
we'll have lots of jobs  
to do around the house  
starting tomorrow!

Now to close,  
let's sing my  
favourite  
house-warming  
song!



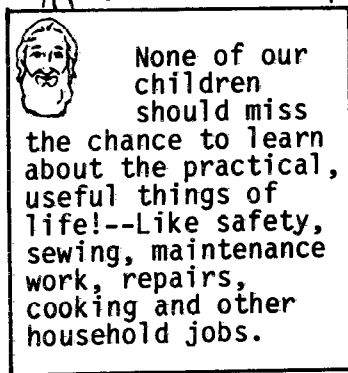
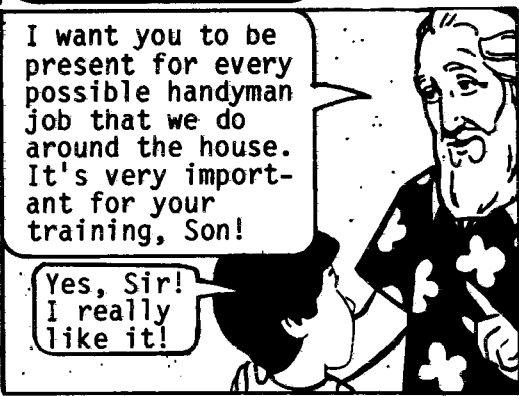
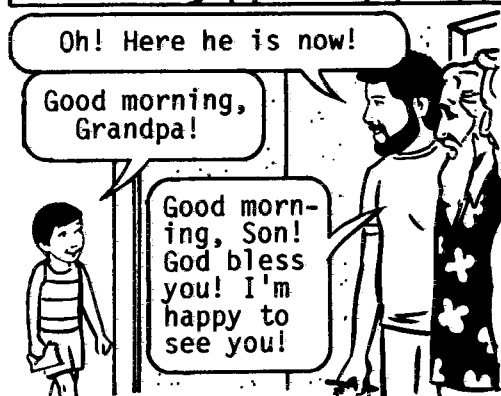
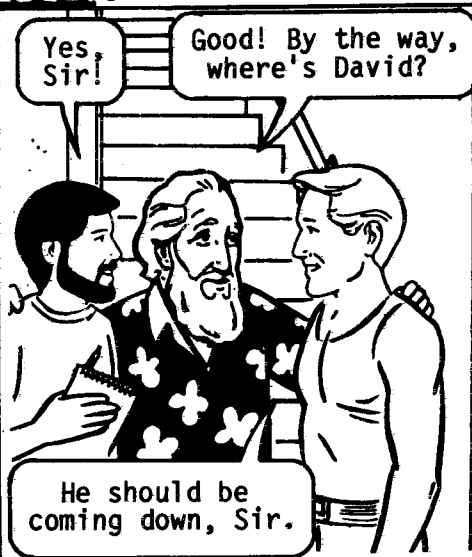
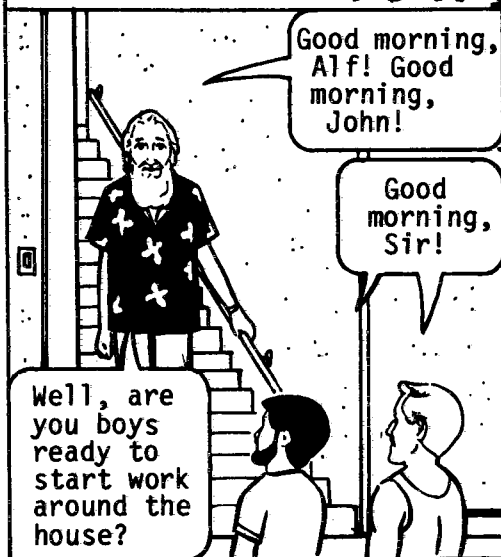
**B**less this house, O Lord, we pray,  
Make it safe by night and day.  
Bless these walls, so firm and stout,  
Keeping want and trouble out !

**B**less the roof and windows all,  
Let Thy Peace be over all !  
Bless these doors that they may be  
Ever open, Lord, to Thee !

**B**less these windows shining bright,  
Letting in Your heavenly light.  
Bless the fan a'blowin' there,  
Cool air flowing like a prayer !

**B**less us, Lord, who dwell herein,  
Keep us pure and free from sin.  
Bless us all that we may be  
Fit, O Lord, to dwell with Thee !

# "WHATSOEVER THY HAND FINDETH TO DO"-- DO IT NOW!



To be a handyman is one of the most important practical things you can learn!

Our house in a way is like a ship and I am the Captain overseeing it.

Are all the ropes tight?

Aye, aye, Captain!

I like to keep a sharp eye on my vessel and make sure that everything is shipshape!

Now, before we begin any kind of handyman work, shall we have a word of prayer and ask the Lord to protect us?

Alf, you and David need to patch the mainsails! They're a bit torn!

John, make sure the boards on the lower deck are all nailed down well!

Aye, aye, Sir!

At once, Captain!

Amen!

Yes Sir!

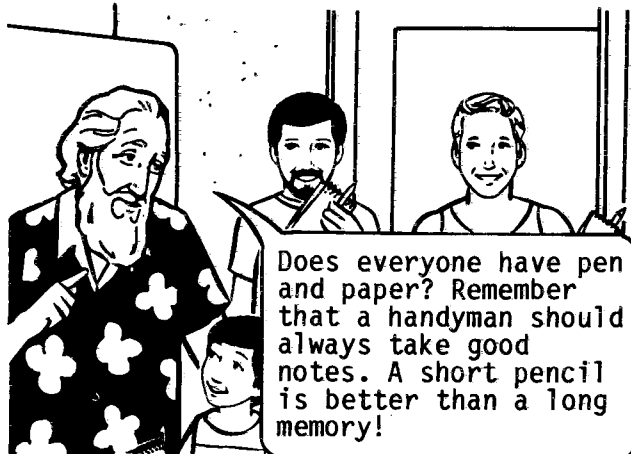
The Lord likes to know that we are looking to Him and trusting in Him, and not in our own strength!

David, would you like to pray?

Dear Jesus, please help us to learn lots of good practical lessons from Grandpa. We ask You to guide us and keep us from any harm. Make us useful tools in Your hand. In Jesus' name, amen!

Yes, Sir!

Amen!



Does everyone have pen and paper? Remember that a handyman should always take good notes. A short pencil is better than a long memory!



How about if we start in the kitchen?

Yes Sir!



David, do you notice anything missing on the kitchen floor?



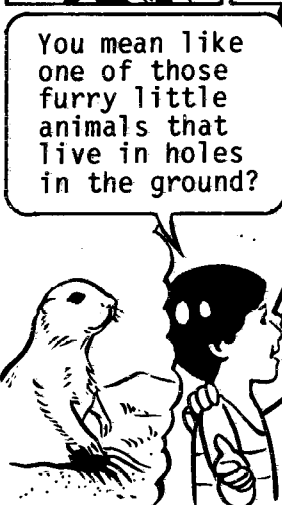
Hmmmm! Oh yes, Grandpa! We need to make a "danger line"!

--To separate the cooking area from the rest of the kitchen so the little children will know which part they are not allowed in!

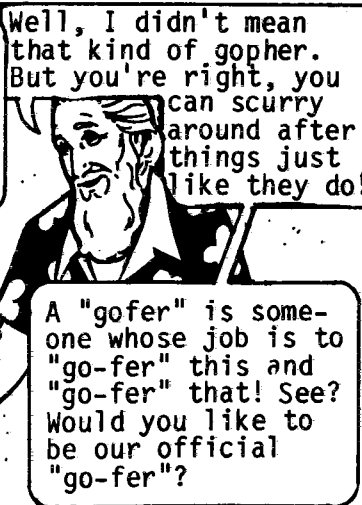


Right! I think we will need some of that bright red tape that we have in the garage. Son, would you like to be our "gofer"?

!?



You mean like one of those furry little animals that live in holes in the ground?



Well, I didn't mean that kind of gopher. But you're right, you can scurry around after things just like they do!

A "gofer" is someone whose job is to "go-fer" this and "go-fer" that! See? Would you like to be our official "go-fer"?



Oh, yes! I'll "go-fer" the tape right now, Grandpa!

Good, Son! Thank you!

Hello, Dad! Lunch will be ready in about an hour!

God bless you, Gem!

John, would you open that screened window, please? Whenever you're cooking with a gas stove, be sure to have good ventilation!

Yes, Sir!

We can install an exhaust fan soon, okay?

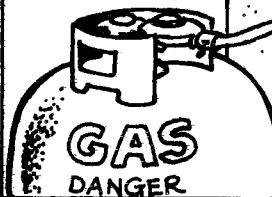
Remember, gas is dangerous, and if there was a leak it could make you very sick or the gas could even explode!

From time to time it's also good for the adults to check the gas hose which connects the gas bottle to the stove.

Make sure that it's in good condition and that it doesn't have any holes where the gas might leak out.

This one is all right! Thank the Lord!

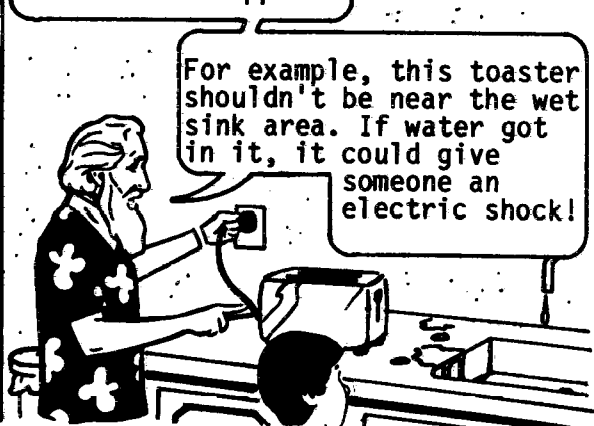
Most house fires start in the kitchen from some kind of cooking or gas leak or cooking oil catching fire.

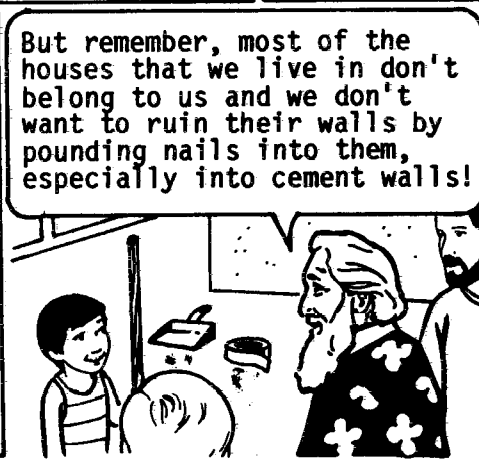
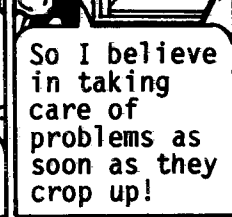
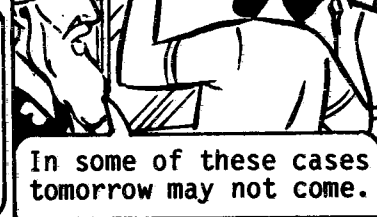
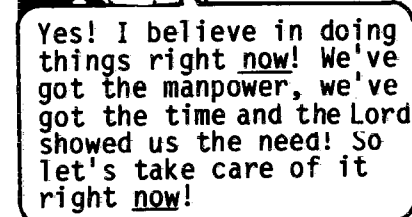
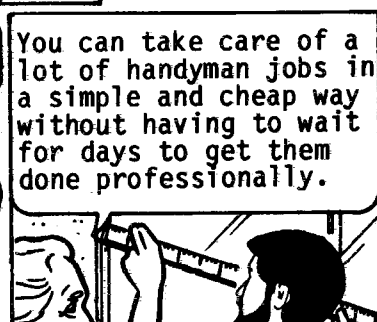
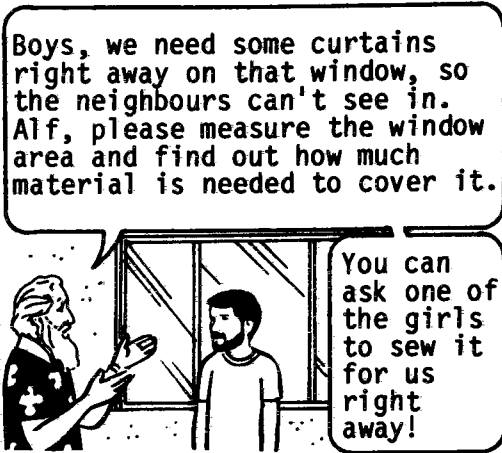
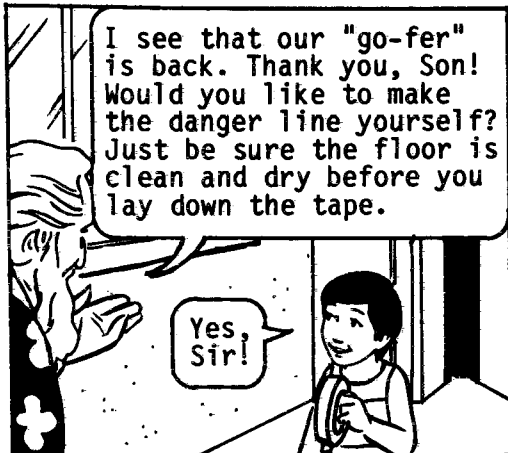


So it's important that if you ever smell smoke or some unfamiliar smell, find out immediately what it is before it causes a fire!

That's the job of a good handyman--he stops accidents before they have a chance to happen.

For example, this toaster shouldn't be near the wet sink area. If water got in it, it could give someone an electric shock!





Hammering a nail into a cement wall is a very tricky job. If you don't know how to do it you can mess up the entire wall.

Amen!  
Yes,  
Sir!



Well, back to our curtains:  
You can put a nail in each top corner of the wooden frame.

I'll ask  
Sara to sew  
this.

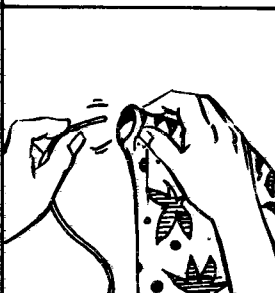


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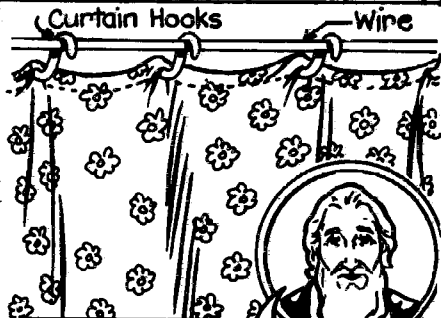


Then, when the material is sewn, you can run some wire through the open hem, all the way through.

Once the wire is through the hem, you wrap the ends neatly and securely around the nails.



That's a good simple way of doing it.



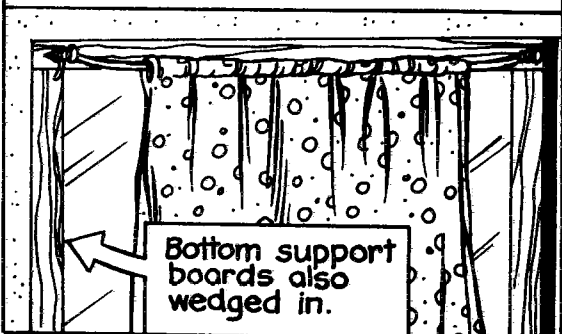
Another method is to put curtain hooks on the back of the top hem of the curtain and then hang it on the wire.

This time we're making our curtain rod out of wire because it's a small, light curtain.

Another way of doing it without putting nails into the wall is by wedging a board tightly into the window frame and then attaching all the fixtures to the board.



But for heavier curtains you will need a sturdier rod which you will have to attach to the wall.



Bottom support boards also wedged in.

John, don't forget to wear your glasses. They'll protect you from things which might fall into your eyes when you're looking up.



Oh yes, I forgot.

Here's some juice for you hard workers.



God bless our dear cook, Gem! You work so hard to keep us all healthy!

Amen!

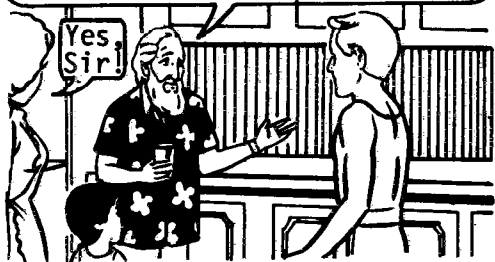


Honey, it looks like you need a rack to hang all of these utensils on. Would that come in handy?



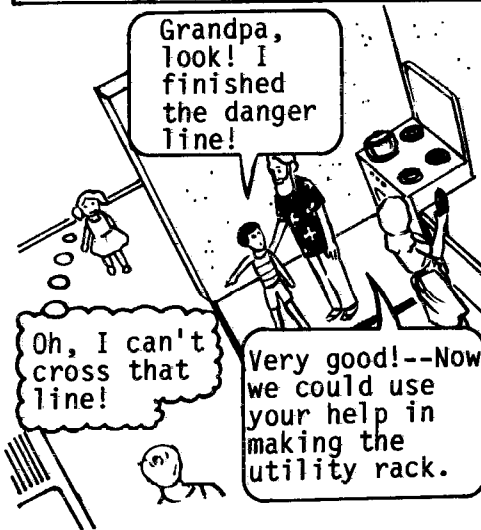
Oh, yes, Sir! Thank you!

All right, boys. Let's build a utility rack for Gem! First of all, we need a long piece of wood. A 1-by-2 would do!-- And some L-hooks! Gem, please bring all the utensils you want to hang on it!



Yes, Sir!

Grandpa, look! I finished the danger line!



Oh, I can't cross that line!

Very good!--Now we could use your help in making the utility rack.

David, lay out all of the utensils along the board so you can see where to put the hooks. Make sure they're far enough apart so they won't be rubbing against each other, okay?



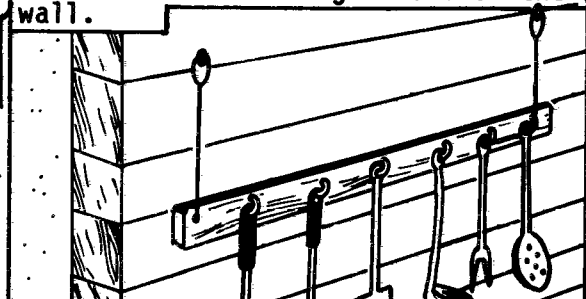
Okay! Yes, Sir!

Now make a mark where you'll want each hook!

Yes, good!

Tap the hooks in place with the hammer, then screw them in!

To mount the board, you can nail it in place. Or another way to do it is by securing wires to your utensil holder and then attaching the wires to nails or something secure on the wall.



Another simple way to do it, if you have a solid frame, maybe in a cupboard, for example, is to wedge a board between the two walls and it will hold firmly without having to use nails.



Where would it be easiest for you to reach, Gem?

Well, the best place would be on the wall between the cupboards!



There! It's on solid!



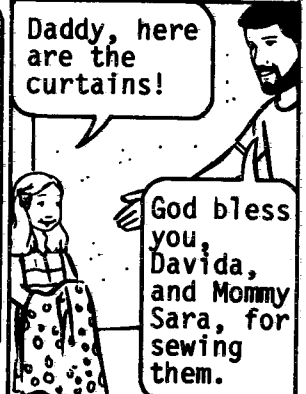
Thank you! It's so handy!

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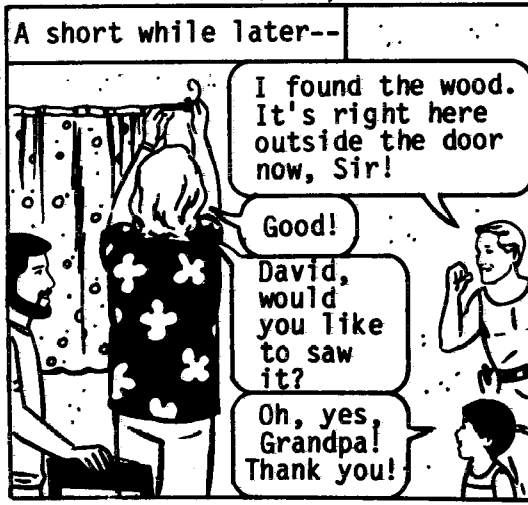
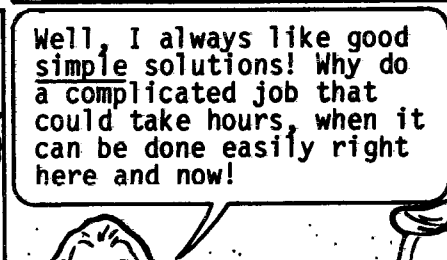
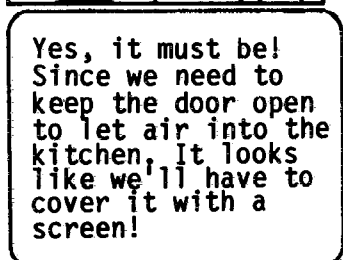
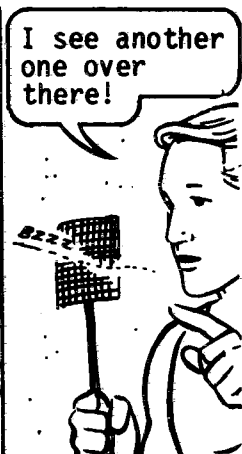


It's a pleasure, Honey! I like each new Home to be a loving Home! And part of that is making it more practical and comfortable by little improvements like this! I love you!

Daddy, here are the curtains!



God bless you, Davida, and Mommy Sara, for sewing them.



First of all, it's very important to work safely and with safety always in mind. Alf, you hold that end down securely!



Son, use your foot instead of your hand to hold the board, okay?

Draw the saw toward you several times to make a good groove!



Make sure that when you saw now, that you saw on the downstroke!



You're doing great! Keep going, Son!



Soon--

Here are the two boards, Grandpa!

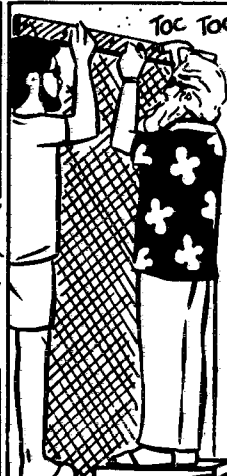


Very good! Now John, could you please bring me the screen that you cut?

First you wrap the end of the screen around the bottom piece of wood, and nail it on.



Bending the end of the nail will help hold it.



Then you wrap it around the top end and nail it up. And as soon as we can, let's get a sturdy step-stool for these jobs. It's safer!

The bottom just hangs. It acts as a weight so the screen will not fly open when the wind blows!

Wasn't that a quick way to make a screen?



You see?

Now we have a screen! The sides will hang freely so people can go in and out! Praise the Lord!

It's really nice, Grandpa!

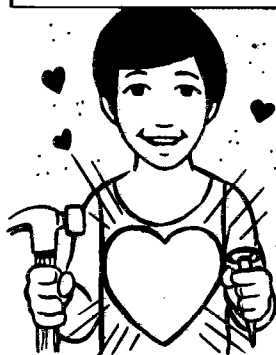
Thank you! And God bless you for your help, Son. You're a good worker!--Just what a handyman needs to be! Even if you can't do some of the more difficult jobs now, you can learn by watching! It takes a lot of loving to make a house a home!



That's really what a handyman needs most of all: Love!

He always thinks of how he can make the house safer and more comfortable for others!

Lunch is ready now!



There, Aunt Sue! We put a board under your mattress so you'll sleep better.

Thank you so much, boys!



Praise the Lord! I'm really hungry!

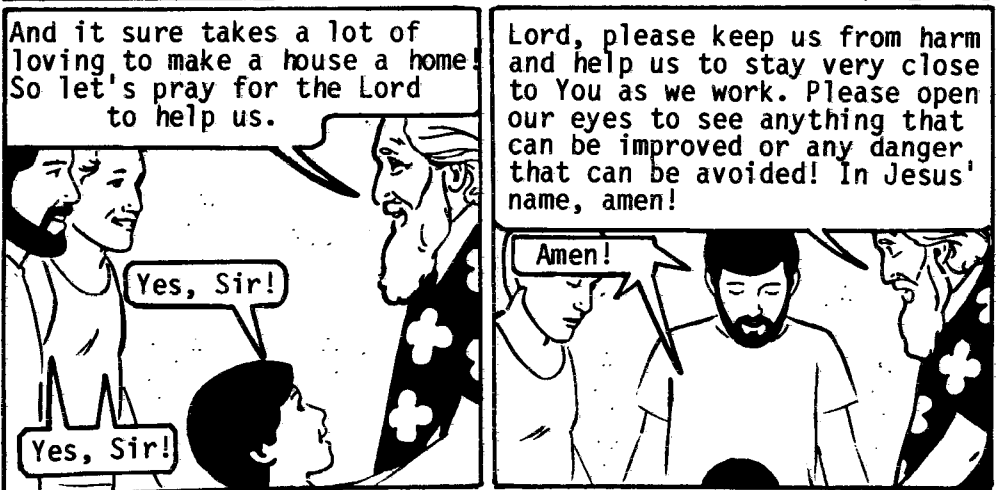
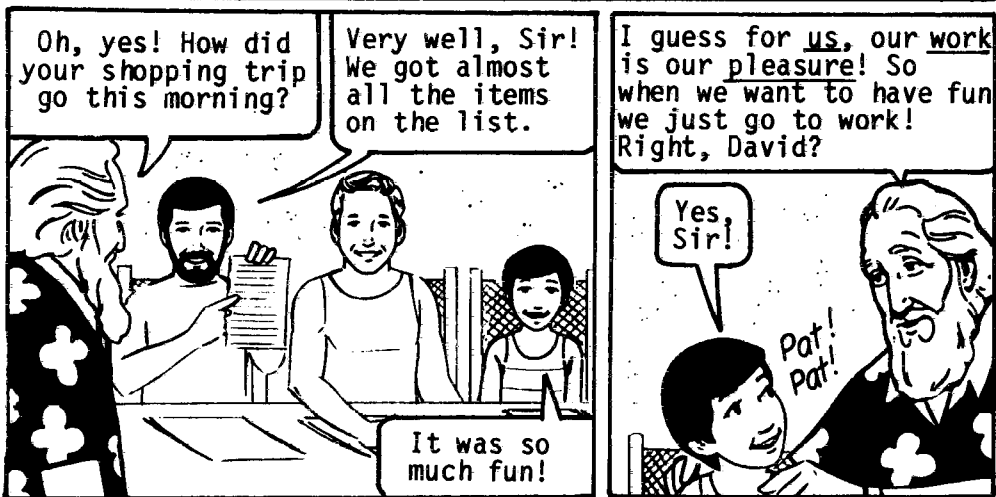


Yes, I am too! But first let's clean up after ourselves and wash up before we go on to anything else.

A good handyman never leaves anything dangerous lying around where children or others might get hurt by it! So please clean up after yourselves and store your tools neatly, okay? God bless you! We love you!



# MAKING A HOUSE A HOME!



Don't you all feel a little hot in here?

Yes, it is a bit stuffy!

I think we need some air!

Why don't you open those windows, John? As long as we get plenty of air and breeze, we'll be perfectly comfortable.

Air is really our salvation in hot weather. So let it flow through the house!

Sir, I found out why the windows weren't open:

There's a hole in the screen.

Do we have some more screen?

We tried to buy some this morning but the store was out of stock.

All we have is a couple of tiny scraps in the garage!

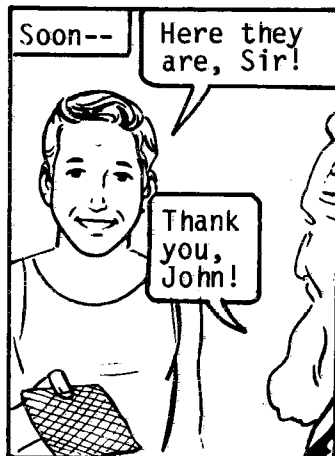
Well, I have an idea! We can patch up the hole and it will work just as well!

John, all we need is a piece of screen slightly larger than the hole, and some thin metal wire or thick thread.--Even fishing line will do.

Yes, Sir! I'll go get it!

David, you go outside and stand on the other side of the screen.

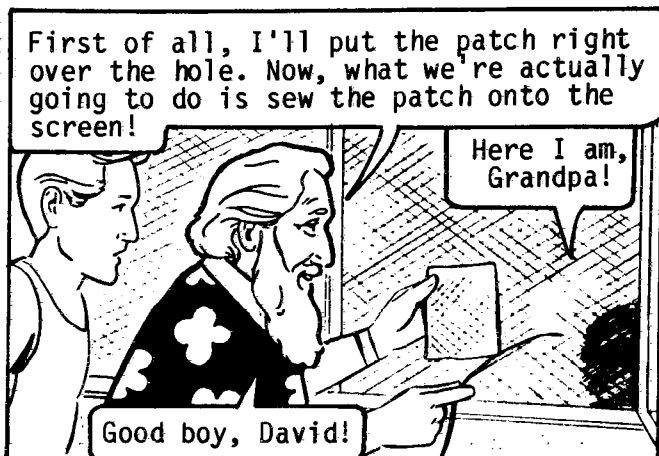
Right away, Grandpa!



Soon--

Here they are, Sir!

Thank you, John!



First of all, I'll put the patch right over the hole. Now, what we're actually going to do is sew the patch onto the screen!

Here I am, Grandpa!

Good boy, David!

I'll thread the wire through both of the screens to you, and you grab it, David!



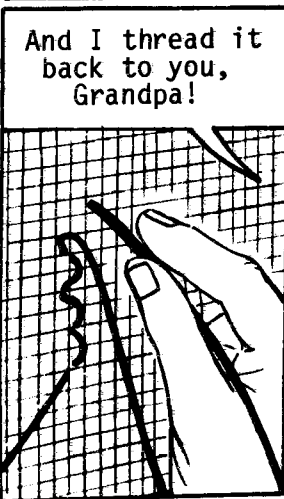
I've got it, Grandpa!



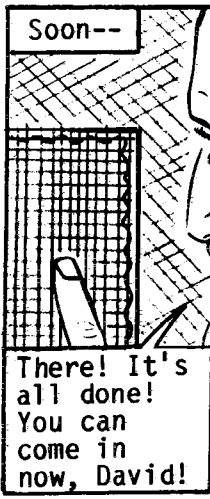
Now you thread it back to me.

Good!

Now I pass it to you!



And I thread it back to you, Grandpa!



Soon--

There! It's all done! You can come in now, David!



That should keep all the insects out, shouldn't it, Grandpa?

David! Watch out!

Oh dear, I spilled some water on the table. I'll go get a cloth to wipe it up!

We have such a nice polished dining room table. It'd be good if we could find some kind of pad to protect it from stains and scratches!

We have some of that very thin spongy foam material that we used for packing during our move! I think we have a piece big enough to cover the table!

Good, that is just what we need.

Yes, Sir!

Ahhh! Thank the Lord we have some of these wicker chairs. They're the best for warm climates. You can sit on them and still get plenty of air and breeze.

Uh-oh!

SCRAPE!

And Alf, next time you go shopping, please try to get a plastic tablecloth. We can put it over the pad for double protection.

Oh, one thing we have to be careful of though, is that we don't scratch the floor with them. Let's wrap some masking tape around the bottom of the legs.

Here's a roll of tape, Sir!

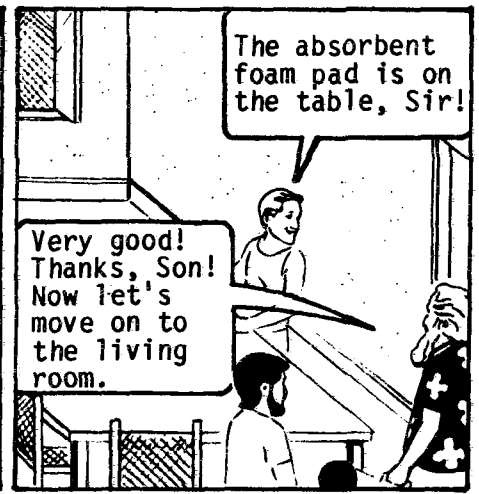
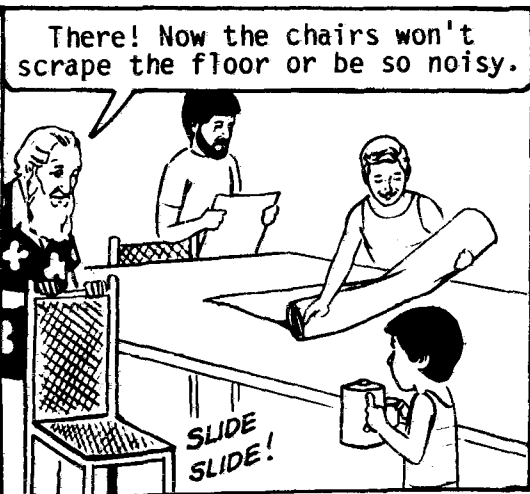
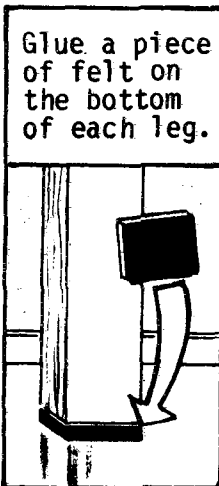
Do you have another one for David?

Yes, Sir!

All right, let's go to work on these chairs!

Yes, Sir!

SQUEAK!



What is the first thing you notice when you enter this room?

CLICK!

There's not enough light!

Right!

It's very important for your eyes to have proper lighting while you are--

Reading,

Working,

Watching a video,

Or even playing.

John, would you please replace these light bulbs for brighter ones?

Yes, Sir! I'll go get our new step-ladder to do it with!

You seldom get too much light!

It's just like Jesus. --You can never get too much of Jesus!

Soon--

The lights are switched off. It's safe to work now!

John, be sure to check how many watts each socket can handle, and never put in a bulb brighter than that!

Yes Sir!

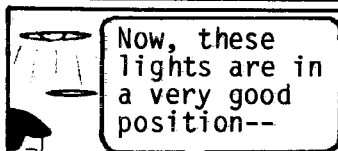
You see, David, the brightness of a light bulb is measured in watts, and it usually tells you inside the lamp or light fixture how bright a light bulb it can handle safely!



What happens if you put a brighter bulb in it?

It can get too hot and may even burn up and explode!

The ceiling lights can take 100-watt bulbs, but this lamp can only take a 60-watt bulb.



Now, these lights are in a very good position--

Because when you are reading or writing, your source of light needs to come from behind you, over your shoulder.

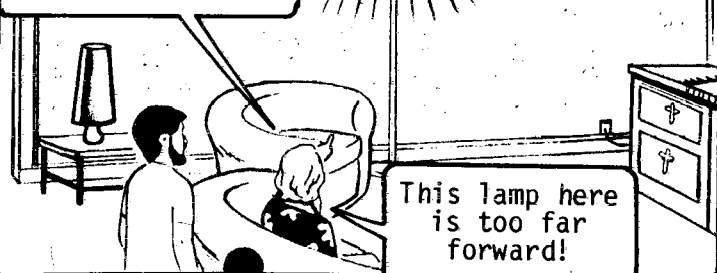
If you are right-handed, the light should come over your left shoulder. That will take away the glare and you won't have the shadow of your hand over your work.



And if you're lefthanded, the light should come over your right shoulder.



But when you're watching videos, you need the light from your extreme right or left side, not from behind, or it will strike directly onto the screen, glaring in your eyes.



This lamp here is too far forward!

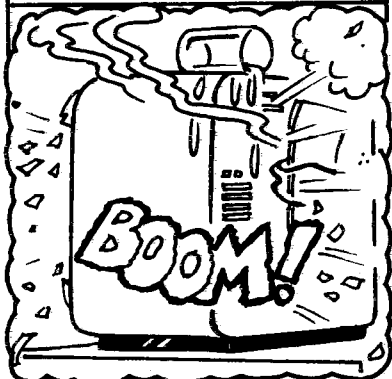
So boys, why don't we move these two lamps? Put one straight to the right and the other straight to the left of the sofa.



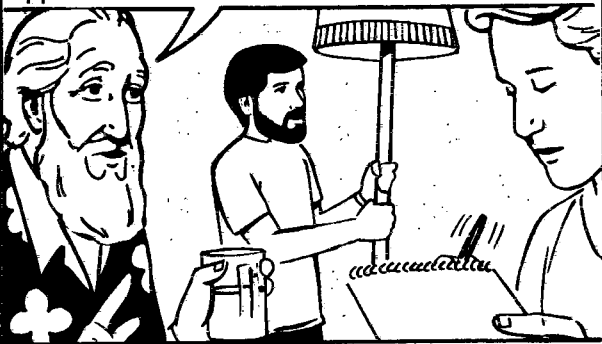
By the way, John, could you please take that glass of water off the TV set?



If it were to spill, it could cause the television to explode!



Please make an announcement to everyone: "Never put a glass of liquid on or near a TV set, a tape recorder, a computer, or any kind of electric appliances."



It's best not to leave anything on top of such equipment as it could cause it to over-heat! We should all be better stewards over the equipment the Lord gives us!



And next time you go shopping, could you please buy some hard plastic cups to replace these glass cups? Plastic cups are much safer because they don't shatter like the glass ones when accidentally dropped!



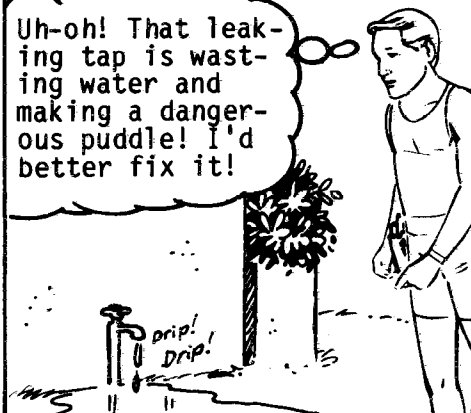
# THE HANDYMAN-PART 4 HOUSE INSPECTION!



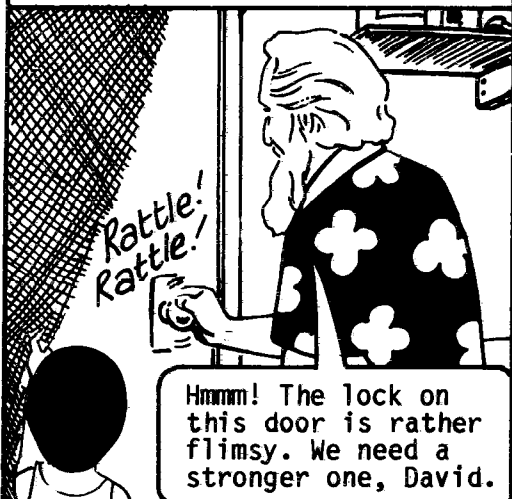
Hello, kids! Isn't it thrilling to be a handyman? Like Grandpa says, good handyman are some of the most important people in the Lord's army!

The handyman is the soldier of the Home, always patrolling the grounds to find places that the Enemy could use to attack or hurt somebody.

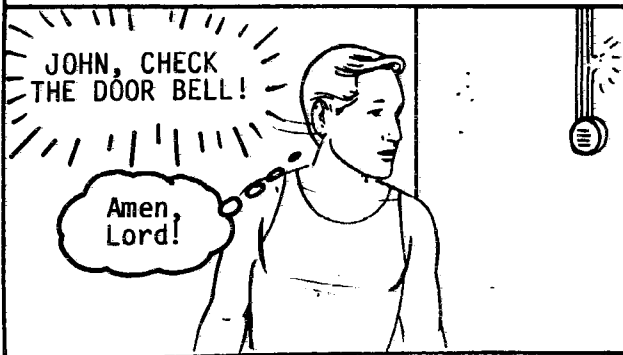
Uh-oh! That leaking tap is wasting water and making a dangerous puddle! I'd better fix it!



The handyman has to constantly stand in the gap and repair the breaches in the wall to keep the Enemy out and protect the Home!



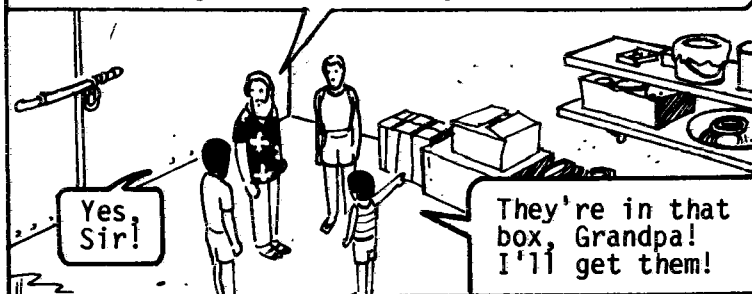
Like any soldier, he stays in close communication with his Commander-in-Chief. He listens to God's checks and obeys them!



And like a good General, Grandpa often likes to

check out his team before going with them on a house inspection. Would you like to join us again? This morning, after a good prayer, we went out to the garage to get the tools we needed for our handyman inspection.

Praise the Lord! Looks like you did a good job on organising our handyman supplies here! God bless you, boys! Well, let's have a safety check! Do you have some work-gloves and protective glasses for everyone?



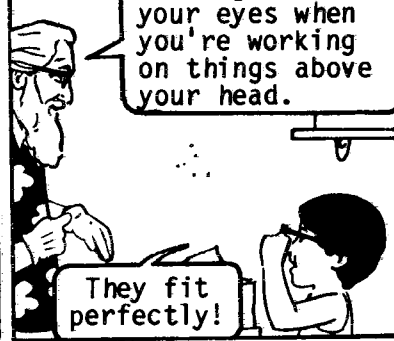
Here are yours, Grandpa!



David, I notice you are already wearing your new handyman tool pouch!



Very good! Now try on your glasses! They'll keep things from falling into your eyes when you're working on things above your head.



And try on your new gloves. They'll protect your hands when you're working.



Now, let's be sure to take off our watches, and any rings or chains. They could be dangerous to wear when we're working!



Don't forget to tuck in your shirt real well. Loose clothing can get caught in a machine or stuck in a dangerous place while you're working.



# LOCKS:

Boys, I was going around the house the first night we were here, and I discovered that some of the doors need better locks!

I put that on the shopping list. Did you get some?

Yes, Sir!  
They're in that small box there!

David, could you please get them for us?

Yes, Sir!

Here they are, Grandpa!

Good! Let's go put them on, shall we?

Yes, Sir!

We should always be very careful about our security so we don't let the Enemy in.

Amen!

The Enemy is always looking for a way to enter our defenses. That is why we need to keep our doors well-locked!

Ahh! It's no use!

Everything is locked up tight!

Let's go elsewhere!

This room needs a lock!

By the way, because this room is cool and dry, it would make a good room for food storage and survival food.

And that reminds me, Alf, we need to do some shopping soon. Maybe you and Gem could write a list of items that we need to stock up on!



One of the first things that you need to do when you move into a new house is:



Start stockpiling survival food and supplies. You don't want to get caught short in case of an emergency!

We'll need to build some shelves for this storeroom, Alf, so please make sure to buy the wood and nails we need when you go on the next shopping trip!



Now, back to the locks!



It's very easy to install a lock. First of all, you decide if you're going to put it on the inside or the outside of the door!



The type of lock you install will depend on this!

On our kitchen door the lock needs to be on the inside of the door, so we can lock it from inside!



John, would you and David like to put on your work glasses now and install the lock on the storage room door?



But on this storage room door, the lock should be on the outside, because we won't be living in there. We'll open it from the outside to get in.

Good! Alf and I will put the one on the kitchen door!

There are different types of locks for different doors.



First, mark with a pencil the place where the lock's screws will go.



Oh, yes! Thanks, Uncle John!



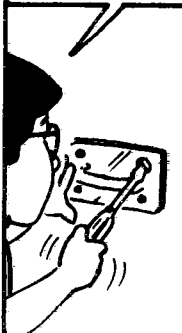
First I'll start the holes for the screws with my drill.



We could use a hammer and a nail if we didn't have a drill! Okay! Now put the screws in!



It's really easy since you started the holes!



Soon--

There! It's all done, Uncle John!



Wall

Door

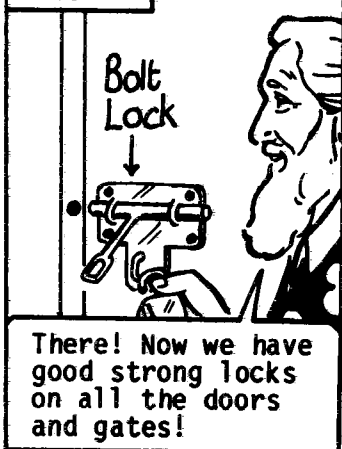


Grandpa, the lock on this door looks real sturdy, too!



Later--

Bolt Lock



# STAIR SAFETY

Now, I think we need to go on to the second floor. Let's check all the rooms and see how everyone is doing!

Hello, Grandpa!

Oh, hello, girls!

We're going to work on a special sewing project with Aunt Dora now!

That's very good. But remember, stairways are very dangerous, so be sure that you go slow and hold on to the railing!

Would you like to learn a few more stair safety tips?

Yes, Grandpa!

You already know that you shouldn't run or play on the stairway, don't you?

Yes, Sir!

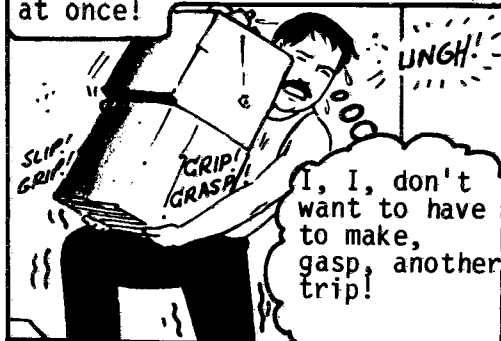
Not only could you fall down the stairs and hurt yourself, but especially some slick wooden or tile stairs could cause you to slip suddenly!

We try to fix that problem by laying down a strip of stick-on sandpaper tape or rubber grid along the edge of every slippery step on the stairway.

Sometimes we've used wide masking tape in the same way to prevent slips or falls. Some masking tape also shows up in the dark a bit so that you can see the step's edge even at night.

SLIP!

And boys, when you're going up or down the stairs, don't carry a "lazy man's load"--too much at once!



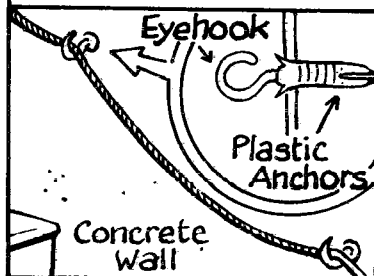
It's better to make two trips and be safe!



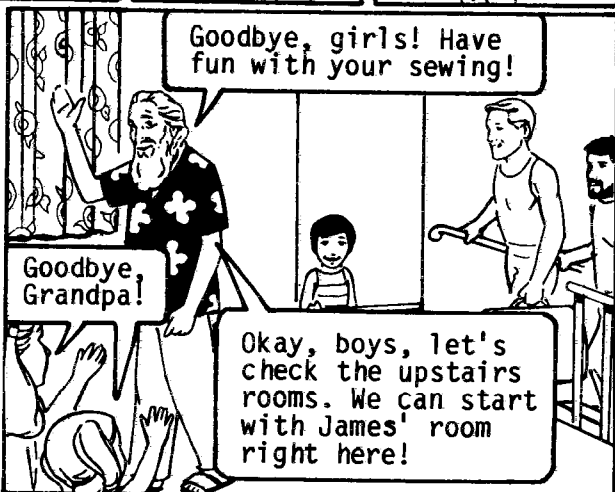
Try to always have one free hand to hold on to the rail!



In a house where the stairway doesn't have a banister or a hand-rail, you can easily make one by attaching a heavy rope along one side of the stairway.



Goodbye, girls! Have fun with your sewing!



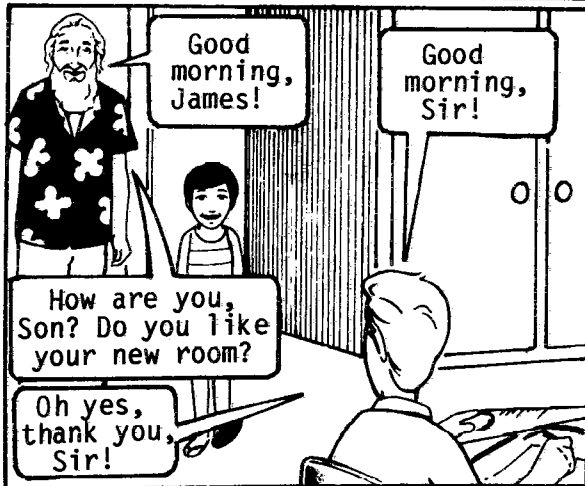
Okay, boys, let's check the upstairs rooms. We can start with James' room right here!

Good morning, Sir!

Good morning, James!

How are you, Son? Do you like your new room?

Oh yes, thank you, Sir!



How is your bed?

It's a nice size, but it does sag a bit in the middle.

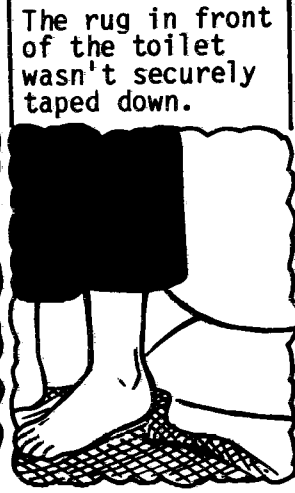
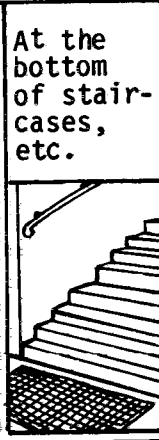
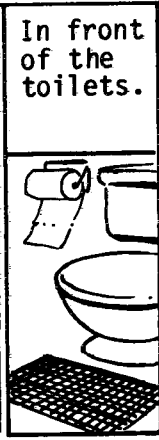
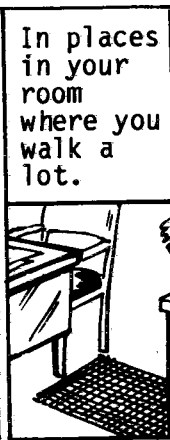
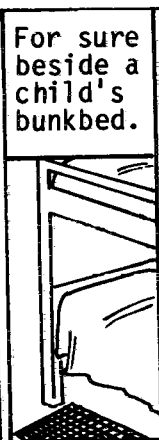
I'll put some plywood under the mattress to support it and make it more firm!



# RUGS:



I always like to have plenty of rugs around the house--



So as I went to sit on the toilet, the rug slipped from under my feet and I fell down! My back hit against the corner of the bathtub!



If it hadn't been for the supernatural protection of the Lord, I could have seriously hurt myself! Thank the Lord I only scratched my back!



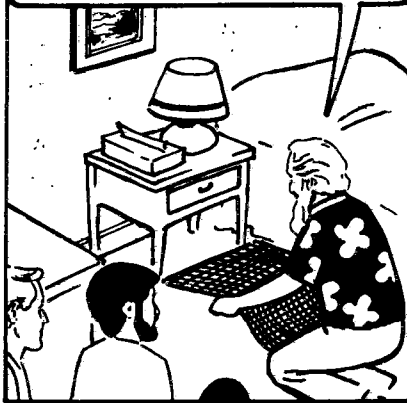
So you must never forget to tape small rugs firmly to the floor.



In most countries you should be able to buy double-stick tape which is sticky on both sides and keeps the rug from sliding around.



Here would be the best place for James' rug.



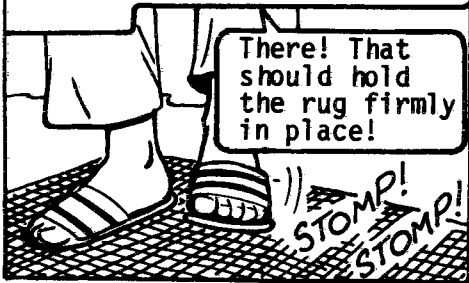
First, wipe all the dust from the floor and from the rug so the tape will hold tightly.



Lay the rug down, fold back half of it, and put the tape on the bottom side of the rug--or on the floor where the rug will be.



Then gently lower it to the floor, and do the other side the same way. Finally, stomp on it with all your weight to make sure that the tape sticks firmly to the rug and the floor.



David, now that you understand how to do it, would you like to be in charge of carpet-laying?



I'd be glad to, Grandpa!

All right, Son! You've got the job!



You may want to go around the house with Uncle Alf and make a list of any small carpets we need to buy.

Then you can lay them down. Okay, Son?



Yes, Sir!



## NEON LIGHTS AND CHAIR AND LADDER SAFETY

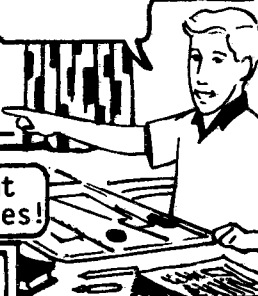
Do you have good lighting on your desk?

Yes, Sir! During the day at least some light comes in through this window!

But I mostly depend on this little lamp! It had a dim bulb, but I put a brighter one in instead!

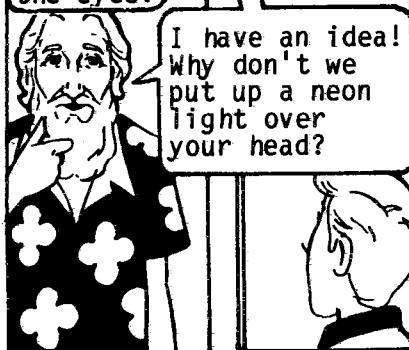


Good! Natural light is best for your eyes!



Good, but I still think that's not enough light for you, James. This desk is used by different people for lots of close-up work that can strain the eyes!

Did you buy some neon lights, Alf?

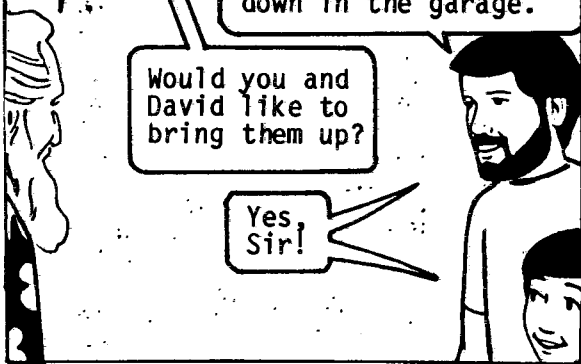


I have an idea! Why don't we put up a neon light over your head?

Yes, Sir! They're down in the garage.

Would you and David like to bring them up?

Yes, Sir!



You can use my chair to stand on to do this job, Sir! It's quite sturdy!

Thank you, Son, but chairs are not very safe. They weren't made to stand on.

Would you please go and get our step-ladder, John?

Okay, Sir!

How would we do this job if we didn't have a step-ladder, Grandpa?

Well, if we had no other choice but to use a chair, here's the safest possible way to stand on one. Watch carefully.

First of all, make sure that someone is always holding the chair firmly for you!

Have the chair facing you. Then grab ahold of the back of the chair.

Lord bless and keep you, Grandpa!

Now, lift one foot onto the seat. The place to step is not in the middle of the seat. Step on the sides where it's stronger.

Now, while you're still holding on firmly, lift the other foot onto the other side of the chair!

Step Here  
Not here

Then you reach up for whatever you need, preferably hanging onto something so you don't totally depend on the chair to hold you.

But it's best to have a step-stool or ladder!

Also, it's a good idea to pick out a safe, clear spot on the floor where you can jump if you lose your balance and fall.

--Like here!

There! That was a little lesson on how to stand on a chair. Now let's get the step-ladder and put up James' neon light, okay?

Okay, Sir!

I'll clear the work area of any objects that could injure us if we were to fall.

James, we should probably put the neon light right up here so the light comes over your shoulder.

Let's move your desk aside, shall we?

You know, if we put a 40-watt fluorescent tube close to you it would be just as bright as that 100-watt bulb!--And use a lot less electricity!

It would also give off a lot less heat!

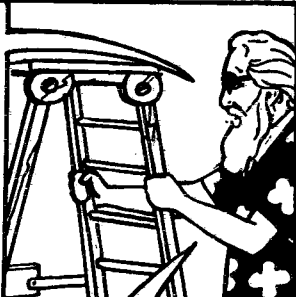
Right!

We have a nice wooden ceiling, so it should hold the neon light very well.

Grandpa, we're back!

Good! Let's put our safety glasses on and get to work then!

It's good this step-ladder is wooden. When working with electricity, it's best not to use a metal ladder or metal chairs. You could get a real shock!

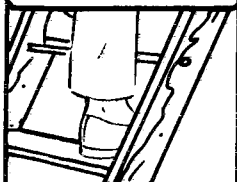


All ladders are very, very dangerous, so someone should always hold them for you!

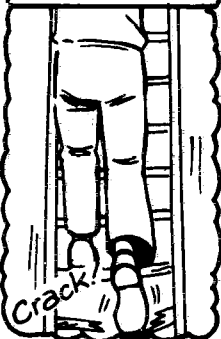
When working with ladders, try to make it impossible for an accident to happen!



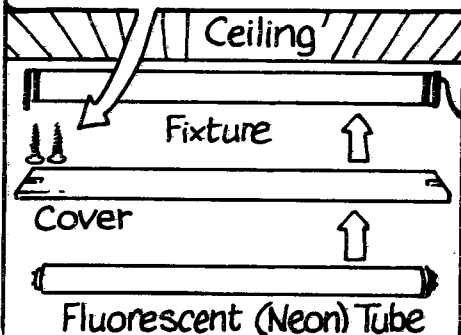
Place your feet on the far right and far left side of each step or rung. There is more support there.



Don't stand in the middle where the step can break!



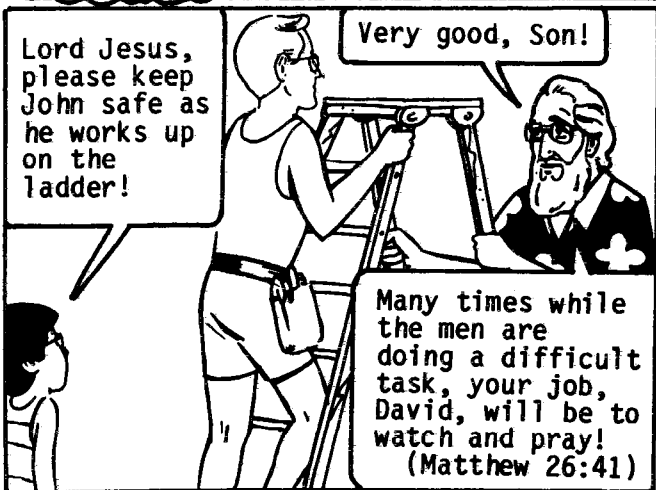
Now, if we were going to attach the fixture directly to the ceiling, we'd need good strong screws.



But because we want to hang the light down closer to James' desk, let's screw these eye-hooks into the ceiling, John!



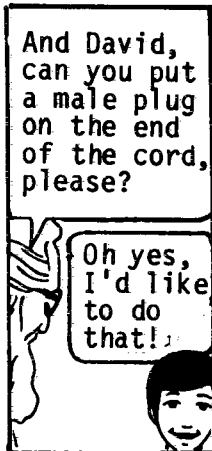
Lord Jesus, please keep John safe as he works up on the ladder!



Many times while the men are doing a difficult task, your job, David, will be to watch and pray! (Matthew 26:41)

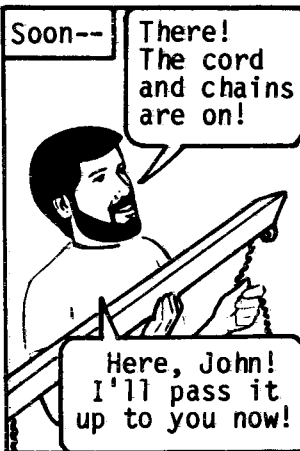
Alf, would you please measure how much electrical cord we'll need to reach that outlet by James' desk? Then we can attach the cord to the fixture.





And David, can you put a male plug on the end of the cord, please?

Oh yes, I'd like to do that!



Soon--

There! The cord and chains are on!

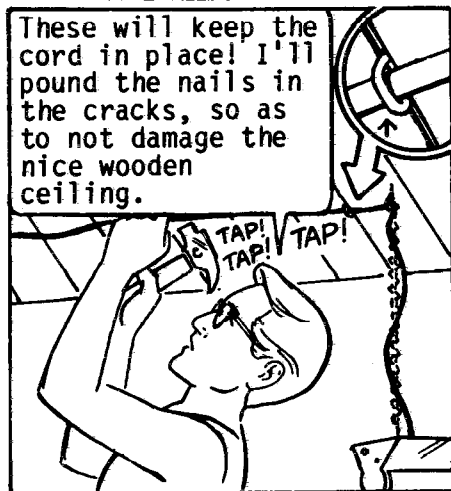
Here, John! I'll pass it up to you now!



There! It's up! Would you pass me some insulated U-shaped nails, please?

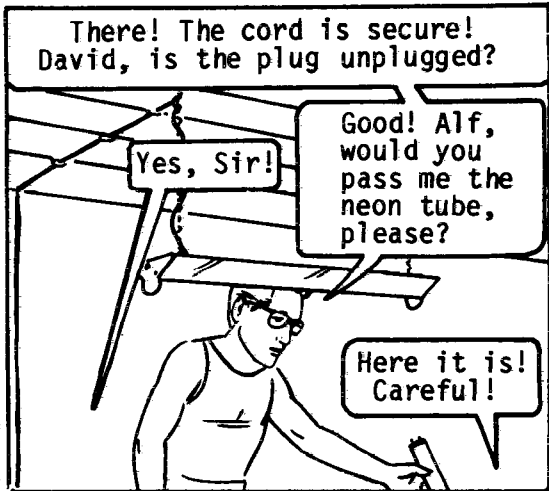
Here they are!

Eye hook  
Chain



These will keep the cord in place! I'll pound the nails in the cracks, so as to not damage the nice wooden ceiling.

TAP! TAP! TAP!



There! The cord is secure! David, is the plug unplugged?

Yes, Sir!

Good! Alf, would you pass me the neon tube, please?

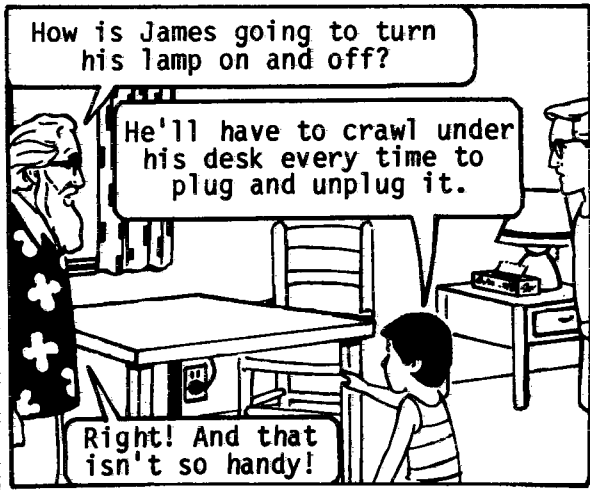
Here it is! Careful!



Soon--

Hurray! It works!!

Very good! But there is one thing we mustn't forget:



How is James going to turn his lamp on and off?

He'll have to crawl under his desk every time to plug and unplug it.

Right! And that isn't so handy!

# LIGHT SWITCHES:

It would be easier for him if we put an on/off light switch on the wire. Do we have any, John?

Yes, Sir! Right here.

Oh, good! This is the best kind, where all the electrical cord goes inside the switch.

Try not to buy the kind where only one wire goes through, and the other is left to go around the switch.

It's very easy to install an on/off switch: First of all be sure that the electrical cord you will be cutting is not plugged in!

All we need is a pair of wire-strippers, a screwdriver and a pocket-knife.

Find the best and most convenient place to put the switch.

Split apart the two cords and separate them.

It's not.

Very good!

Here would be best!

Cut one of the wires only!

Take off some of its rubber coating.

Always use wire-strippers or a knife. Never try to strip the wire with your teeth!

Then screw the two wire ends into their posts.

Screw

Wire End

After you screw the switch back together, plug the light in and--

There!

CLICK!

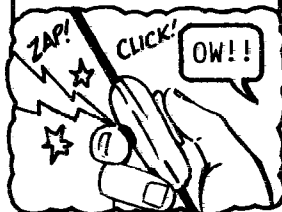
Thank You, Jesus!

Now that the lamp is all in place and plugged in--

--We should check to make sure that it's not "live".

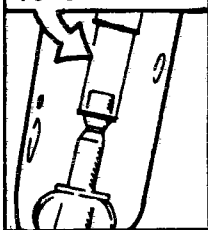
What does "live" mean, Grandpa?

"Live" means it has electricity in it! But if metal is "live" and gives you a shock, that's dangerous and something is wrong with it!

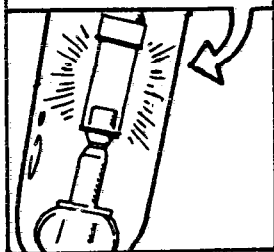


The best tool to use is a tester screwdriver. Place your thumb or forefinger on the handle of the screwdriver and touch a bare metal part of the light fixture with the tip of the screwdriver.

If the little light on your tester screwdriver doesn't go on, then the fixture is safe.



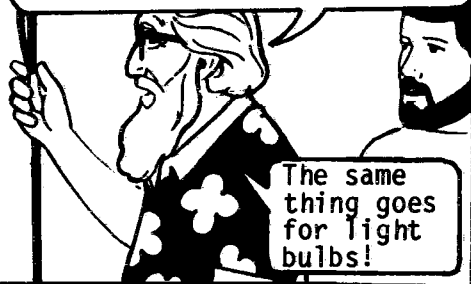
But if it goes on, it means that the metal is "live", and would give you a shock if you touched it with your bare hand.



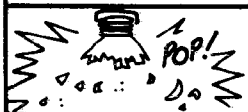
This one is safe. Thank the Lord! I'll check the light fixture as well!



Yes, and your tester screwdriver is a good brand. That's why when you get tools like these, always be sure that they are of good quality! You can't trust some of the cheaper models!



Be sure to get light bulbs that are from a well-known brand, made by a good company. Light bulbs of a cheaper, unknown brand may sometimes explode!



Thank you for putting up the neon light! I really appreciate it! I can see my work so much better now, and I don't have to strain my eyes! Thank the Lord!

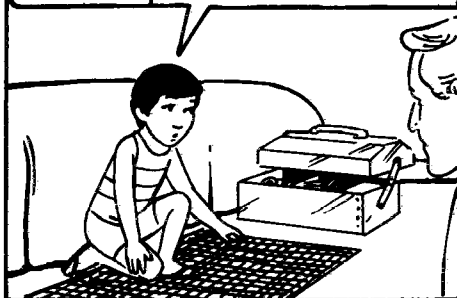


That's good! Our eyes are a priceless possession and we should do all we can to take good care of them!



### HANDYMAN INSPIRATION

OOPS! I dropped a tiny pin on the floor when I was putting the tools away! It must've fallen on the rug! Lord help me to find it!



Oh my! I can't find it! Somebody could get hurt if they step on it!

I know what we can do! I can get my magnet, and that could pick up the pin magnetically!

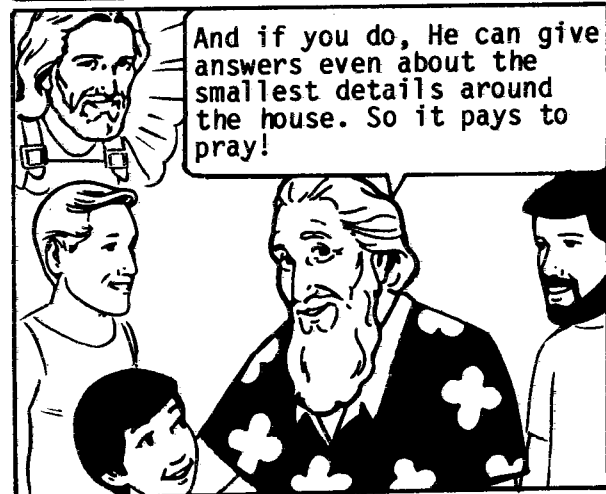
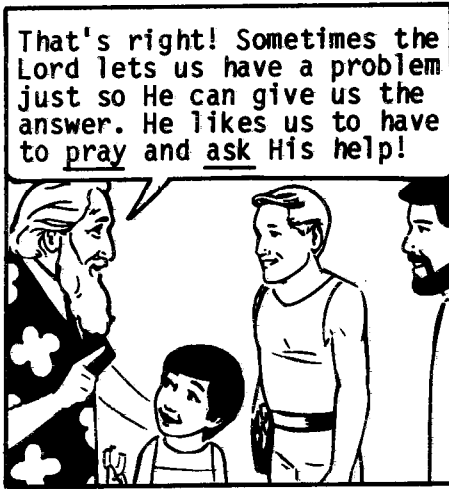
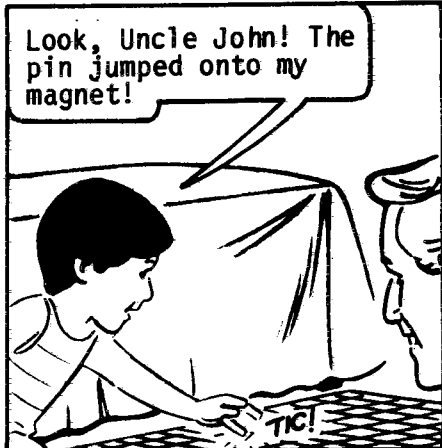


James, would you like to learn another trick you can do to have more natural light on your desk?



When you work by a window, you can put pieces of styrofoam or mirrors on the sides to catch the light and focus it on your work. Then it's like having two windows!





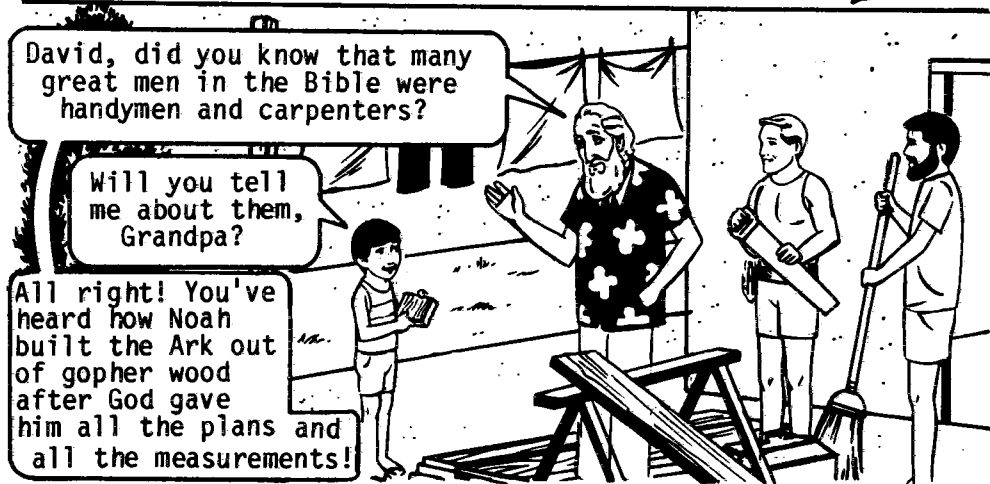
# HANDYMAN PART FIVE BENT NAILS!



David, did you know that many great men in the Bible were handy men and carpenters?

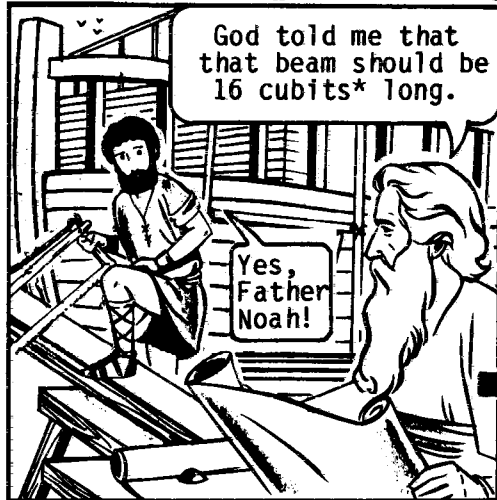
Will you tell me about them, Grandpa?

All right! You've heard how Noah built the Ark out of gopher wood after God gave him all the plans and all the measurements!



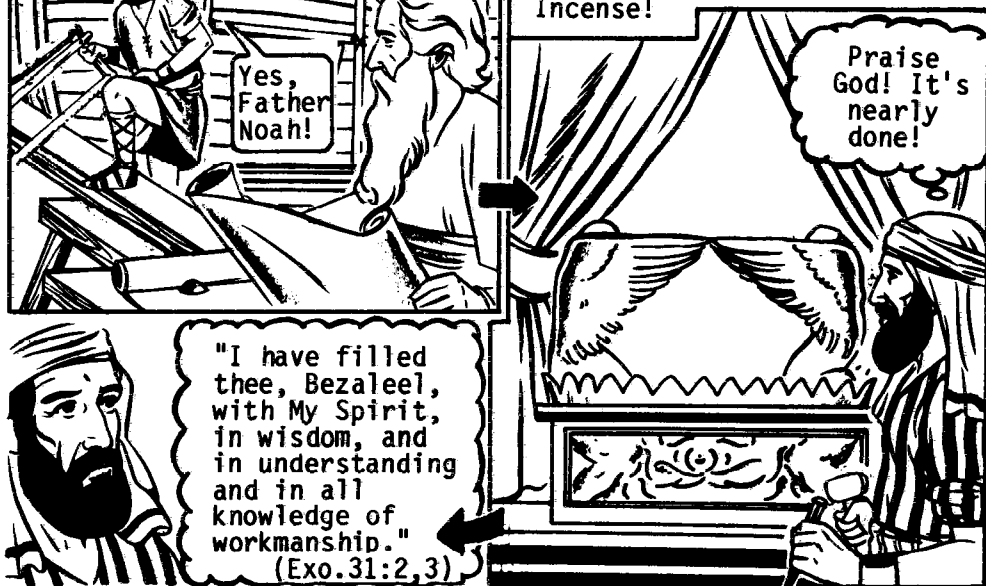
God told me that that beam should be 16 cubits\* long.

Yes, Father Noah!



Bezaleel was called by God to build the Tabernacle and the Ark of the Covenant when the children of Israel were travelling in the desert. He also built the Altar of Incense!

Praise God! It's nearly done!



"I have filled thee, Bezaleel, with My Spirit, in wisdom, and in understanding and in all knowledge of workmanship."

(Exo.31:2,3)

\* 1 Cubit = 18 Inches.

Nehemiah was also a good carpenter and handyman! He and his men rebuilt the walls of Jerusalem!

Come down!

No, I cannot come down! I am doing a great work! (Neh.6:3)



Hiram, King of Tyre, sent big cedar trees to Israel. (2Samuel 5:11)

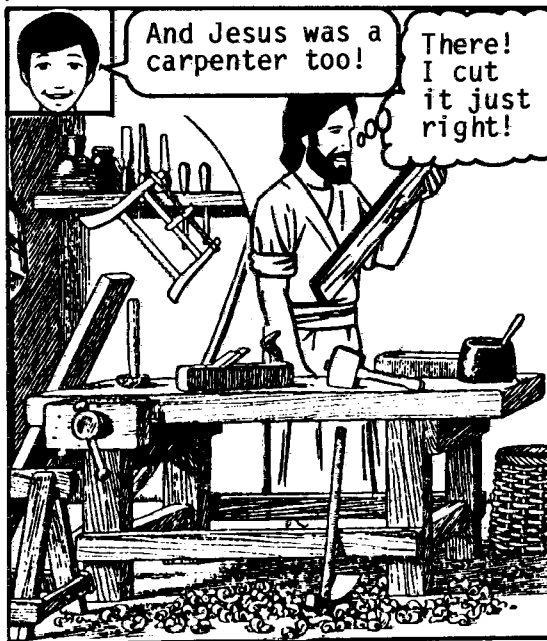


King Hiram's masons and carpenters built a palace for King David.



And Jesus was a carpenter too!

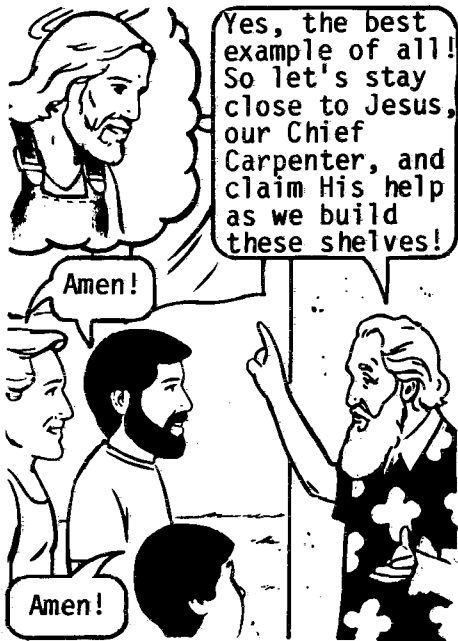
There! I cut it just right!

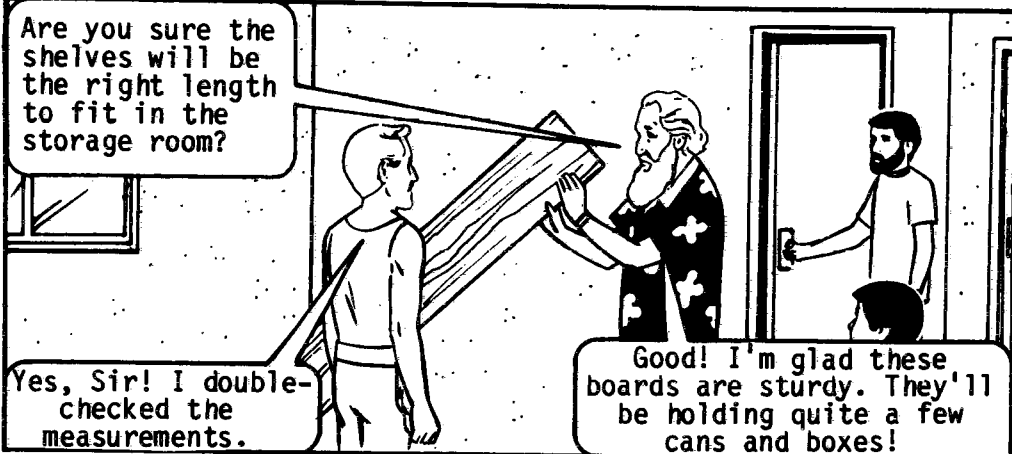


Yes, the best example of all! So let's stay close to Jesus, our Chief Carpenter, and claim His help as we build these shelves!

Amen!

Amen!

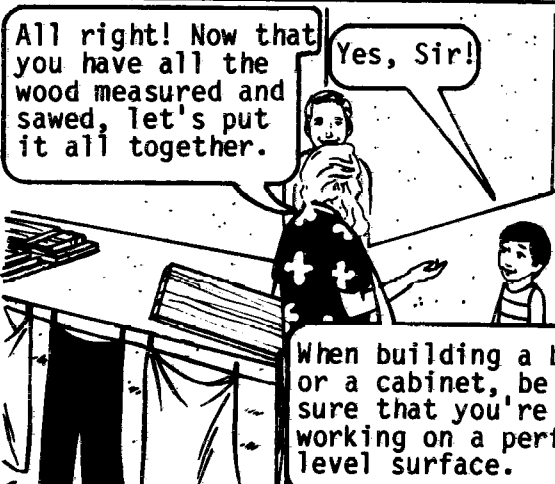




Are you sure the shelves will be the right length to fit in the storage room?

Yes, Sir! I double-checked the measurements.

Good! I'm glad these boards are sturdy. They'll be holding quite a few cans and boxes!



All right! Now that you have all the wood measured and sawed, let's put it all together.

Yes, Sir!

When building a box or a cabinet, be very sure that you're working on a perfectly level surface.



The concrete out here is probably level enough. We don't want to do any hammering inside and crack one of those nice tiles on the storage room floor.

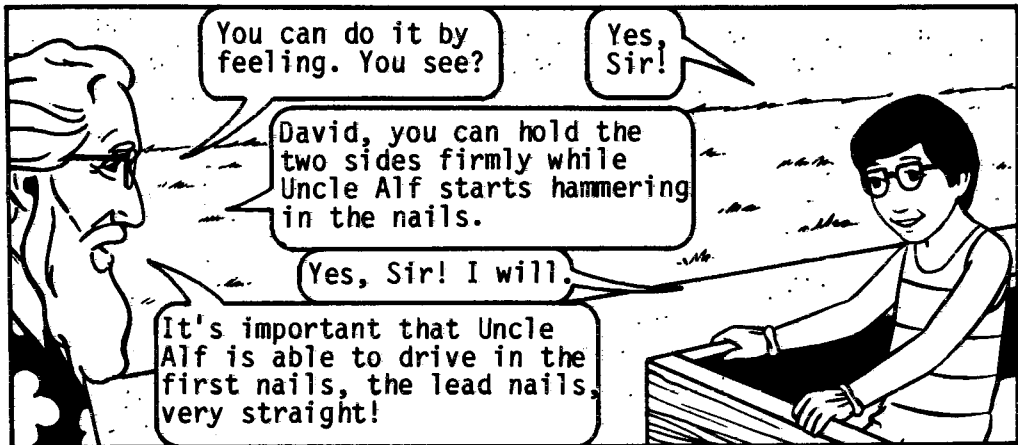


Always nail your longest boards first, these boards that go on the longer sides. They are the ones that are most apt to get out of line if you don't.



Let's do this side first. Be sure that you get it perfectly flush\* before you put your first nail in.

\* Flush = When two surfaces are even with each other.



Sometimes when you're using long nails and you don't hammer them in very straight, they can stick out of the sides, tearing the boards.



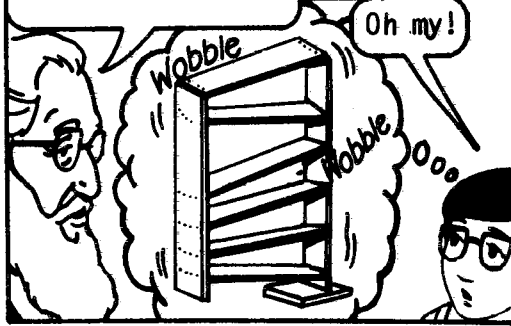
Once you've pounded in the lead nails, they hold the boards firmly enough together so that you can easily pound in all the other nails without the boards moving!



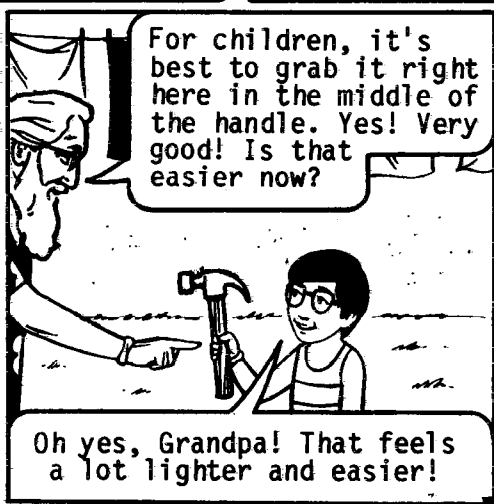
And by seeing where the lead nails are, you can know exactly where to pound in all the other nails, right in line!

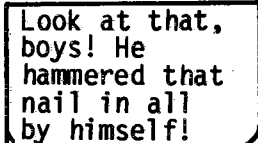
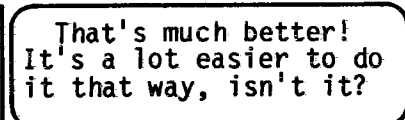
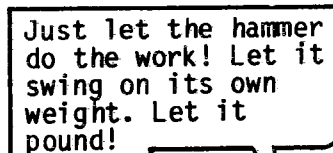
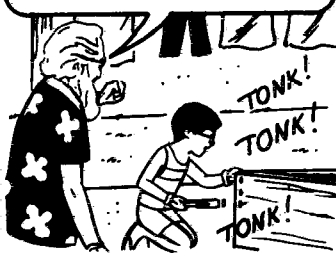
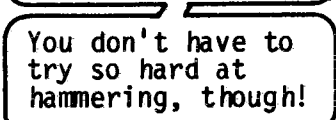
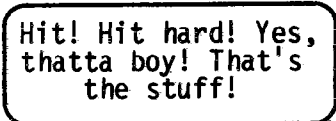
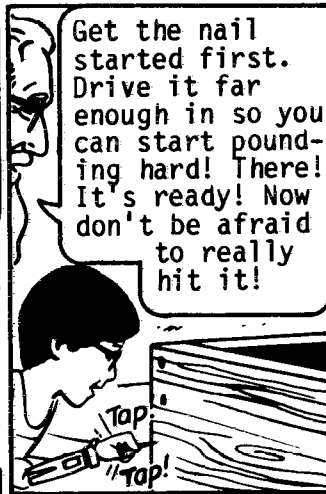
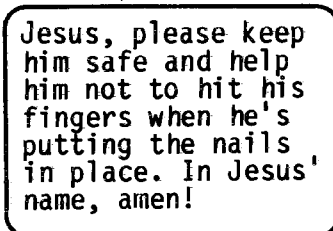


Now, the most important thing for you to do, Son, is to hold these ends straight while Uncle Alf is pounding, because if we start off wrong here, then we are going to wind up wrong everywhere, and end up with crooked shelves!



It's like weaving a tapestry:  
If you go out of line in the  
beginning, then the whole  
pattern will end up crooked!





Do you want to try another one?

Yes, Sir!

!?

TAP! TAP! CLOONK!

Oh my! The nail bent, Grandpa!

Well, let me show you the best way to straighten out a nail!

You hook the claw on the nail. One edge of the claw should press right on the bend, and the other further up. Then you push--

Hrrmm! Well, it didn't work this time. Once you've got a bent nail, it's hard to straighten it out!

I can't pull it out with my hands.

Let's pull it out and use another new nail instead.

Ummph!

Oh, but I can pull it out with the hammer, because the head of the nail gets stuck right here between these two curvy claws!

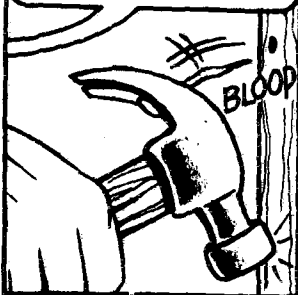
Right! But wait a minute! You don't just try to pull the nail straight out. That's not how to do it!

Here's the way you pull it: You put the claw under the head of the nail and just push the handle down, like this!

UMPH!

Pull! Pull!

You use the wood surface as a lever or support as you pull the nail out. See?



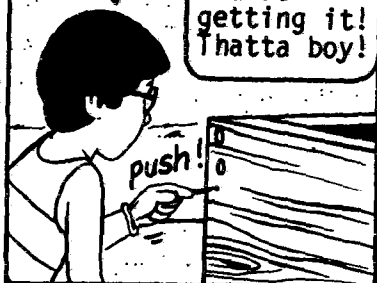
Oh, that's why the claw is made curvy!

Yes! Exactly right!

Now put a new nail in the first nail's hole.

Umph!

Very good! You're getting it! Thatta boy!

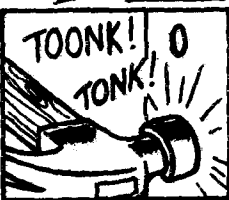


That's a hard piece of wood. That's why it's taking some effort!

There!

Praise the Lord! You did it!

Now I'll hit it!



Would you hold the other side now while Uncle Alf pounds in the lead nails over there too?

Yes, Sir!

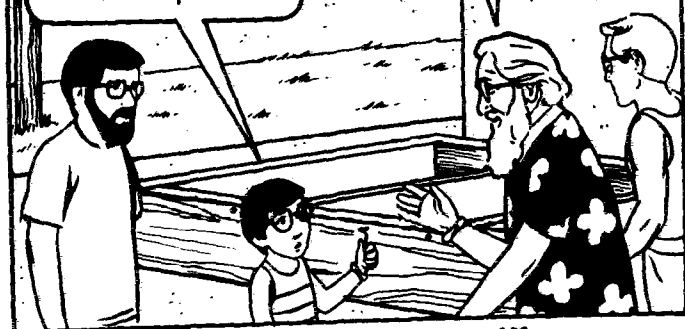


A while later--

I'm trying to unbend this nail, Grandpa!

Well, Honey, it's pretty hard to straighten a bent nail!

The only time I ever had to straighten a nail was when I was running out of good nails and had to try to save the few I had!



Once a nail has been bent,  
it's apt to bend again  
when you're pounding it,  
because it's so weak now.

Oh no! There it goes  
bending again!!

TONK! TONK!  
CLOONK!!

Just like  
some "bent"  
people, you  
can never  
get a badly  
bent nail  
perfectly  
straight  
again!

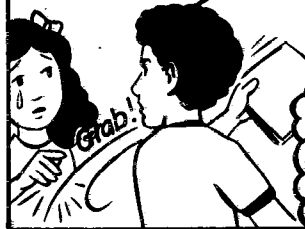
I hope  
this will  
straighten  
you out!



Once they get really badly  
bent, you can never straighten  
them out again. It's too hard!

Only the Lord can ever  
straighten them, by melting  
them and remaking them all  
over again!

Give me that  
book, Rebekah!



Sigh! That  
spanking  
didn't seem  
to help!

Oh, Billy, you're  
so much sweeter  
now!



Praise God!  
He's made a  
new person  
out of me!



When it's that  
badly bent, you  
just have to  
throw it in the  
wastebasket. It's  
not good for any-  
thing anymore!

Bent nails aren't  
much good, like  
bent people! They  
don't do the Lord  
much good!

Some people bend out of  
shape easily, and the  
more you knock them on  
the head, the more they  
bend out of shape.

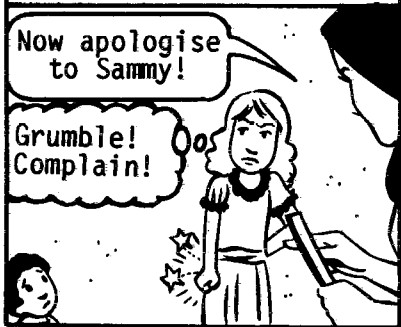


Murmur!



Now apologise  
to Sammy!

Grumble!  
Complain!



But a good straight person, somebody who is in line and really straight for the Lord, when you knock them in the head, they go right where they belong!

They fit in place and hold things together!

Now, I'll give you another chance, Honey! This time watch the toddlers better and don't let them get rowdy!

See? You can play together!

Yes, Ma'am!

Me!

Me!

The more you knock them in the head, the more they do good!

Grandpa, we never hit people with a hammer like this though. We only hit nails!

Right! The Lord hits us with His spiritual hammer! But this kind of hammer is only for hitting nails!

That's right! The more knocks they get, the straighter they go for the Lord!

The more knocks a good straight nail gets, the straighter he goes, and the better he holds things together!

I'm helping hold things together!

I'll go where You want me to go, dear Lord!

TOONK!

And these lead nails are like the leaders in our Family!

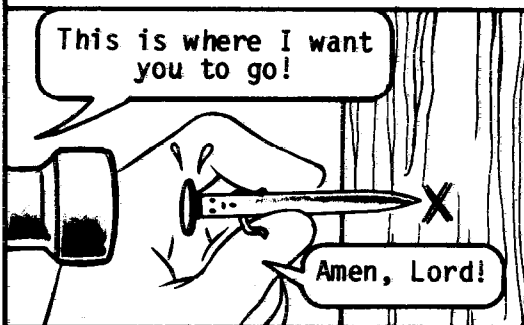
They show the other nails where and how to go!

Yes!



When you first start to hit the nails you must do just what the Lord does to us: He holds us real tight for a little while to get us in place and get us started in the right direction.

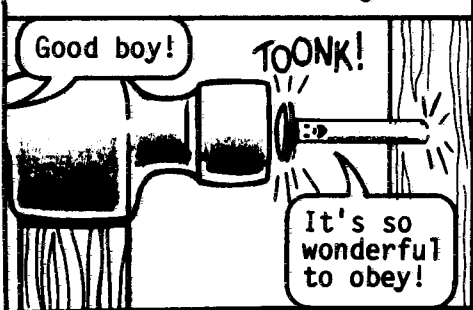
He hits us on the head with the hammer of His Will to give us a shove in the right direction.



Then, once He's started us in the right direction, He can take His hand away, because now we're firmly in place where we should be, doing what we should be doing!

Sammy, would you please go out posterizing today?

Good boy! Keep it up!



Later--

Look, Grandpa!  
We're done! We  
put in lots and  
lots of nails!

Yes, you put in a lot of nails,  
about one leader for every six  
followers! That's about how many  
it takes!

Praise the  
Lord! Now, if  
you want to do  
a real good  
job, take a  
rasp and file  
these boards  
rough edges.

Braces

What is a rasp,  
Grandpa?

Yes, Sir!  
It's right  
here in  
the tool  
box!

Here  
it is!

First, you go along  
these scraggly edges  
and file them off!

A rasp is a very  
coarse file,  
used on wood.

Here,  
you  
try!

Do we have a  
rasp, Alf?

Thank  
you,  
Alf!

Okay, Grandpa!

Don't draw it  
up or it will  
pull off a  
bunch of  
splinters.  
Just push it  
down each  
time.

You're doing well!  
Keep pushing it  
down, David! Don't  
go back and forth  
until you've got  
all those  
rough  
edges off!

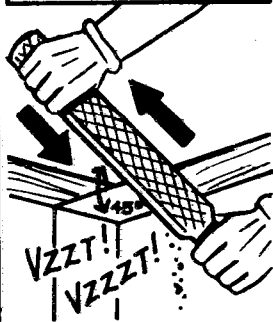
Soon--

All the  
edges are  
filed,  
Grandpa!

Good! Now you  
can go back and  
forth at a 45  
degree angle  
and rasp it!

Edges.

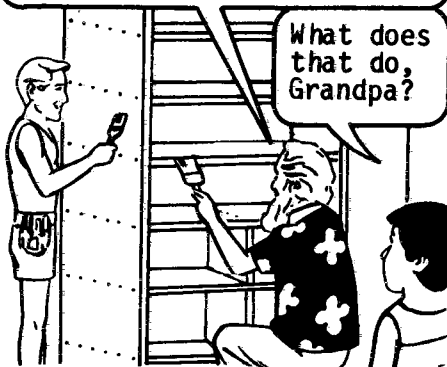
VRRRT!



Now, let's do a really, really smooth job. Take a piece of sandpaper and sand the outside, especially the edges.



Finally, we put on a nice coat of "Wood Stain".

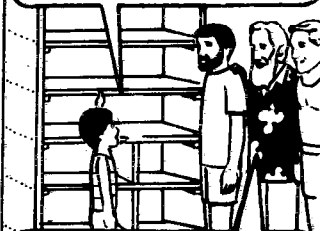


It darkens the wood a little to match the colour of the room! Now we put on a clear coat of varnish or shellac to smooth and protect the wood from water and damage.



The next day--

Look, Grandpa! Our shelves are all dry and completely finished now!

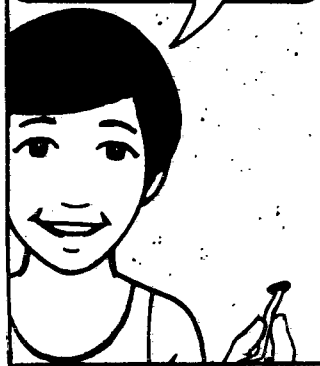


You boys did an excellent job! God bless you!

Now we have sturdy shelves for our storage room!

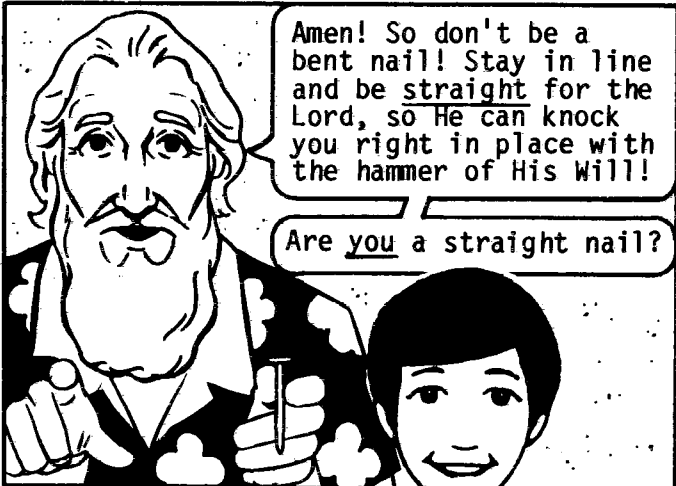


And we learned a mighty good lesson about bent nails!



Amen! So don't be a bent nail! Stay in line and be straight for the Lord, so He can knock you right in place with the hammer of His Will!

Are you a straight nail?



# CARPENTRY!



Hello, children! Wasn't that a good lesson on "Bent Nails" and building shelves? Well, soon afterwards, our shoppers brought home our survival food and lots more lumber and nails, and our new handyman adventures began!

Good morning, Uncle Alf and Uncle John!

Good morning, David!

Grandpa said I could help you load up the boxes and cans of survival food!

Yes, that's right! But before we load the cans on the shelves--

I'm going to fasten the shelves to the wall with these metal L-shaped braces.

We wouldn't want these shelves to fall down on someone, would we?

No, Sir!

If the shelves had a thick plywood backing, I could put screws through that, but since it doesn't have a back, we'll attach the braces on the side here.

So, after a good word of prayer, Uncle John drilled holes in the cement wall and began putting in the plastic anchors and the screws.

Uncle Alf, why is this wood on all the shelves but the top ones?

Those are called "braces", David!

They help support the shelves and make them stronger so they can hold the weight of many cans.

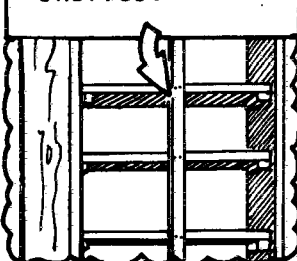


Why don't we have braces on the top shelves too, Uncle Alf?

Well, we could, but we don't need to. It's best to put the heaviest storage items on the bottom shelves only, and lighter ones like toilet paper on the top shelves.



Another way to strengthen the shelves is to nail a 1-by-2 board up the front of the shelves.



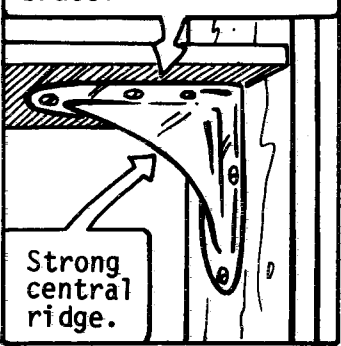
Are these boards "braces", too?



Yes, David, they are!

They're strong 2-by-2 boards!

Another kind of brace you can use is a metal diagonal brace.

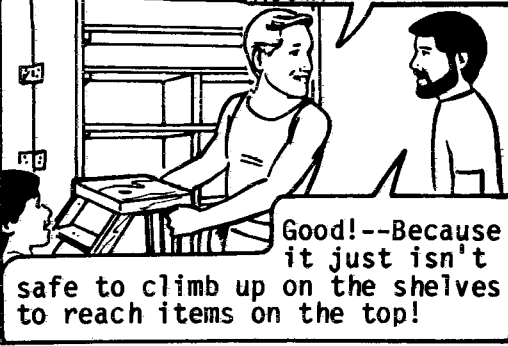


Strong central ridge.

There! I'm done attaching the braces! We can load up the shelves now!



Look, our little step-ladder sure comes in handy in the Storage-Room!



Good!--Because it just isn't safe to climb up on the shelves to reach items on the top!

Oh my! Look at all that lumber! Are we going to make something?



Yes! Praise the Lord!

We're going to be building several things within the next few days, David!

First of all we need to make a bed for you, Uncle John!

That's right!

Later--

There! We've put everything up on the shelves!

Now, how would you like to learn a little more about carpentry, David?

Oh yes, Sir!

It's really simple to make a bed. All you need is wood, nails, a hammer and a saw!

And a wooden carpenter's ruler!

That's right!

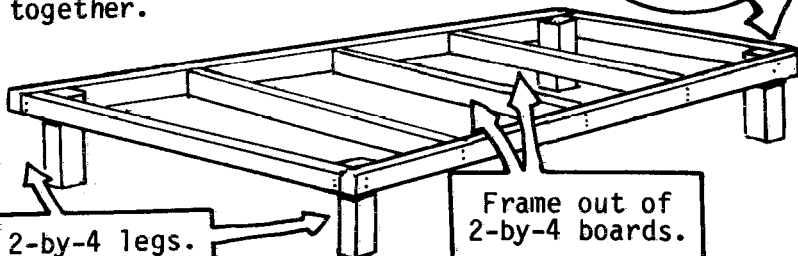
How big a bed are we going to make for you, Uncle John?

Well, that depends on the size of the mattress we have. So let's measure it, shall we?

Yes, Sir!

Once all the wood had been measured and marked, we sawed it and began to nail it!

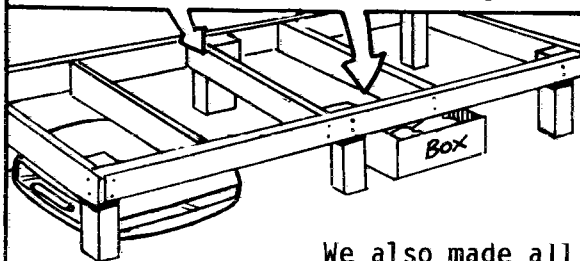
The bed needed to be sturdy enough for a big person to sleep on it, so we used extra-long nails so that plenty of the nail went through into the other piece of wood, holding both boards tightly together.



2-by-4 legs.

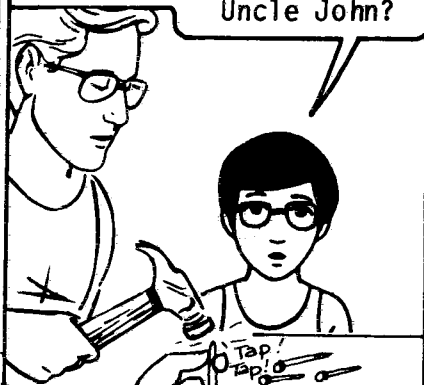
Frame out of 2-by-4 boards.

We put extra legs in the middle of the bed, on both sides, to help support it and make it stronger.

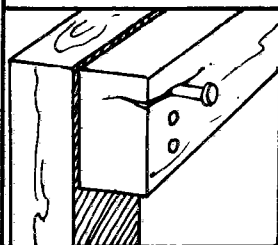


We also made all the legs high enough so that suitcases or low boxes could be stored underneath the bed.

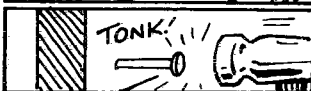
Why are you pounding on the point of the nails, Uncle John?



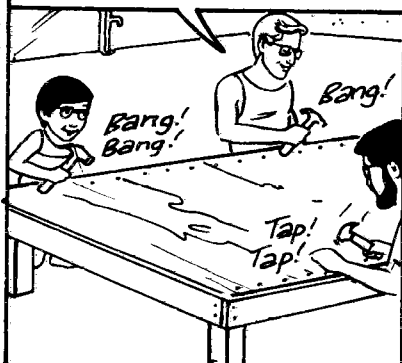
I'm making them blunt, David, because they've been splitting the boards when I nailed them.



When they're blunt, they don't split the wood so easily. Another way to avoid board splitting is to drill holes slightly smaller than the nails, and drive the nails into them.



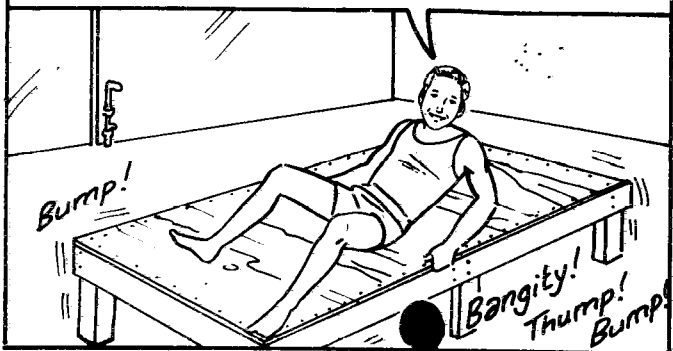
This quarter-inch plywood will make a nice sturdy bedboard!



Now let's file off and sand any sharp or rough edges.



Praise the Lord! It passes the final test! It's strong enough to stand my bumping it around! Good! Now let's varnish it!



Later--

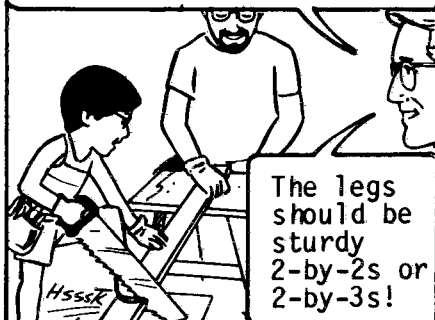
There! We're done!  
Now, David, would  
you like to help us  
build a table?

Making a table is also a  
very easy job. After you  
decide on the size and the  
height, you cut the wood.

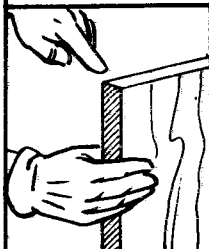
This thick  
half-inch  
plywood will  
make a nice  
strong  
table top!



Yes,  
Sir!

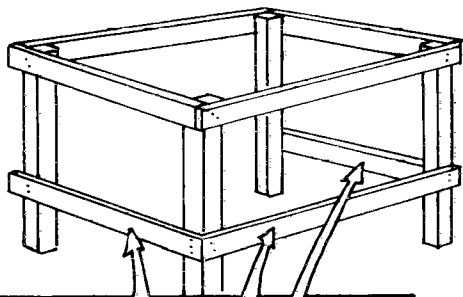


The legs  
should be  
sturdy  
2-by-2s or  
2-by-3s!



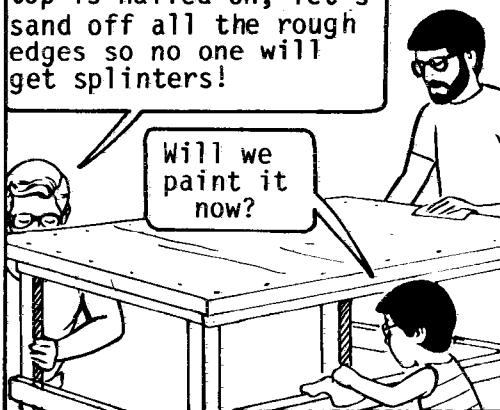
The table will most likely  
need braces to make it sturdy  
and strong.

There! Now that the table  
top is nailed on, let's  
sand off all the rough  
edges so no one will  
get splinters!



Braces on three sides only.

Will we  
paint it  
now?



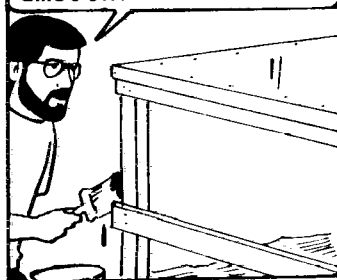
That's right, David!  
Now we can paint it  
with varnish or  
paint! It will prob-  
ably need two coats  
to make it really  
smooth!

**RUMBLE!**

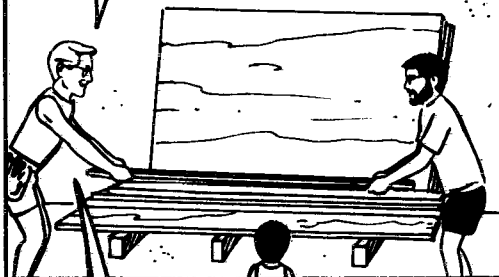
Oh my!  
Thunder!

Yes, it's a  
good thing  
that we  
store our  
lumber in  
the garage,  
not out in  
the rain!

But, just in  
case it might  
flood, let's  
put all the  
lumber up on  
these 2-by-4s  
so it won't  
get warped!

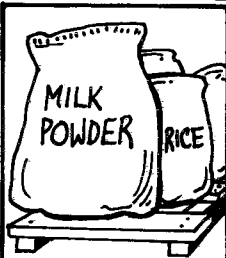
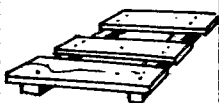


Good! It's all safe now!



David, that's why we made those "pallets" for the Storage Room, to keep the bags of Milk Powder, rice, etc. off the floor.

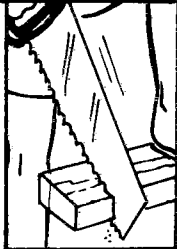
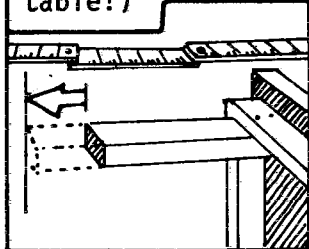
Wooden pallet.



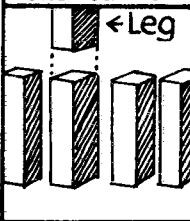
We still have a little time before lunch, so let's lengthen the legs of this small table we made a few days ago, so it'll be high enough for James.



When a table is too low (like this one), here's an easy way to raise it: Measure how much higher you want the table to be and cut some small pieces of wood that exact length. (Don't do this with a nice table!)



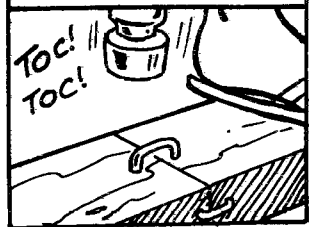
Be sure that the new pieces are the same thickness as the legs of the table.



Now, to fasten the two pieces together, we will use some extra-large sized electrical nails.



Drive one point of the electrical nail into the leg of the table and the other point into the piece that you're adding on. There!



Praise the Lord! That was a good morning's work!



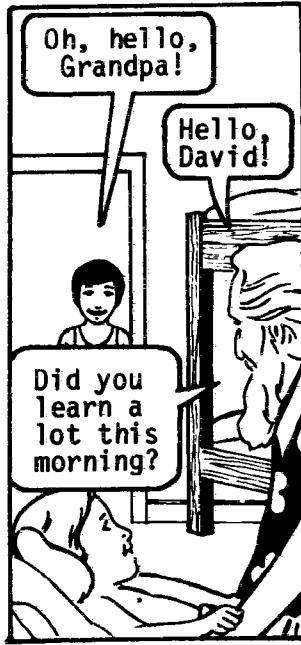
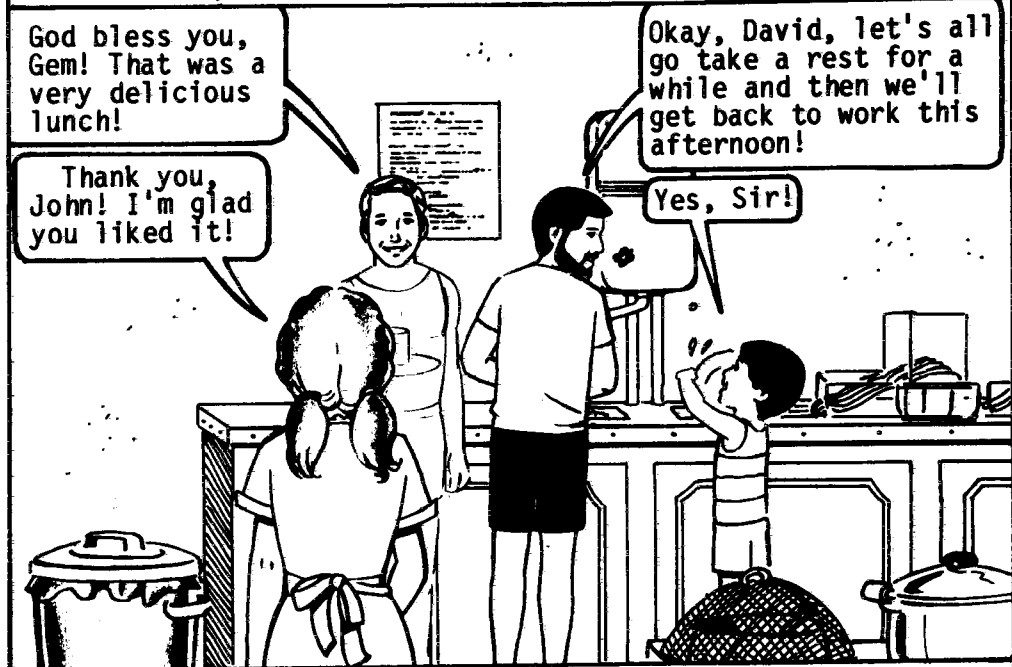
And now it's lunch-time, so let's clean up and go eat! I really have an appetite!

Thank You, Jesus! I learned so much this morning!

Did you?



# ODDS AND ENDS!



Continue to be a faithful happy helper, and watch and listen and learn. You never know, someday you may be the handyman in the house, and be in charge of building and fixing and repairing everything!

Thank You Jesus!  
That's exciting!

**CRUMBLE!**

And if the Lord sees you're faithful and diligent with taking care of one house, He may put you in charge of several houses!

He might even make you the Ruler of cities and an entire country in the Millennium!

We'll be building five new villages in this area, so we'll need 225 tons of lumber!

Yes, Sir! I'll order it from the lumber mill right away!

You will be able to teach others how to do it! Do you catch the vision? You're being trained for jobs that you will not only be doing now, but in the Future, the Age to come!

Now, watch carefully and I'll show you how to build a family-sized cottage!

Then I'll give you the plans for building the entire village. Are you ready?

YES, SIR!

So get a good rest now, because you'll need to be fresh and alert to help the boys this afternoon!

Yes, I love you, Grandpa!

After nap time--

"RUMBLE!"

Good afternoon, David!

Good afternoon, Uncle Alf and Uncle John!

My! It's still really raining!

Yes! Thank the Lord we are stocked up with some extra food, as we couldn't go out shopping in this stormy weather!

David, would you like to lead us in a good word of prayer before we begin our afternoon's handyman jobs?

Soon--

Yes, Sir!

Praise the Lord! The first thing we need to do is plane the door to the garage!

This is the door!

SCRAPE!

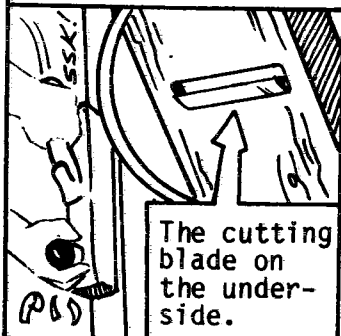
Uncle Alf, what does it mean, to "plane" the door?

Most of the time it's the side of the door that needs to be planed so that it will open and shut properly again.

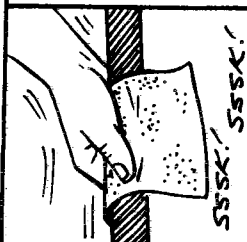
Well, when a door sticks and doesn't open easily, then we have to cut some of the wood away so it won't be so tight! This is called planing.

Plane this part

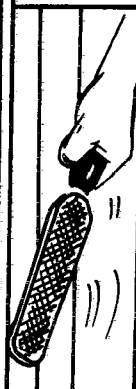
It's a very simple job: All you need to do is level it with a plane.



Sometimes, if you just have to smooth it down a tiny bit, you can use sandpaper.



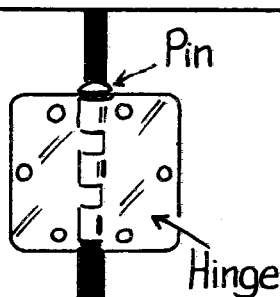
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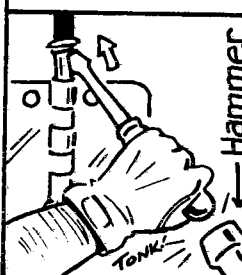
Other times, it may be the top of the door that needs some planing.



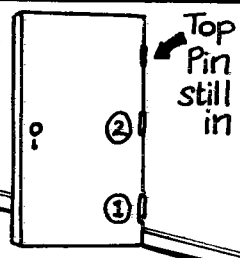
These are pretty easy areas to get to. But if it's the bottom of the door that needs planing, you'll need to take the door off its hinges first.



Use a strong thin-bladed screwdriver to take the pins out of the door hinges.



Take the pin out of the bottom hinge first, then take the center pin out.



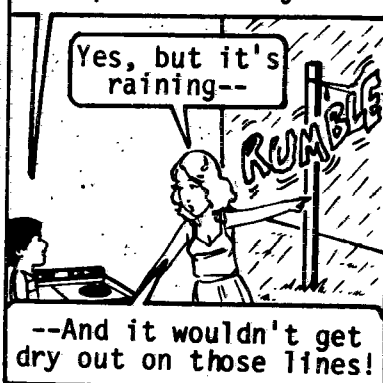
Lastly, remove the top pin. If you do it this way, it lessens the danger of the door falling on you.



Take the door outside or set it on newspapers so the wood chips can be easily cleaned up later.



Oh, hello, Aunt Dora! Have you come to hang up the laundry?



I have an idea! We could put up some laundry lines in the garage for you to use in this rainy weather!



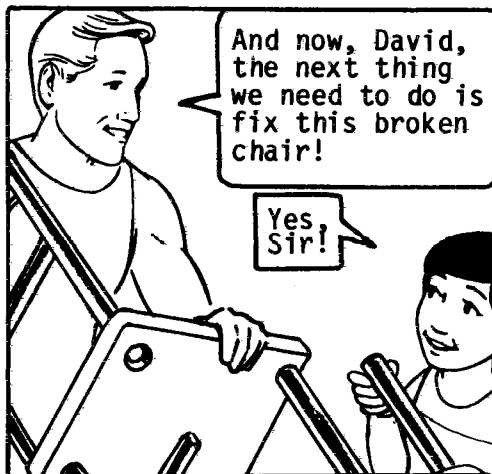
Later--

There you are, Dora! A few nice indoor laundry lines!



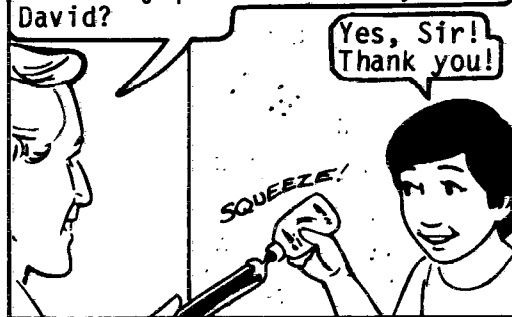
And now, David, the next thing we need to do is fix this broken chair!

Yes, Sir!

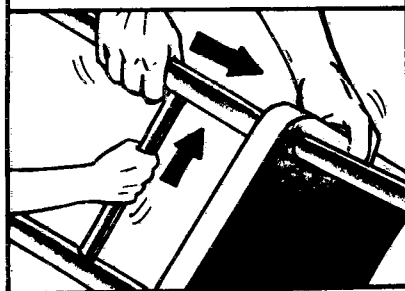


First, we'll glue both sides of the broken part with Wood Glue. We could also use contact cement. Here, would you like to carefully put some on it, David?

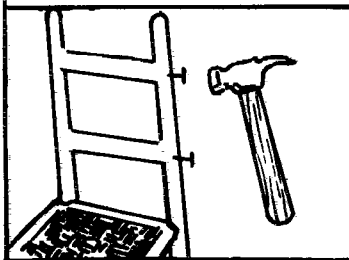
Yes, Sir! Thank you!



Now let's press the pieces together real tightly! Make sure they are lined up exactly the way we want them to be.



Depending on the type of chair and the part that is broken, you could even drill a hole, and then we can pound a nail in, or put a screw in it!



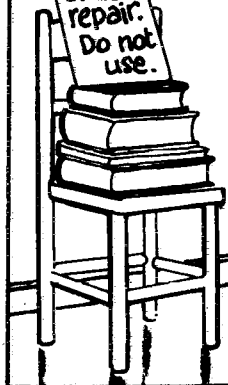
Now let's put some weight on top of the chair to hold the pieces together firmly!



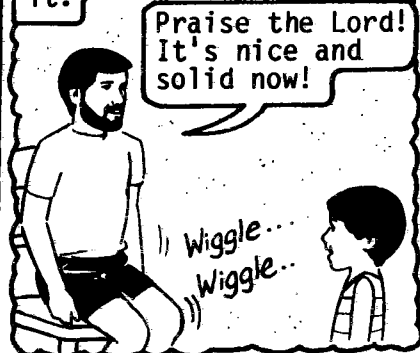
Now we'll let it sit for a day or so until the Wood Glue is completely dry.



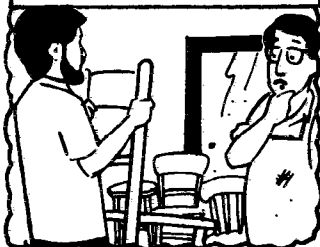
Under repair.  
Do not use.



When it's dry, we must be sure to try it out before we let others use it.



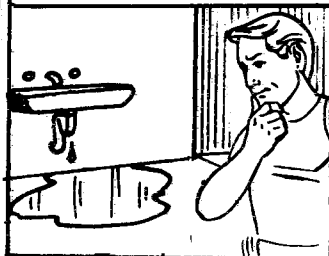
If this doesn't fix it, or if it's too badly broken, we might have to take the chair to a professional carpenter.



There are times when the handyman of the Home needs to ask the help of an expert, and take the job to him.



In fact, before starting to do any kind of big job or repair work, a handyman should ask himself:



--Do I understand what needs to be done?

--Do I have the knowledge and experience to do it?

Hmm!

--Do I really have the faith for this job?

--Do I have the proper tools?

If the answer is "No" to any of these questions, you will have to seek the help of an expert, someone who can do the work better than you!

Meanwhile there's still lots of work here that can be done! Praise the Lord! !



Oh! I enjoy it! Thank you for teaching me! I love you!



# CHEAP TOOLS!

THE CHEAPEST THING IS NOT ALWAYS WORTH IT!



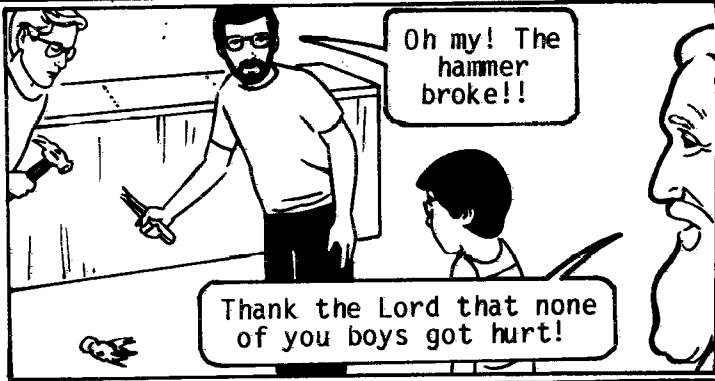
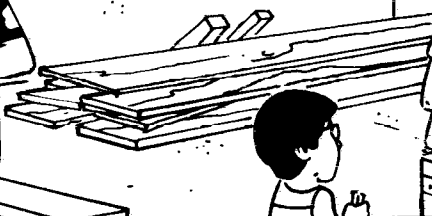
Praise the Lord! Isn't it fun to learn to fix things and be a helper to everyone in the Home? Many times while working on handyman jobs, we've learned very important spiritual lessons from Grandpa!



Thank You, Jesus!  
Soon we'll have  
another nice  
sturdy shelf!

BANG!  
BANG!

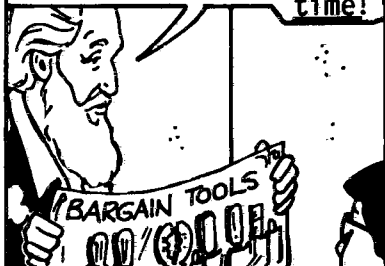
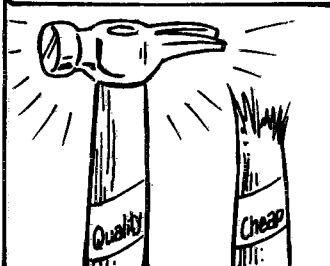
BANG!  
BANG!  
BANG!



You see? The cheapest thing is not always the best!

You're much better off paying a little more for something that's better quality and will last longer!

Many bargains are not worth it; they will cost you more in the long run, and you will lose all the money you paid for them!--And time!



Look, we bought this cheap set of tools at a "bargain" price, but nearly every screwdriver is broken and now the hammer too!

Always buy good quality tools! Make sure that they are well-made, and that they are not going to break at the first turn of the handle! See? Look at this cheap tool!



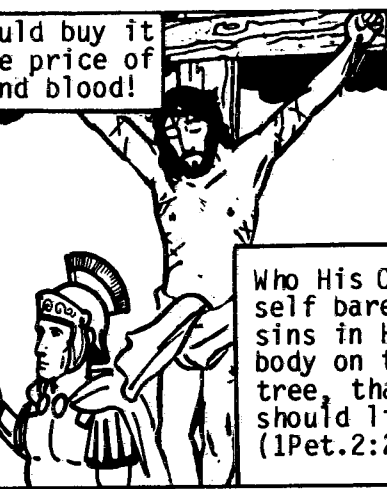
Look at these pliers! You can't even open them! I tell you, I don't like cheap tools!

I didn't make cheap tools out of you! Every one of you is a very valuable tool in the Lord's hands! The Bible says that each of you was bought with a price! (1Cor.6:20)--You were bought with the greatest, most expensive price that anyone could possibly pay!--Not merely with silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ! (1Pet.1:18,19)



Our salvation was not cheap! It was so costly that none of us could afford to pay for it!

Jesus alone could buy it for us with the price of His Own life and blood!

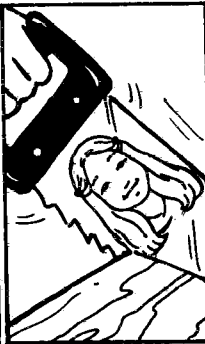


Who His Own self bare our sins in His Own body on the tree, that we should live! (1Pet.2:24)



The Lord wanted good, hi-quality tools to work with--you and me! And He was willing to pay the highest possible price for us!

Jesus made sure that He got what He paid for!--Tools that He can really trust and use to do a big job for Him!



And remember what Dr. Moody said when they wanted him to go speak at some meeting?

Dr. Moody, we know you're a very busy man. But this won't cost you anything!



--Just a few minutes, that's all!

I'm sorry, but I can't go! If it doesn't cost me anything, then it's not worth going!

So remember, the cheapest thing is not always worth it! Get good quality tools and materials!



# THE SKIMMER-POLE SAW!

ASK THE LORD FOR ANSWERS!



Grandpa often gets revelations about how to solve little problems around the house. He prays and the Lord gives him a picture, showing him an easy way to do these jobs.



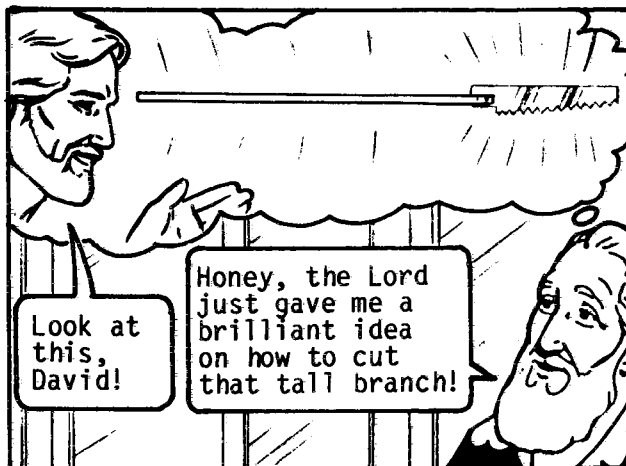
Praise the Lord!  
It's such a beautiful sunny day outside!

I do wish we could get more light in this room, though. That one big branch is growing right in front of the window and is blocking a lot of the sunlight!



Lord Jesus, what should we do about this? We can't reach that tall tree limb. Please show me an easy way to prune it! In Jesus' name, amen!





Could you please call the boys and tell them I'll meet them right away in the garage work area?



Look at this, David!

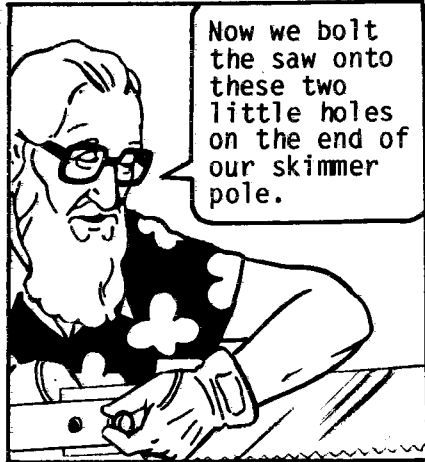
Honey, the Lord just gave me a brilliant idea on how to cut that tall branch!

Yes, Sir!

A little later--

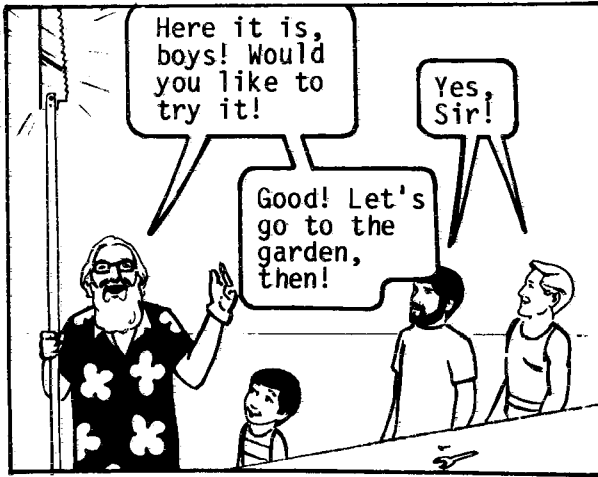


First we take the handle off our saw.



Now we bolt the saw onto these two little holes on the end of our skimmer pole.

Normally this pole is used for vacuuming and skimming leaves off the top of our pool.



Here it is, boys! Would you like to try it!

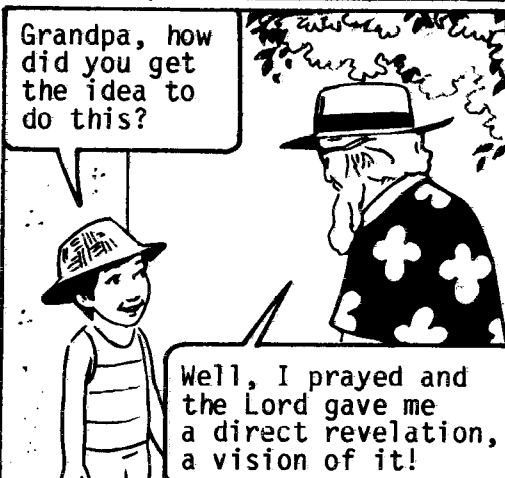
Yes, Sir!

Good! Let's go to the garden, then!

Soon--



Be sure you don't cut right overhead, John, or the branch might fall on you!

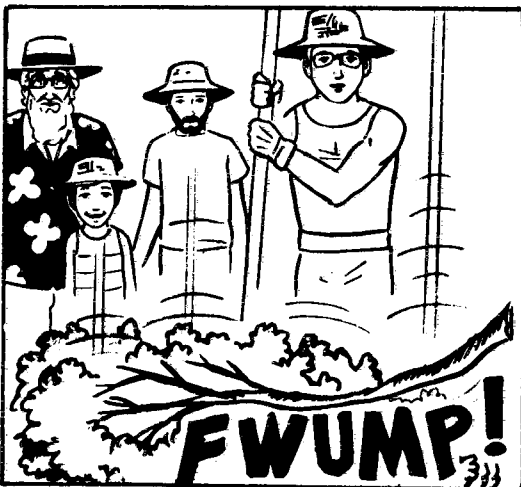


Everything the Lord shows you always works out, even to the smallest detail!



WATCH OUT!!

Falling branch!!



You see, you can pioneer something new every day if you pray!

So if you have a problem, even with the small things around the house, just stop and really pray, and the Lord can give you the answer in a picture.

The problem may be very difficult to us, but it's easy to the Lord, and He loves to give us the answers!

Pray for picture power!

So if you ever have a tough problem, instead of trying to figure it all out by yourself, just admit that you don't know what to do and ask the Lord for the solution!--Like the time I had the rash on my legs, and I prayed--

Oh, Jesus, why do I have this terrible rash on the lower part of my legs? Am I not eating enough vitamins, or what is the problem, Jesus?

Thank You, Jesus! So that's it! It's that insecticide that the gardener sprayed on the grass that is causing this rash!

Sometimes Mommy or Daddy or one of the adults have the answer you need. Don't be afraid to ask them! They love to help you too!

Oh, I just don't know where this puzzle piece goes! Would you please help me, Auntie Sara?

Of course, Tech! It goes right over here! See?

If we ask, the Lord will give us the answers to our problems! He knows exactly what to do and how to do it, so pray and ask Him, amen?

# GO SLOW!

## ... HASTE MAKES WASTE!

I've got the screwdriver, Grandpa!

Slow down, Son!  
You're going too fast!

I'm sorry,  
Grandpa!

I love you, Honey!  
You're a real faithful  
"go-fer"! I know you  
were very eager to  
bring me the screw-  
driver!--But do you  
remember what our rule  
is on running?

Yes, Sir!  
We should  
never run  
in the  
house!

That's right!  
And you should  
never ever rush  
when you're  
carrying some-  
thing sharp or  
pointed! If you  
were to fall you  
could get badly  
injured!

As I've always said, "Speed kills!  
Haste makes waste!" Do you know  
any other quotes or verses about  
not being in a hurry?

Yes, Sir! "He that  
hasteth with his  
feet sinneth."  
(Proverbs 19:2)

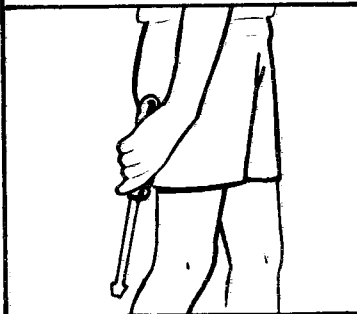
So whenever you're carrying  
a sharp object, what should  
you do?

Walk slowly and  
carefully!

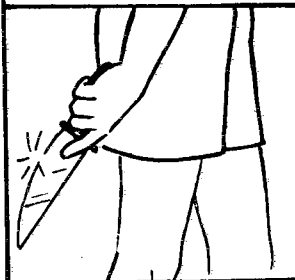
That's a very good verse to take  
to heart!

Yes, and here's how you  
hold it!

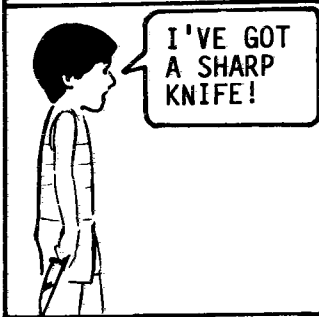
Carry the point, or the cutting edge, facing down and away from your body!



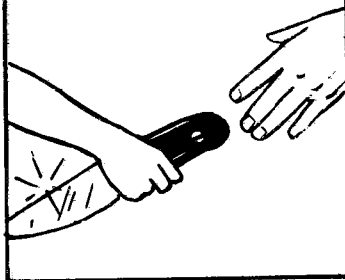
If it's a sharp knife, have the point facing down, and the sharp edge facing back!



And call out, "I'VE GOT A SHARP KNIFE", so everyone is aware of the danger!



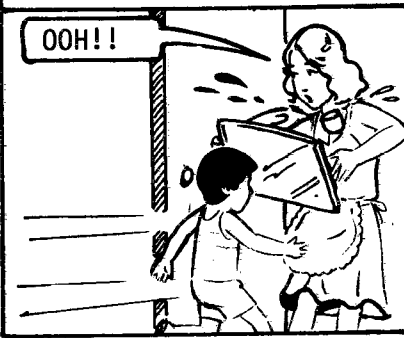
And if you hand it to somebody else, always give them the handle or the blunt edge first, slowly and carefully!



Another very important point is when you're opening a door to go from one room to another--



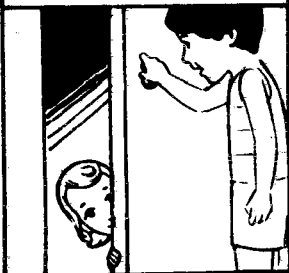
Don't rush or run through the door! You might bump into someone coming the other way!



Don't open or slam the door too suddenly! You may knock someone with it!



Take your time to look before closing a door! Make sure that no one has their fingers in it!



That's what it means when the Lord told us to "walk circumspectly". (Eph.5:15)--Be watchful! Pay attention to the things and people around you in order to avoid accidents!



Better late than never,  
better safe than sorry!



Amen! It's better to be  
a few minutes too late  
down here, than to  
arrive too early up  
in Heaven!--You see?

And don't ever carry anything  
that's too heavy, or too much  
of a strain! You could fall  
and really hurt yourself!



Carry less at one time!  
--Or get some help!

Remember the story of the small boy who was trying very hard to  
lift a heavy object? He was trying too hard in his own strength!



Are you using  
all your strength?

Yes, Daddy,  
everything  
I've got!



But you're not! You haven't  
asked me to help you!

You see, his own  
strength wasn't  
enough! So don't  
be ashamed to ask  
for help!--That's  
using all your  
strength!



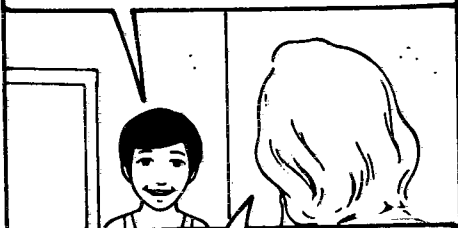
Now, if you're carry-  
ing something and you  
stumble and are about  
to fall, it may be  
safer to drop whatever  
you're carrying!



It's more important  
to save yourself  
than the object  
you're carrying!



Thank you, Grandpa! Those are very good safety tips!



They're good to know so that you can guard against one of the Devil's favourite tricks to get you to go too fast!-- He's the author of haste!



But God is hardly ever in a hurry! He likes to move slowly! So move with God! Go slow!

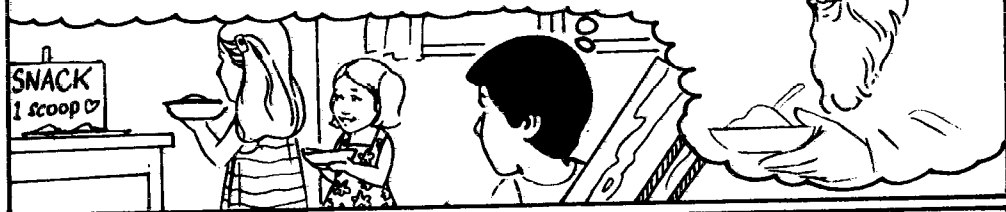
The Devil loves to push and rush you! He always tries to get you in a hurry so you can hurt yourself or make mistakes!



Get some quickly, or there will be none left!

Oh! I'd better finish my job quick!

Well, it doesn't look like there's much snack left, but I'll trust the Lord that He'll save some for me and I'll go ahead and finish this job for Grandpa!



So I learned never to rush, especially when carrying tools for Grandpa and the boys! And I found out that if I put all the tools and handyman supplies away neatly and in order, I could always find them easily and save time without having to rush! Thank You, Jesus!



# SECURITY CHECK!

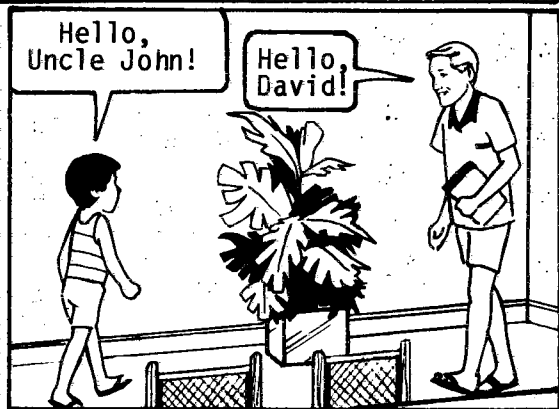


God bless you, children! It's nice to be with you again! Would you like to join us on our early evening (dusk), and late night Security Checks around the house? There's lots to do and learn! I usually help Uncle Alf and Uncle John as they go through the rooms, making sure that everything is safe and protected and that all security materials are diligently locked away for the night. I really like to help on Security!

Oh, it's late and the sun is going down! I've got to meet Uncle John now!



Hello, Uncle John!



Hello, David!

Dear Lord, please bless and keep us now as we do our early evening Security Check. In Jesus' name, amen!



Amen!

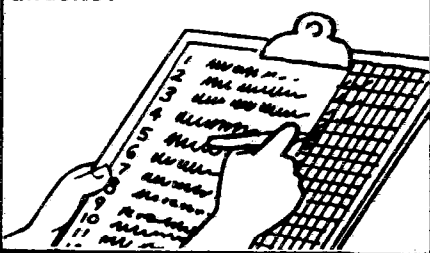
David, would you like to check off the items on our checklist?



Oh yes, Uncle John!



We always carry with us a list of things to check on. Then, as we do our job, we tick off each point to make sure that nothing is left undone.



We also carry a trash bag to collect the security trash from all the rooms. Later, usually the next morning, we burn the security trash.

Let's start up-stairs and work our way back down, shall we?

Yes, Sir!

We can start at this end with Peter's room.

**KNOCK!  
KNOCK!**

Come in!

Good evening, Uncle Peter! Do you have any security trash?

Yes, David! It's right here. Thank you so much!

Is there security trash in that other container over there too?

No, David! This is a separate can that I put only normal trash in!

That's a good idea!

We remind everyone that it's time to close their curtains, so the neighbours can't see in when we turn the lights on.

Hello, Aunt Dora! It's time to close your curtains!

God bless you, David! Thank you for reminding me!

CLICK!

Now I can turn my lights on!

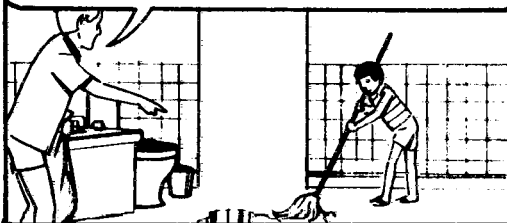
Thank you so much, boys!

Shake! Shake!

You're welcome, Dora!

Doing Security Check means looking out for possible trouble, noticing it before it happens, and doing everything you can to prevent it! So as we do the security rounds, we are always checking for dangers, and often do little repairs on the spot.

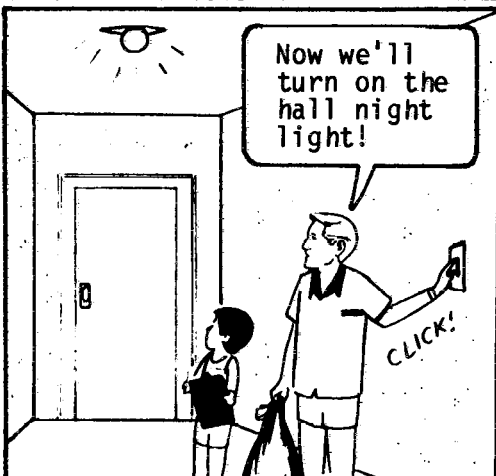
There's a little water spilled here! We'd better mop it up before someone slips on it.



This lamp is in a dangerous position. We should fasten it so it won't fall over!

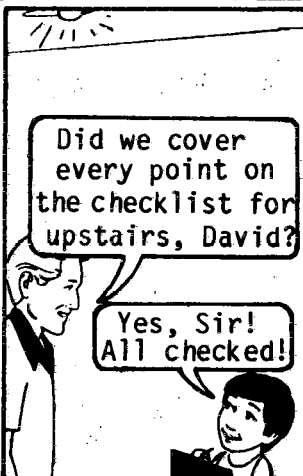


Now we'll turn on the hall night light!



Did we cover every point on the checklist for upstairs, David?

Yes, Sir! All checked!



Okay! Let's check the downstairs area!

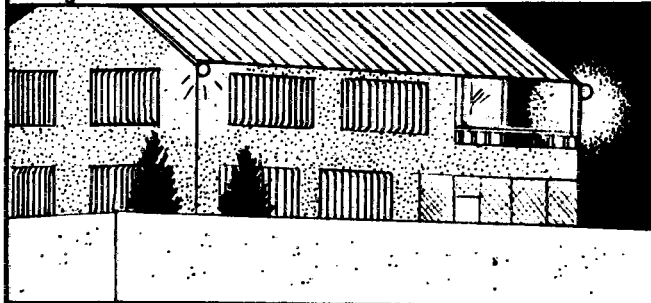


Soon--

There! We got all of the security trash! Now let's lock it up for the night!



By this time the sun is down and it's dark, so we turn on a few lights outside the house. Grandpa says that security lights are like warning prophets, warning thieves that they had better stay away!

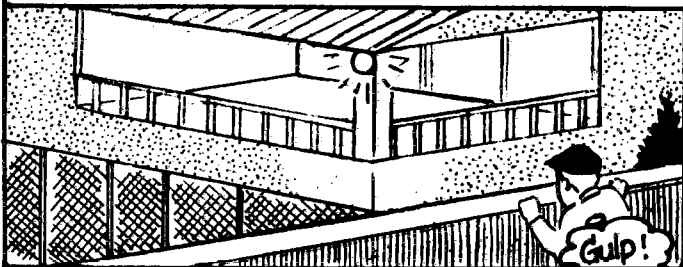


Gulp! We'd better not try to rob this house! It's too well-lighted!

These few outside security lights shed light on the darkest areas around the house, so the family won't have to grope around in the darkness. These lights also discourage thieves that might try to sneak into our yard.

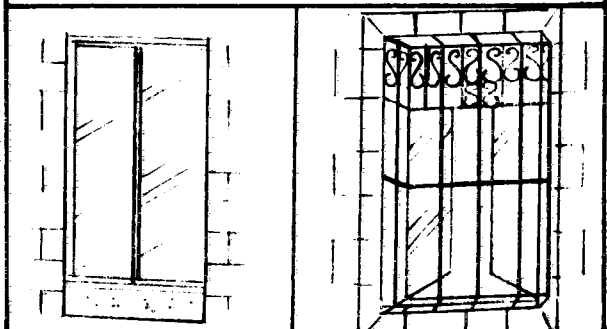


Yeah, we'd be seen for sure!



Thieves are like mosquitoes. The light may attract them, but they don't like to get in the light!

It's also very important to close and lock all the ground-floor windows at dusk, unless they are barred and you need them for ventilation.



Okay, let's check the front door now!

Why is this big flashlight by the door, Uncle John?

There! It's locked and bolted!

Well, Grandpa suggested we always keep a good strong flashlight right here on the floor by the front door. This way we always know just where to find it if the lights should go out or if we need to check and see something outside after dark!



All the inside jobs  
are done now,  
Uncle John!

Good, then  
let's go  
outside  
now!

We'll lock this door  
as we go out and come  
back in the house  
through the porch!

Good! This  
side gate  
is locked.

Here we  
take off  
our house  
shoes and  
put on our  
outside  
shoes.

Click!

Make sure that all the  
doors and gates are  
locked and barred.

David, will you  
please check that  
the Storage Room  
is well-locked?

It is!

Good!

Now let's go check the  
front gate, shall we?

Where should I put the key,  
Uncle John?

Grandpa likes us  
to always make  
sure that the  
keys are left in  
a secure place  
near the door,  
in case there is  
an emergency and  
we all need to  
get out quickly!  
I'll put the  
key on this  
wall ledge here,  
David!

Uh-oh! David,  
please go get the  
can of insecticide!  
We need to spray  
this big trail of  
ants leading to the  
kitchen!

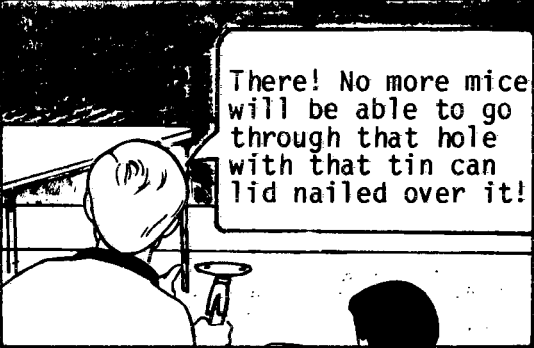
Thanks, David! To  
be sure that you  
don't breathe in the  
poisonous  
spray, you run  
over there, while  
I spray and then  
I'll run away,  
too!

Okay! I'll  
run away now!

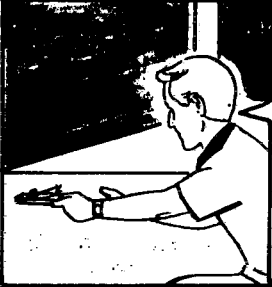


We also spray and cover any holes we find that bugs or mice might crawl through.

We may set up mouse traps, but always in hidden places where the little children can't get at them, and where nobody can step on them accidentally!



There! No more mice will be able to go through that hole with that tin can lid nailed over it!



This is a good corner. I've seen that mouse running around here.

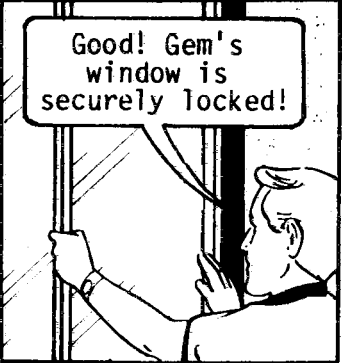
We also bring in anything valuable that should be locked away for the night, or that could tempt very poor people to steal from us if it's in their reach!



We can put this bicycle in the locked garage where it'll be safe overnight!



Look, Uncle John! I found someone's watch out by the side of the pool!

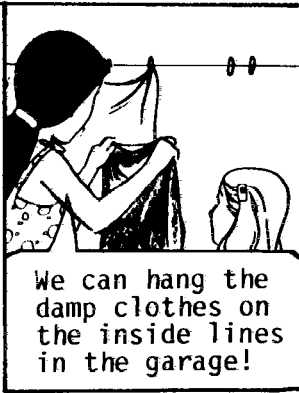


Good! Gem's window is securely locked!

The girls bring in the laundry off the outside clotheslines at dusk.



Here, Honey!



We can hang the damp clothes on the inside lines in the garage!

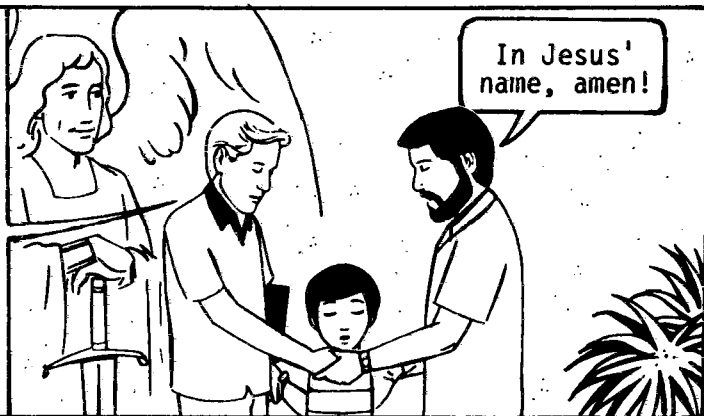


There! Dusk Security is done!

God bless you, boys!

**NIGHT SECURITY:** Later in the evening, before bed, we do a final Security Check. Uncle Alf comes with us on this Check.

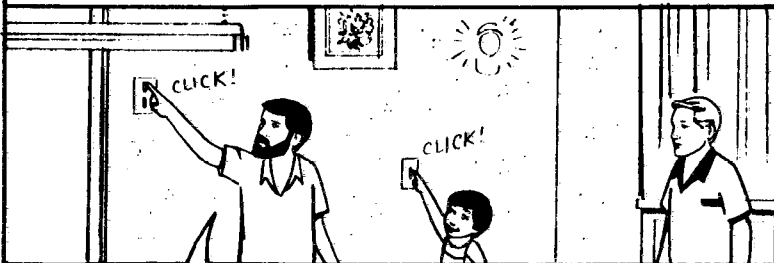
Please bless our Night Security Check, Jesus! We know that You have given Your angels charge over us to protect us. (Psalm 91:11)--But, Lord, help us to cooperate with them! Open our eyes to anything that we need to secure!



David, would you like to check the list as we make our rounds again?

On Night Security Check we turn off all of the bright lights inside the house, which we won't need as we sleep.

Yes, Sir!



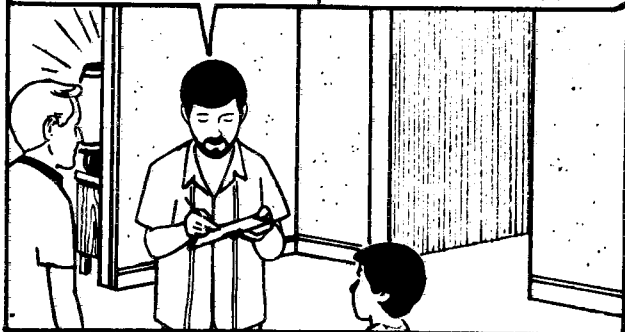
Let's turn off all the neon lights, David! You can turn on the little night light instead.

Grandpa always tries to be very saving on both water and electricity, so whenever we see a light on for no good reason, we should turn it off.

Oh, look! Gem left a lamp on.

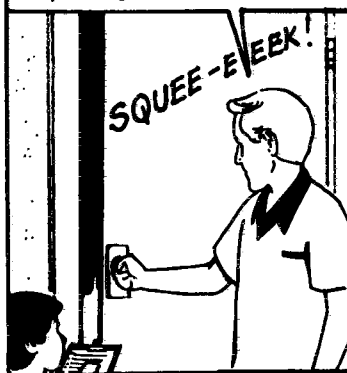
I'll write her a note to remind her that whenever she goes out of the room, she should turn both her lamp and her fan off.

Oh, yes!



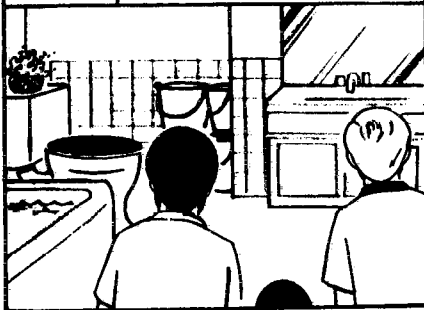


Hmmm! This bathroom door sounds pretty squeaky!



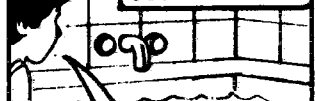
There! A little oil in the joints of that hinge will make the door open quietly again!

We check in the bathrooms to make sure that everyone has enough water for emergency use and that all taps are off.



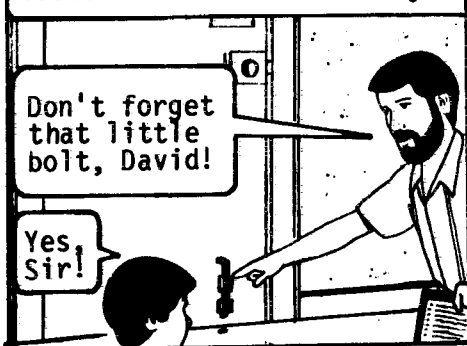
We should re-fill this Survival water container. It's getting low!

If we have a bathtub in the house, Grandpa likes us to keep it full of water just in case there is a water cut--the washbowl too!



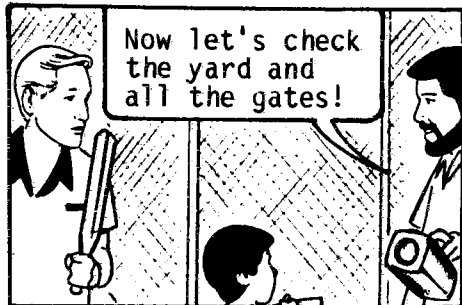
It's better to have it and not need it, than to need it and not have it!

Then we check again to see that all the windows are locked and all the doors are locked and bolted securely.

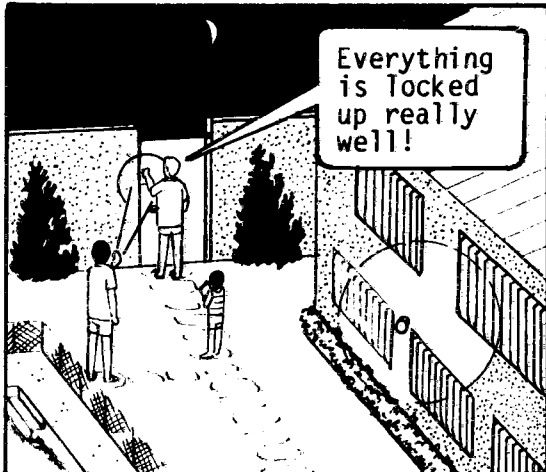


We collect and lock away any security materials that we find lying around.





Now let's check the yard and all the gates!

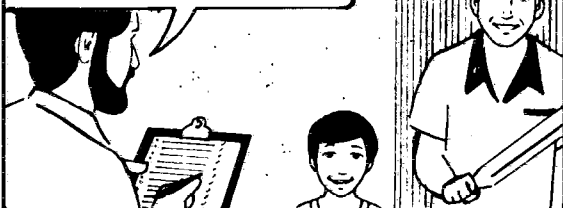


Everything is locked up really well!

Grandpa likes us to carry a flashlight and a big stick in case we have to bonk any pest while outside doing Night Security!

In the end, the person in charge of Security should be 100% sure that everything is safe and locked up as it should be!

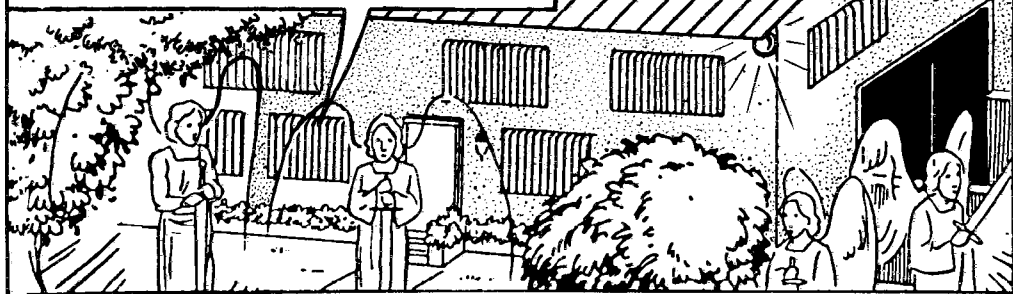
Praise the Lord!  
Everything is done!



Now let's lock up the Security List, and then off to bed we go!

Praise the Lord!

"Except the Lord keep the house, the watchman waketh but in vain." (Psalm 127:1) We believe we did our best, Lord, so now we claim Your supernatural protection and safekeeping for the night! In Jesus' name, amen!



# BURNING SELAH TRASH!

The next day--

David, you're a big boy now. I think you're old enough to help me burn the security trash. Remember, you should always stay away from fires and matches unless you're

Yes, Sir! Uncle Alf, I'm ready to help!

working with an adult, and always let the adult strike the match!

This is a very dangerous and important job, so please help us, Lord, to be extra-careful! In Jesus' name, amen!

Amen!

Let's remember that as we put the trash in the steel drum to burn, that we check through it and take out any batteries, lightbulbs, spray cans, bottles and plastic materials that could explode or give off poisonous fumes when burned!

You can help me to check it, okay, David?

I found a battery, Uncle Alf!

And here's a plastic wrapper!

We need to make an announcement to remind everyone not to throw dangerous items in the burnable trash!

Now we'll burn the trash here in this open space so that there will be nothing nearby that can catch on fire!

That's right!

Remember, David, when you strike a match to start the fire, be sure that you're wearing glasses. Turn your face away so that sparks won't accidentally fly into your eye!

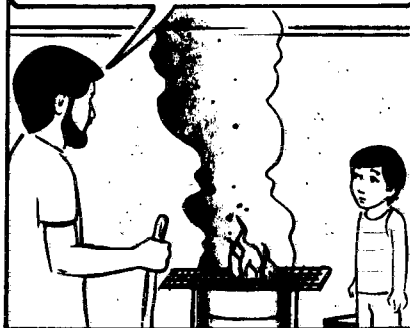
Yes, Sir! Grandpa says that fires are very dangerous! I'll stand back and away!

Grandpa also says to turn the box away from you in such a way that you can't see the matchhead while you're striking it.

Why do you always cover the fire with a screen, Uncle Alf?

That's to keep sparks from flying out and catching things on fire or burning people!

Also, so half-burned pages don't go flying out and come down in our neighbour's yard, and breach our security!



The fire should never be left unattended. We have to always make sure that someone is watching it.

Now that we're sure that every paper has burned, I'll stir the ashes with this stick to make sure that the fire is completely out. Well, did you learn anything new, David?

And we keep a bucket of water handy to put the fire out in case it starts spreading!

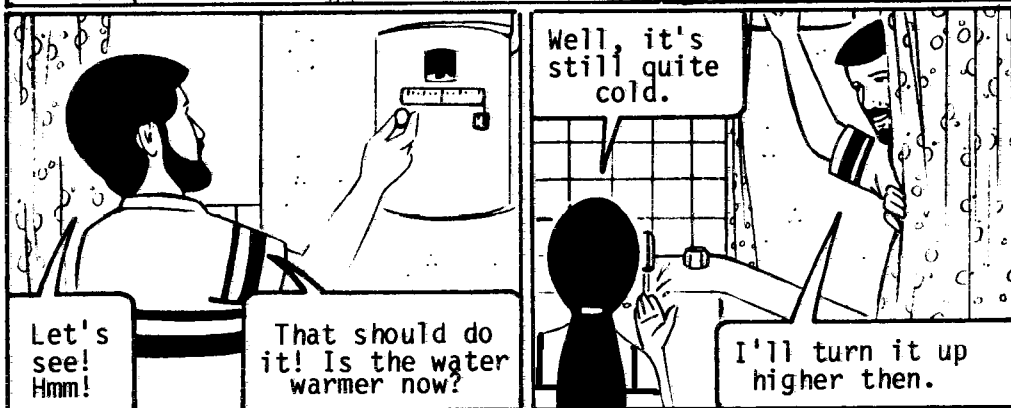
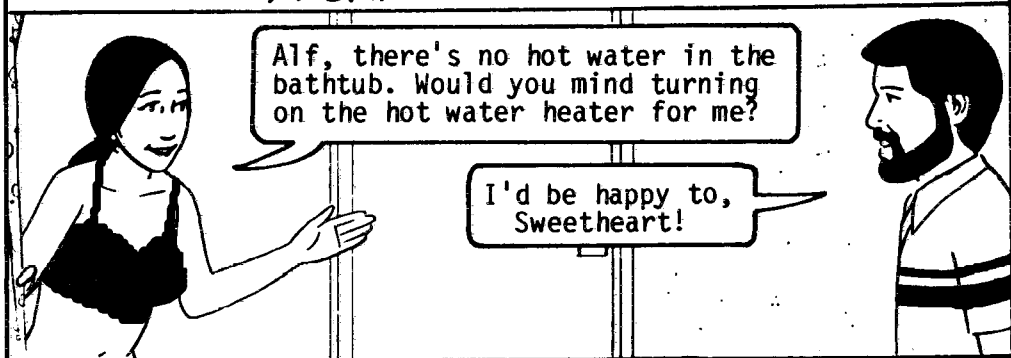
That's right!

Oh yes, thank you, Uncle Alf. We learned good lessons while we had fun working!



# WATCH AND PRAY!

A SAFETY LESSON!



A little later--

Dora, there's hot water in the bathroom if you'd like to take a bath!

Oh, that'd be nice! We could all get in the bathtub together! Would you like that, girls?

Oh yes, Aunt Dora!



Hmmm! The water in the tub feels too cold for the children!

I'll let the hot water faucet run for a while until the water in the tub gets warmer.

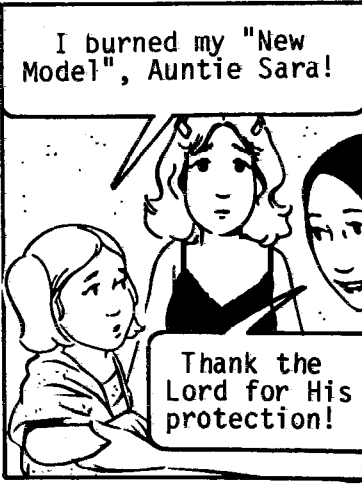
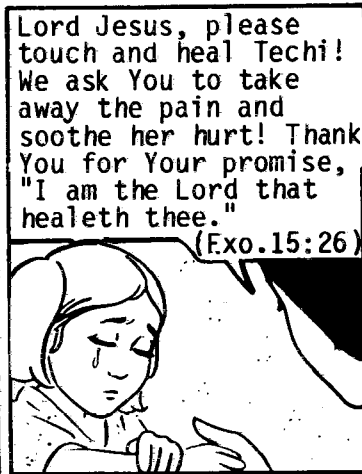
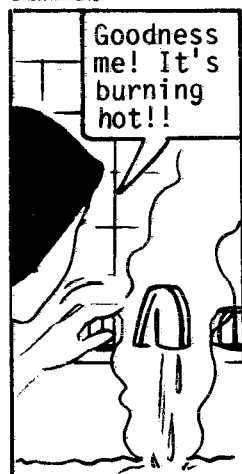
Come on in, Honey, the water is real nice now!

Fun water! Go splash, splash!

Hmmm!

Splash! Splash!

OOUUCH!



Some  
time  
later--

That water must've  
been really hot to  
make Techí cry! If  
water is hot enough  
to hurt somebody or  
even burn them,  
then it's too hot!

I don't want to see any hot  
water in this house unless  
you need to boil some for a  
very very special purpose!

Yes, Sir!

Yes, Sir!

Yes, Sir!

Hot water is very  
dangerous! At what  
temperature did you  
set the heater, Alf?

That's  
scalding,  
blistering  
hot! It's  
hot enough  
to burn!

That's how many System chil-  
dren are injured in homes  
where the water is too hot!  
Thank the Lord Techí didn't  
fall into the stream of  
hot water. She could've  
been badly burned!

I'm afraid  
she'll be  
scarred for  
life!

Dear  
Jesus!

At about 60  
degrees Centigrade!

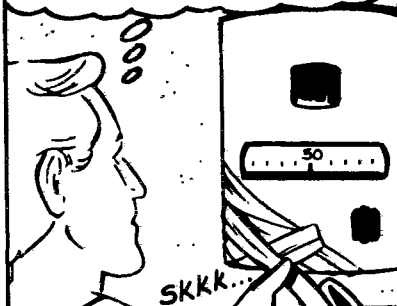
You can be very thankful  
she's safe and sound, but  
you'd better keep praying  
and be extremely careful  
that these things don't  
happen again!

John, I want you to go check the  
temperature in the hot water  
heater in the kitchen and make  
sure it's not one degree higher  
than 50 degrees Centigrade.  
Tape the knob down real tight  
so nobody can move it!

Yes, Sir!

Yes, Sir!  
I'll do it  
immediately!

There! If somebody wants to change the temperature, they'll have a hard time getting the tape off!



Maybe the Lord let this tiny hurt happen to warn us about other things also, and that we need to be far more careful!



We have so few accidents in the Family and so few bad things happen to us, that we can get a little slack and careless.



Well, the Lord may just jerk you up and let it happen, so you don't get prayerless and careless and slothful in safety!

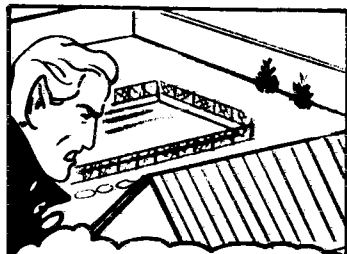


What happened?!

Rosy slipped in that puddle and bumped her head real badly!

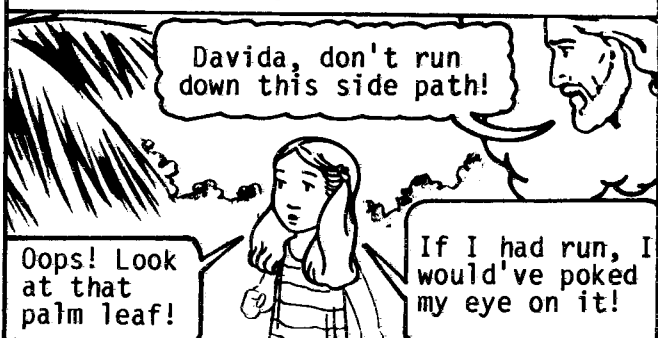


Let me tell you, the Devil is after us! He knows where we live!



What accidents can I cause today?

The Enemy is always on the job, always ready to cause us some harm if we're not watching and praying and listening to the Lord every moment!

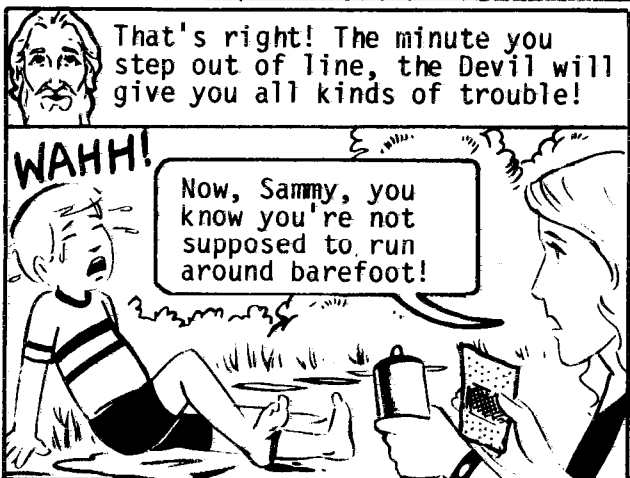
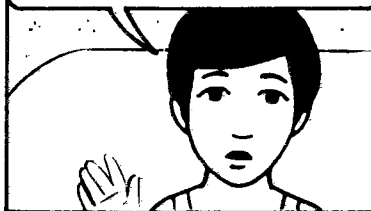


Davida, don't run down this side path!

Oops! Look at that palm leaf!

If I had run, I would've poked my eye on it!

I know a good verse, Grandpa: "Be sober, be vigilant, because your adversary the Devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour!" (1Pet.5:8)

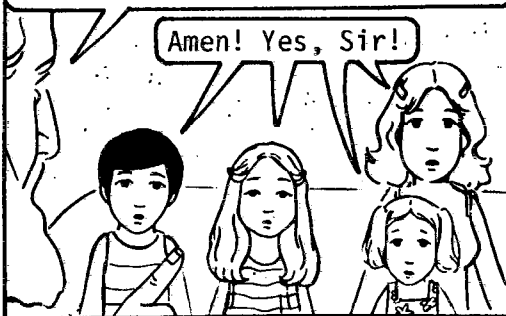


That's right! The minute you step out of line, the Devil will give you all kinds of trouble!

WAHH!

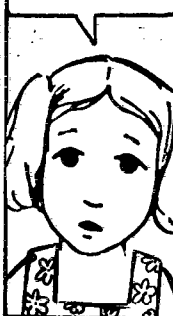
Now, Sammy, you know you're not supposed to run around barefoot!

So don't be lazy! Be extra prayerful! Stay mighty close to the Lord so you don't have any unguarded moments in which the Devil can slip in!



Amen! Yes, Sir!

"Give no place to the Devil!" (Eph.4:27)



Amen! Remember what I've always said about accidents? "Accidents don't just happen! They are caused by our neglect and lack of watchfulness and lack of safety!"



What should we do about accidents?

Right! And how do we do that?

Well, I'm very upset to think that you created a situation where a serious accident could have happened! I hold you adults responsible for this!

We should make it impossible for them to happen!

By avoiding the conditions that cause accidents!

Alf, why did you turn the temperature on the water heater up so high?

I wanted some hot water in a hurry. I really didn't stop to think and pray about what I was doing.

You see, haste makes waste! It doesn't pay to be in a hurry!

It's my fault really-- I asked him to do it!

There! That was quick and easy to do!

It's safer to be slow! Don't forget that, Son!

Dora, what's the very first thing you should have done?

I should have been more prayerful and first run the hot and cold water together before getting into the tub with the children.

There! It's just the right, safe temperature!

Yes, Sir!

Right! And where did you sit in the bathtub?

I sat at the other end of the tub, away from the faucet.

I'm afraid that was the wrong place to sit!

When an adult is taking care of small children in the bathtub, the adult should sit in front of the faucet so the children can't reach it.

Bathing children can be a dangerous job! A baby can drown in 3 inches of water if it falls on its face and can't push itself up.

So be extremely careful and never leave a baby alone in a bathtub, not even for a few seconds, or she could drown!

Thank you for helping me watch her, Tech!

What would we do without Mary Dear?! Oh my!!

Now, we're not going to have hot water any more!--Only warm water!

But if you're in a place where there should happen to be hot water in the faucets, like in restaurants or hotels, you children should never turn on the hot water by yourselves!

Let's let Aunt Dora turn it on, Tech! We might get we try to!

Before getting in the bathtub, always test the water with your finger to make sure that it's not too hot or too cold.

Uh-oh! It's too hot!!

Hot water can not only burn, but it can startle you and make you jerk back quickly and cause an accident. It nearly happened to me once:

Now to wash my hands!

**YEOWW!**

It's HOT!!

I could have fallen and hurt myself badly!

Who can tell me what is the most dangerous room in the house?

The kitchen!

You're right!

And what is the second most dangerous room in the house?

The bathroom!

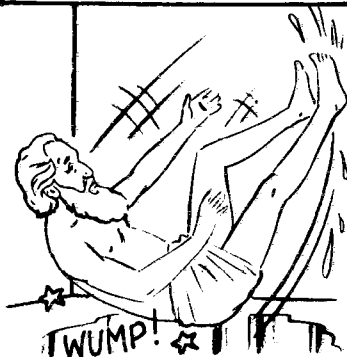
Right!

Except for the kitchen, most home accidents occur in the bathroom. Does anyone know what is the most common bathroom accident?

Slipping?

Yes, slipping!--While getting in or out of the bathtub, or slipping on a wet floor!

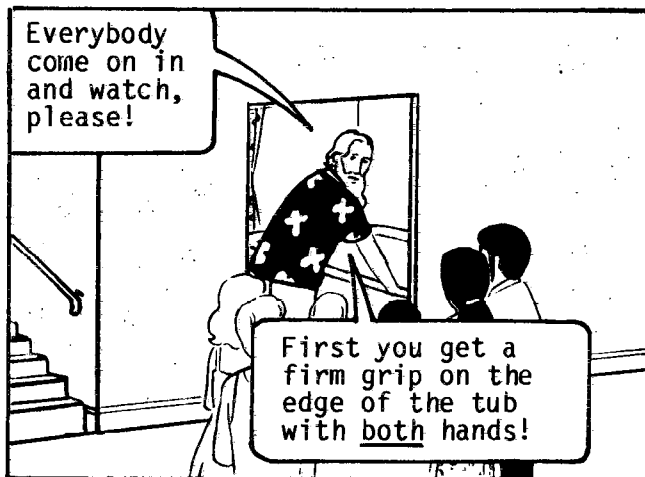
You could fall and break a bone or crack your head!



The bathtub is especially dangerous, so let me show you the safest way to get in and out of a bathtub! Come with me to the bathroom.



Everybody come on in and watch, please!

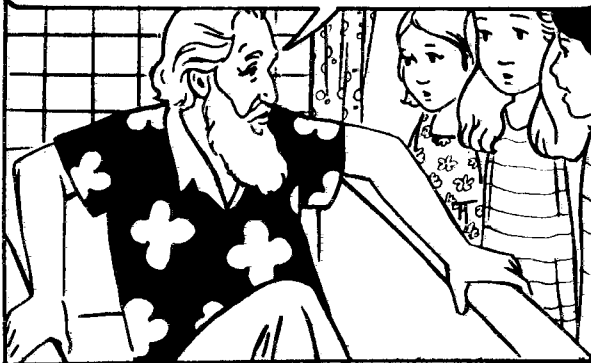


First you get a firm grip on the edge of the tub with both hands!

Then you put one leg into the tub, still holding firmly onto the edge of the tub.



Then you put your other leg into the tub!--And keep holding on firmly until you're safely sitting down!



Don't try to hang onto the towel racks or the faucets! They won't hold you! The thing that you know is going to support you is the side of the tub!

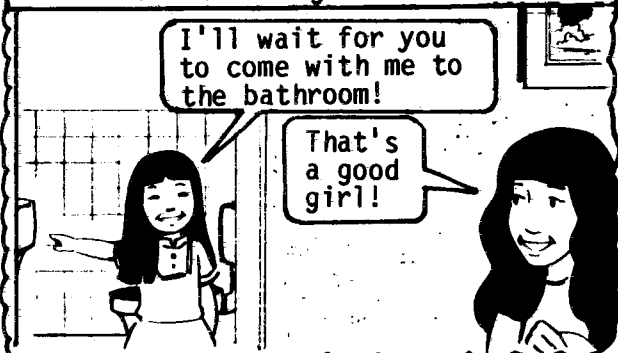


Remember, children, never get into the tub without an adult there to watch you!



Yes, Sir!

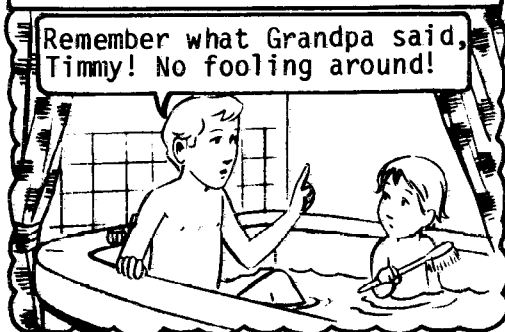
In fact, young children like Mary Dear should never go into the bathroom by themselves. An older brother or sister or an adult should go with them!



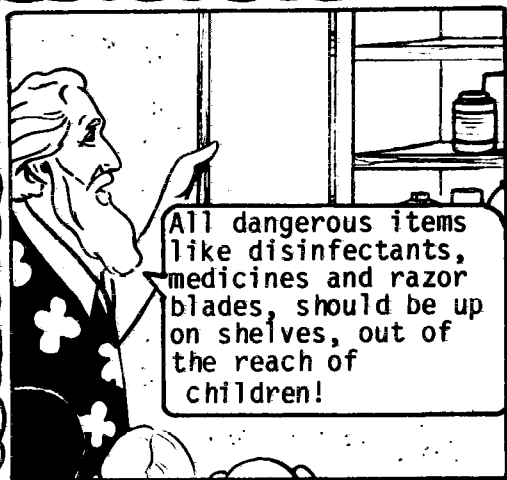
I'll wait for you to come with me to the bathroom!

That's a good girl!

Never fool around in the bathroom, bathtub or shower! It is so, so easy to slip and have a very serious accident!



Remember what Grandpa said, Timmy! No fooling around!



All dangerous items like disinfectants, medicines and razor blades, should be up on shelves, out of the reach of children!

But if an adult does leave any of these things lying around, you children should never, ever touch them! Is that clear?



Yes, Sir!

When you were one year old in Tenerife, David, you almost got very sick from poisoning! Dave had left a can of cleaning fluid on the floor and you picked it up and drank some!



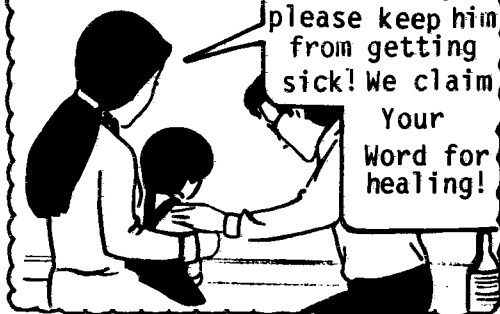
David!!! OH NO!!!

It was a miracle of God that you didn't get seriously ill! Thank the Lord for His protection!

Oh, Jesus, please keep him from getting sick! We claim Your Word for healing!

But the Lord expects us to do our part and be extra careful about safety!

Remember, prevention is better than cure!



It's better to prevent an accident than to have to be healed of one!

Make sure that accidents can't happen, that nothing is in a position to cause an accident! How many times a day do I say that, John?

Right! Always be doubly sure that accidents can't happen!

I'd better tie this loose shoestring or I could trip on it and fall!

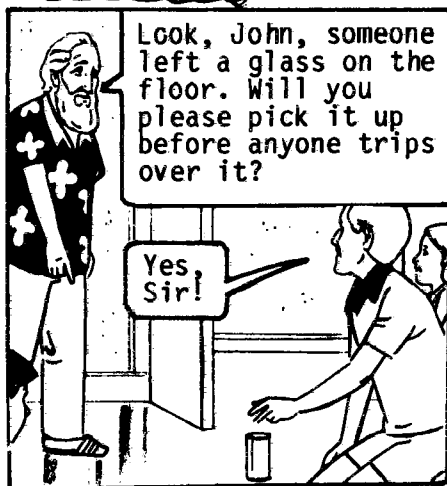


You say it almost every time I see you, Sir!



Look, John, someone left a glass on the floor. Will you please pick it up before anyone trips over it?

Yes, Sir!



And this disinfectant shouldn't be stored in this juice bottle. Someone might drink it, thinking it's juice!



I know another rule, Grandpa. After we get out of the bathtub, we should always mop up any water that may have splashed onto the floor during our bath!

That's a very good point!

Another rule is: We should not play or walk around with a toothbrush in our mouth!

That's right! If you fall, it could ram the back of your throat!

Ouch!!

Oh my!

We've been doing a lot of very serious, dangerous handyman work recently. But thank the Lord that He's kept and protected us and we haven't even had any minor accidents, have we, boys?

Not even a scratch!

That's right!

God has been extra good to us! But you folks must never forget that we are dependent on prayer and on the Lord, and if you start getting careless and not thinking about what you're doing, you could get in serious trouble!

Yes, Sir!

Yes, Sir!

Help this to be a lesson, Lord, to never let anything like this happen again! Help us to be so careful and prayerful and safety-conscious that with Thy help, we make it impossible for accidents to happen! We can't do it without You, Lord!--In Jesus' name, amen!

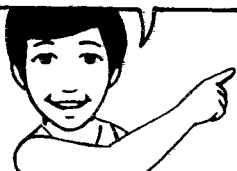
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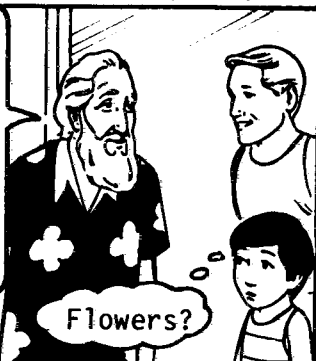
"WATCH AND PRAY!"  
--Amen?

# GRANDPA'S GARDEN!

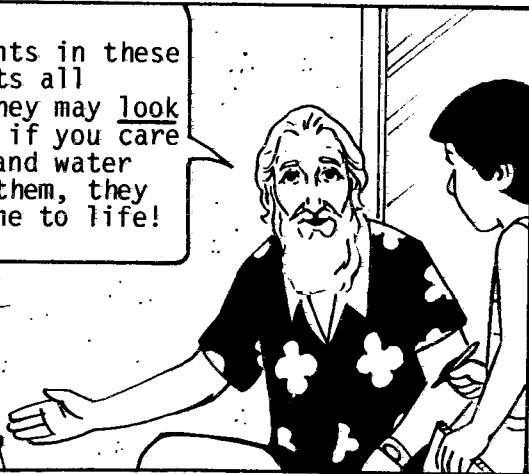
When we first moved into our new house, there was not one living flower to be seen in the garden!



David! Since we can't hire a gardener because of security reasons, I'm appointing you and John as our "home gardeners"! It will be your job to take care of the flowers!

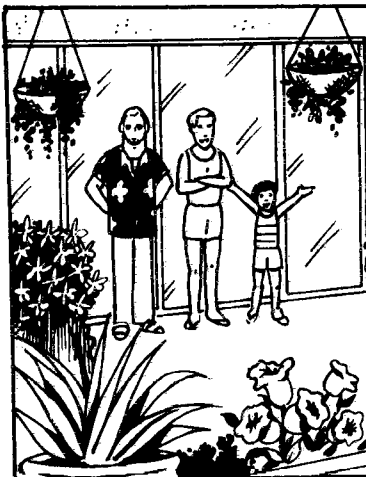


These plants in these little pots all around! They may look dead, but if you care for them and water and feed them, they should come to life!



Due to Grandpa's close, loving shepherding of the plants, and of us boys, in only three weeks---





--The garden was absolutely full of beautiful flowers and blossoms of all types and colours! What a miracle! A little bit of love goes a long, long way!



I wrote down some of the lessons that Grandpa taught me in my Diary, and now I would like to share them with you!



## WEEK ONE:

Every afternoon, about 2 p.m., Grandpa would eat his lunch at the garden table, and watch us working in the yard!



Hello, boys! Are you ready to get to work?

Hello, Sir! Yes, we are!



God bless you! You're doing a wonderful job! The garden is beginning to look much better already!--I'm glad to see you're wearing hats in the hot sun!

Thank the Lord!

We enjoy doing it, Grandpa!



Whoever lived in this house before didn't take very good care of the garden!

Yes! That's why the poor plants have lost their blossoms!--Because of neglect and lack of proper care!



The Bible tells us to "be diligent to know the state of our flocks and look well to our herds".  
(Pro.27:23)



So I'm going to treat these plants as my little flock, and make sure they're cared for properly!

God bless you, Grandpa!

It's part of our job of being good stewards to look after the garden, and keep it nice and clean and tidy! It's also a good testimony to our neighbours!



Jesus, bless these little flowers and help them to grow!

They must be good people! They really take good care of their house and garden!

David, what do you think is the first thing that these plants need?

Water!

Right along with lots of love!

John! Would you please turn on the hose?

Yes, Sir!

There you are, sweet little plant! There's a nice drink for you! I bet you're really thirsty!

**FWOOOOOSH!**

At last! Water!

So this will be your daily job, David!--To faithfully water the plants!

Yes, Sir!

John can water the hanging plants that are too high for you to reach!

Do I water only around their roots?

No, plants also need water to wash their leaves! --A light spray.

**FWOOOOOSH!**

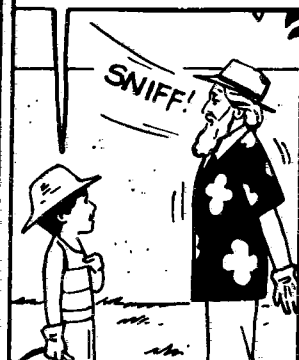
They need to keep their leaves clean! --Just like you need to wash your ears!



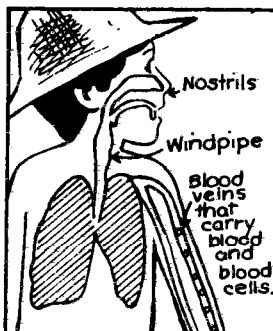
Plants breathe through their leaves, did you know that?



Like we breathe through our nose and mouth?



Yes! Breathe in a nice deep breath!



In order to stay alive, people breathe in fresh air, containing **OXYGEN!**

Blood cells.



C'mon, boys! There's lots of fresh oxygen in his lungs!

Now let's carry this fresh oxygen and some good food to the other parts of the body!

Hello, skin cells! We've brought some delicious fresh oxygen for you!

Oh, goodie! Thank you!

We need this good fresh air in order to live!

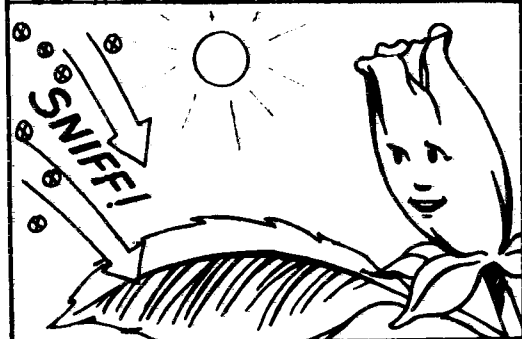
Please, Mr. Blood Cell, can you take away these waste materials? I don't have any use for them!



The waste air you breathe **out** is called "Carbon Dioxide".



Plants do just the opposite from us! During the day they breathe in our waste air, the carbon dioxide!



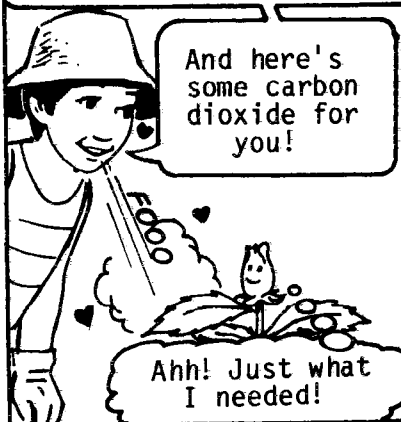
And they breathe out oxygen so that we can have lots of nice fresh air to breathe!



Thank you, little plant!

And here's some carbon dioxide for you!

Ahh! Just what I needed!



Where do they breathe?

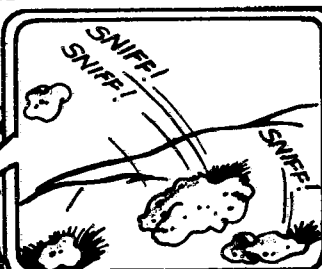


Through little holes in their skin, called "pores"!



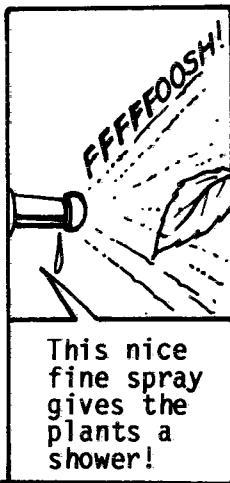
So maybe that's one reason why these plants have been dying! They can't breathe! All the smog and soot and dirt in the air has clogged and stopped up their pores! That's why we have to wash them clean!

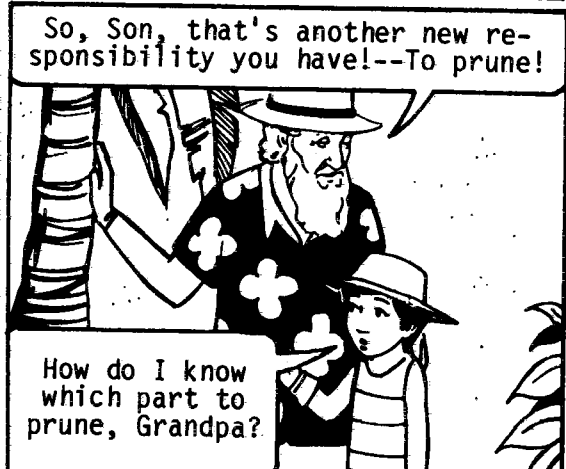
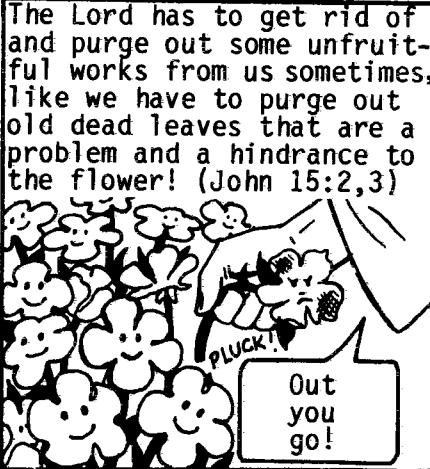
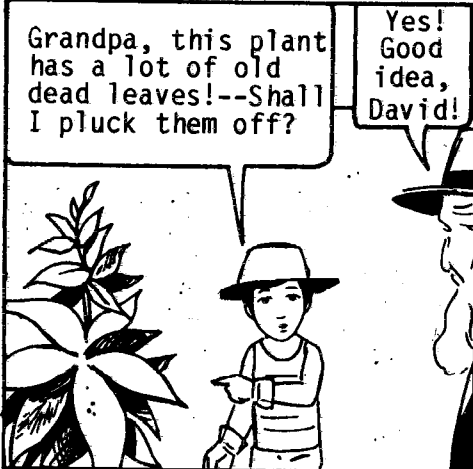
Help!  
Help!



FFFFFOOSH!

This nice fine spray gives the plants a shower!





Do you remember how I said you could tell the difference between weeds and flowers?



You can tell by what the plants look like!

Yes!



If it's beautiful or pretty and looks good, then you let it grow!



These dandelions look so pretty! We'll let them grow!



But if it's ugly, you pull it out!



And that's the same with pruning! Prune any part of the plant that doesn't look good!



Like this old yellow palm frond!



Next, David, I'd like you to please cover each flower pot with a layer of manure!



What's manure, Grandpa?

It's animal dung and it makes good food for plants!

I'll go and get some!



No, John, don't you run and do it! I want David to learn these responsibilities! He's old enough now to do things himself!



Soon--

What will the manure do, Grandpa?

It will add more food to the soil so the plants can grow stronger and healthier!

Here you are, little plant! Here's some nice healthy plant food for you!

Yummy! Yummy! It's so good for me!

But the next day, when we came to water the plants, guess what we saw?

Uh-oh! What happened? Looks like somebody scattered the manure all over the ground!

It was the sparrows!

I saw them from my window!

The little rascals were picking and playing around in it!

Maybe we'll find food here!

This is fun!

I have an idea, David! Why don't you put small pebbles over the top of the manure to stop the birdies from digging into our good soil!

Good idea, Grandpa!

Later--

There!

Sorry, sparrows! Your Heavenly Father will feed you, but we need to take care of our plants too!

Gulp!

Here come the girls for their get-out!

Hello, Grandpa!

My! The garden is looking so much nicer already!

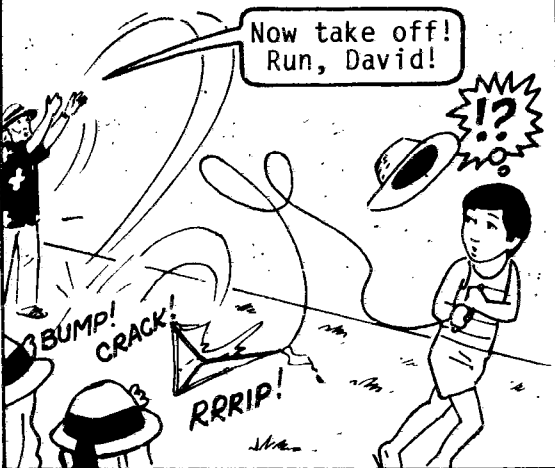
I brought your kite, David!

Thanks, Tech!

Grandpa, I made a kite, just like you explained to me!

Very good, Son! Well, I think we've done enough gardening for one day! So, let's go fly it!

Now take off! Run, David!



Sorry it broke, David! But maybe Alf can buy you a real good kite when he's in town! Then we can have fun flying it together on windy days, God willing! How about that?

Oh, thank you, Grandpa!

Before we go inside, maybe you would like to tell the girls what you learned today, okay?

Yes, we'd like to hear!

I learned that I have to really love the plants and flowers and water them daily, and really be faithful with them!



Yes! We need to take good care of them, like you'd take care of new disciples, or like a mommy takes good care of babies!

You are like God to the plants! And you should take good care of them, like God takes good care of you!

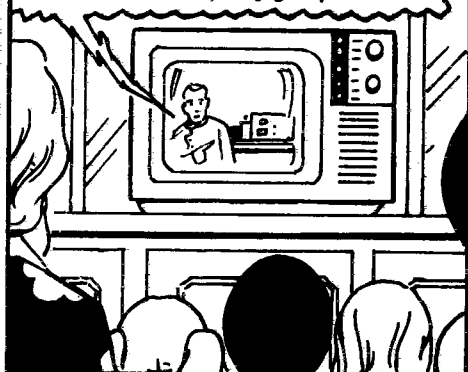




# WEEK TWO:

One lunchtime we watched a very interesting video!

Hello! My name is Cleave Barker! This machine over here is a "polygraph"!



For over 20 years I have been using this machine to prove that plants are able to show feelings such as fear, pleasure and relief!

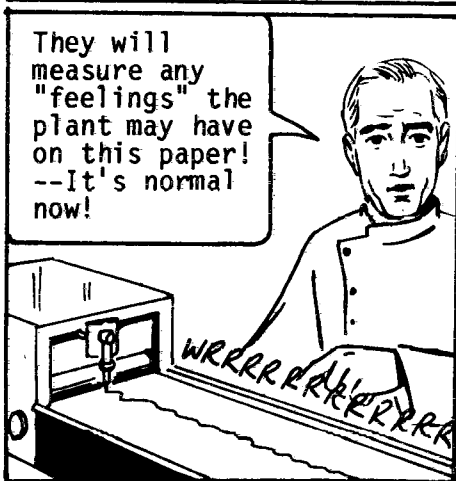
This is an ordinary household plant!--A Philodendron!

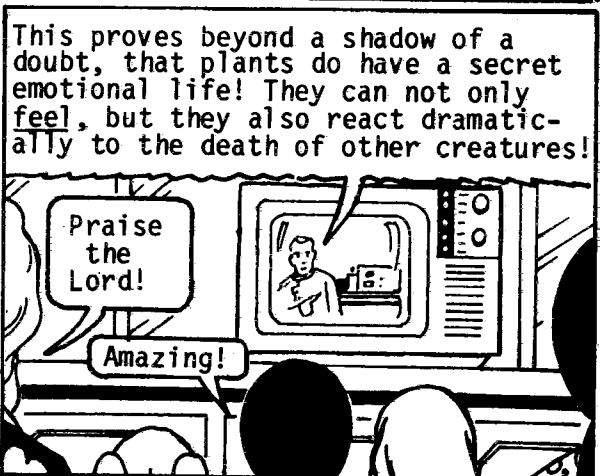
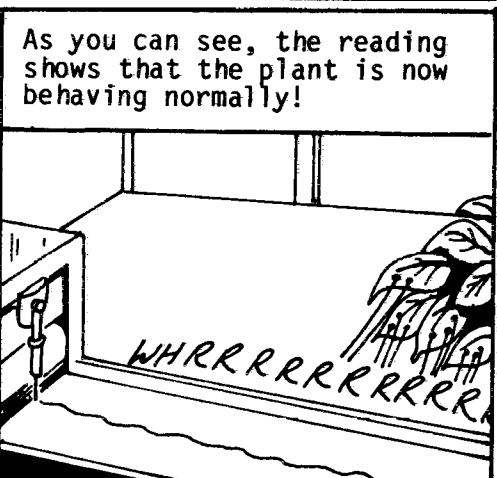
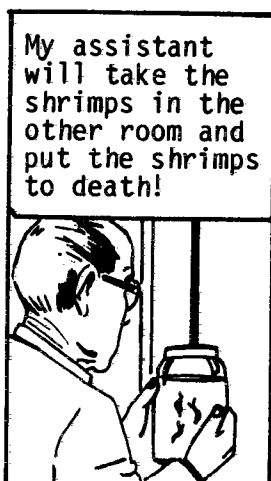
Tiny wires have been placed on its leaves!



They will measure any "feelings" the plant may have on this paper! --It's normal now!

Now, watch as I even just think about burning that leaf with a lit match!





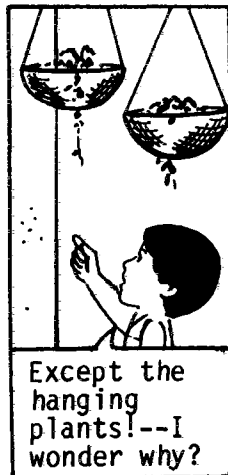
That afternoon Grandpa made his daily check of the garden to make sure that all the flowers were being cared for properly!



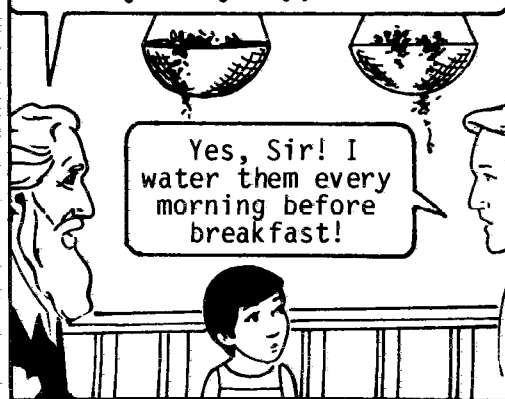
All these little plants that were just bare stems last week, are now budding and springing to life!



See, if a plant can suffer grief and sorrow over the death of a shrimp, it can also feel pleasure if you love and talk nice to it!



Are you watering them faithfully every day, John?



Hmm!--I guess we need to know a little more about plants and horticulture!



Not "horse"--but horti-culture!--It means the art of growing a garden of flowers or vegetables or fruits.

Just look at the variety of plants God has made! If we knew what God knows, which we will one day soon, we would know what each one of them is for!

Let's check the plants on the porch, shall we?

Yes, Sir!



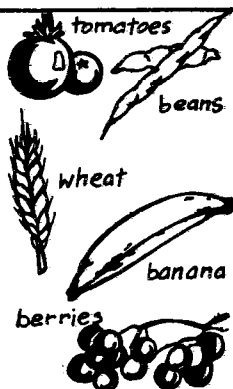
We know what some of them are for. A lot of the flowers are just to look and smell pretty! Some flowers are used in the making of perfume and honey!



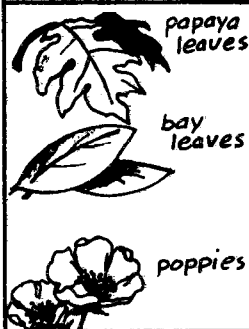
Some plants are food for different animals!



Some are food for humans!



A lot of them are herbs and used for natural medicines!



That's one of the things we're going to want to learn in the Millennium!--The reasons that God made all these different things.

Today's lesson is about the wonder of roses!



Honey, it's not safe or clean to sit on that dirty step! It's about as dirty as the ground and you could get worms!

Oh! Yes, Sir!



Anyway, that's enough of all this chin waggin'!--It's time to get to work!



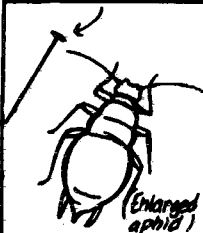
Excuse me, Sir! I think we have a problem over here!--



This plant has aphids!

What are "aphids", Grandpa?

Aphids are bad little tiny insects that damage plants, each about the size of a pin head!



They're a very serious pest! They not only stop the plant from growing, but they also harm the leaves, buds and flowers! They suck the food from the plant, and if eaten on unwashed vegetables can

make you sick!



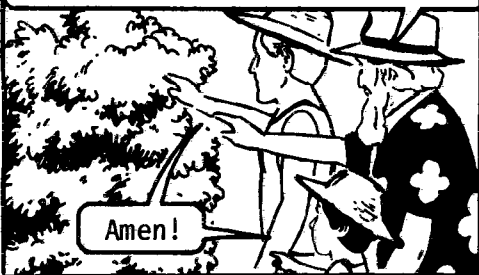
I could get some bug spray when I go to town!



Thank you, John! --But in this case I feel led to have us pray these bugs away! Prayer changes things!



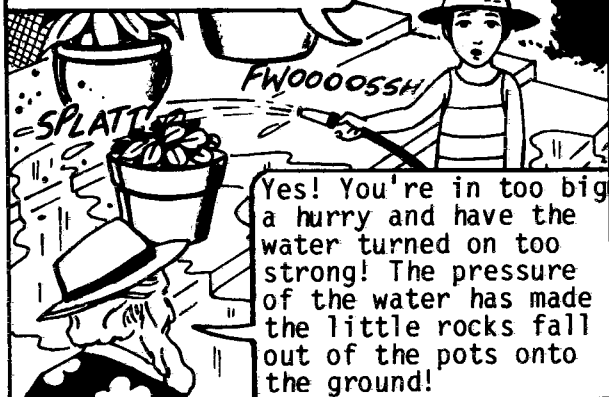
Jesus, we pray that You will save this plant that's dying, and rebuke these little devil's pests! I pray that You'll take these aphids away! In Jesus' name!



Grandpa took his time daily to teach and train me in every little detail of being faithful and diligent!



I think I was watering too fast!



Yes! You're in too big a hurry and have the water turned on too strong! The pressure of the water has made the little rocks fall out of the pots onto the ground!

Remember, David!--It's better to do it right than to do it quick!

I'm sorry, Grandpa!



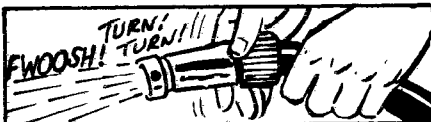
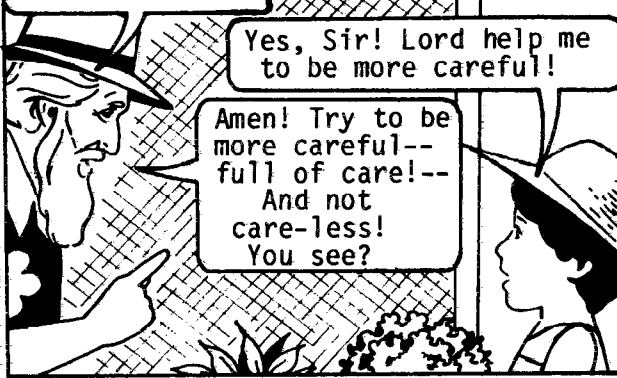
You see, you also waste water by sloshing it from one pot to another!



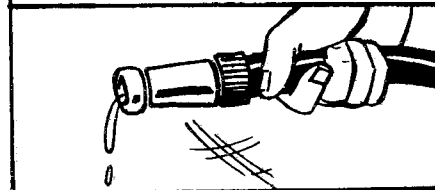
Water is a very precious need all around the World, and we need to learn not to waste it!

Yes, Sir! Lord help me to be more careful!

Amen! Try to be more careful-- full of care!-- And not care-less! You see?



One way to save water is by closing the spout at the end of the hose while you move the hose from one pot to another.

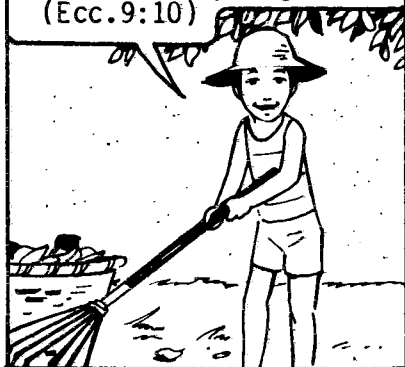


Then you can open it up again when you're holding it over the next pot!

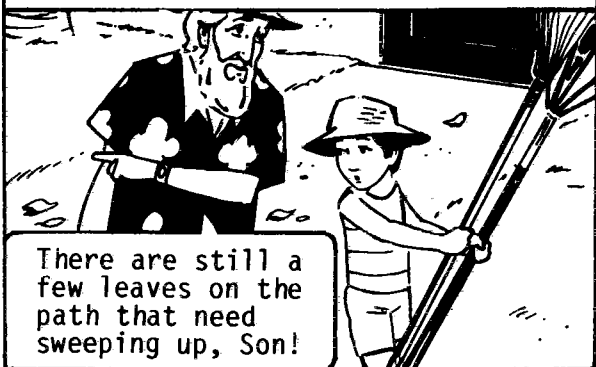


Other good lessons I learned were to be responsible, on time, and to do my jobs wholeheartedly and prayerfully!

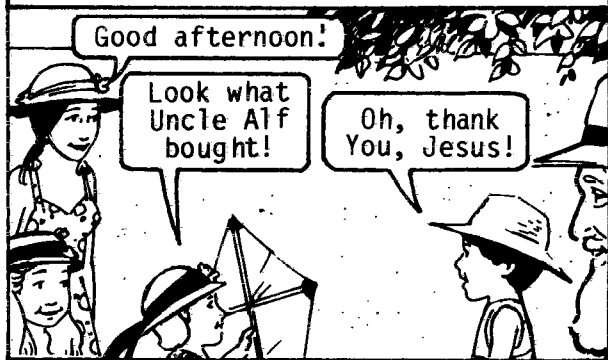
"Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with all thy might!"  
(Ecc.9:10)



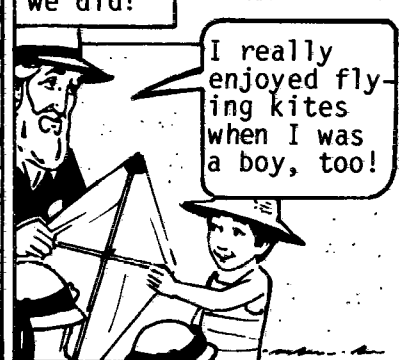
Whenever I would not do a good job, Grandpa would call me back and have me do it again!



Part of my special time with Grandpa in the garden every day was spent just having fun together!



Grandpa taught me how to fly the kite! And he had just as much fun as we did!



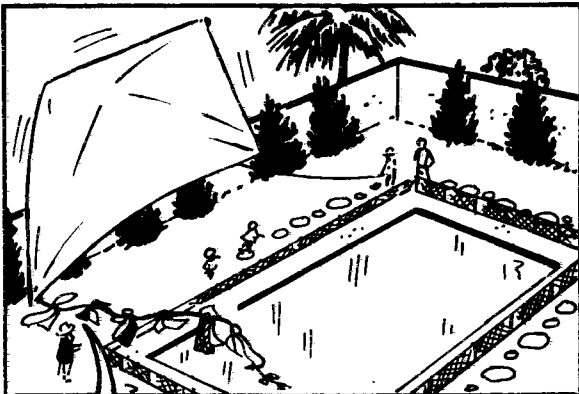
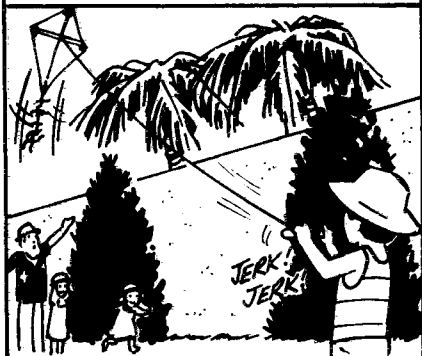
The tail is necessary to control the kite in the wind! Tails can be made from strips of rags!



To start it flying, the person holding the kite throws it up in the air, while the other person flying the kite runs, pulling the string!



Jerk the string back and forth to get it started going up!



Now let the string out when the wind comes! Good boy! That's it!

That week at Sunday Fellowship, Uncle John made a confession!

I'd like to ask for prayer for the hanging plants that I'm responsible for.



Grandpa couldn't understand why all the plants that David waters are all flourishing and blossoming and "happy"!



But my plants are all drooping and wilting and "sad"!

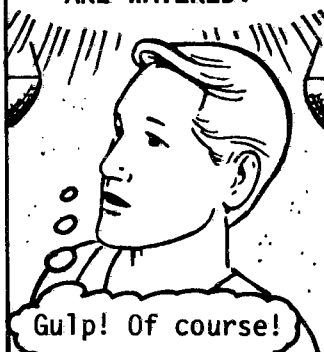


And so I prayed and asked the Lord!



Please show me why, Jesus! My plants get the same amount of water and manure and sun!--So why is there this difference, Lord?

THE DIFFERENCE IS NOT IN WHO WATERS THEM BUT HOW THEY ARE WATERED!

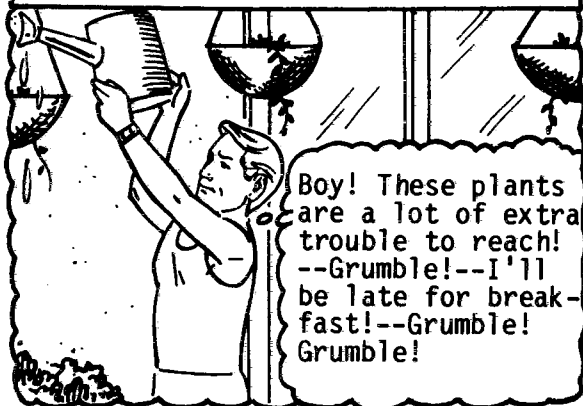


Gulp! Of course!

I realised that because I water the plants first thing in the morning, I'm in a hasty spirit to get it all done before breakfast!



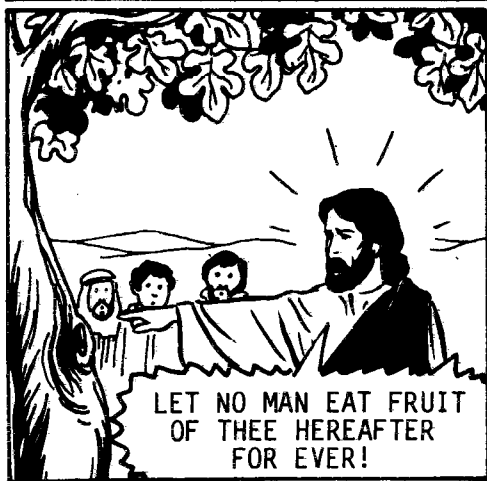
And last, and most difficult of all, are the hanging plants!



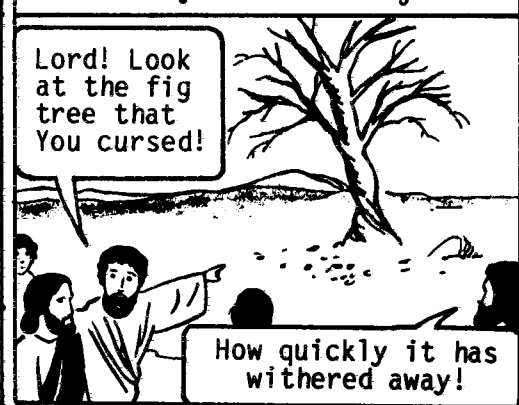
Then I remembered what Grandpa said after we saw that video about plants having feelings! Grandpa said it's really important to love and be kind to the plants!--That's how David cares for his plants!



The Lord also reminded me of the story in the Bible about the fig tree! (Matthew 21:19,20)



A short time later they came back by that same way!



Amen! Jesus actually cursed the fig tree and it withered! That's a very good example of how plants can react to what people say and think about them!



It also shows that Jesus doesn't think much of unfruitfulness!



I'm so sorry! - believe my plants are good plants! They don't deserve to be cursed!--So the Lord showed me it is my fault they are withered!

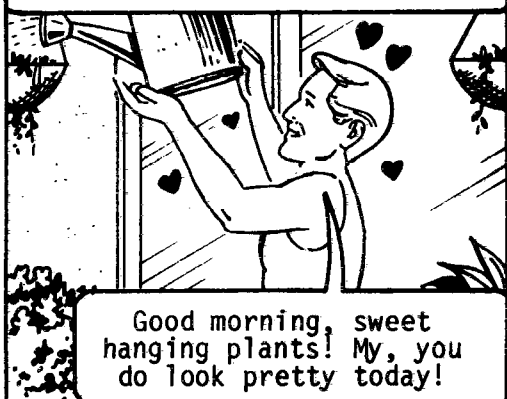


The happy ending is that Uncle John asked for group prayer for his hanging plants!



Lord Jesus, please help John be more sweet and loving to the plants!

And he began to water them more slowly and lovingly!

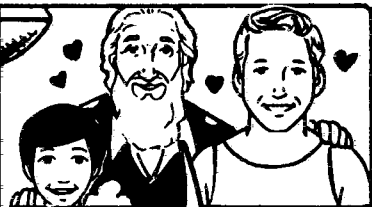


Good morning, sweet hanging plants! My, you do look pretty today!

And just two days later the wilting plants had grown little green leaves and flowers!



Look! Now they're "smiling" at us, just like all the others!



Think of it! Those plants can actually read your minds and sense your feelings if you really love and admire them! And this helps them to flourish! Isn't that amazing!



## WEEK THREE:

Grandpa! Look what's happening to the aphids!

The Lord has sent along a swarm of ants to take them all away! Look!



How about that!

That's a miracle!  
One of God's natural miracles!

Thank You Jesus for taking away the aphids!

The next day--

Now please heal up this poor plant, in Jesus' name!

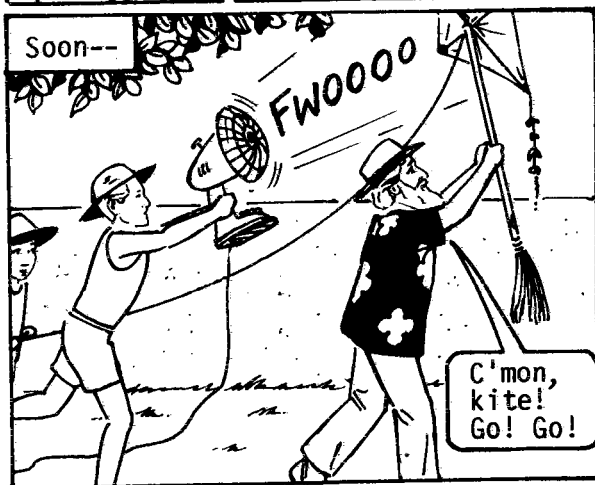
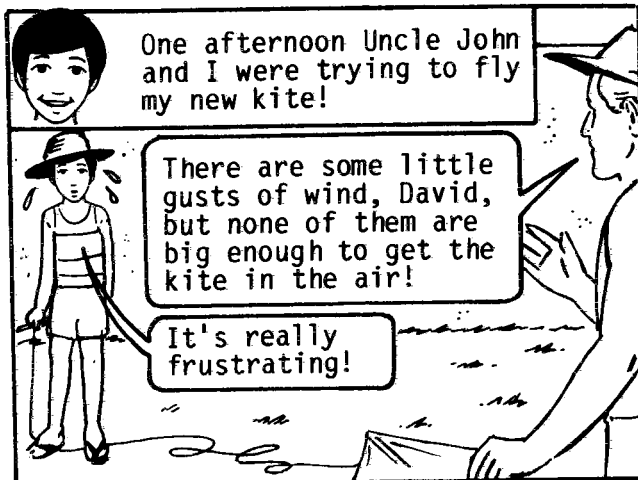
Praise the Lord!  
The plant was dying, but now it's coming back to life!

See, David? You are like God to the plants! You can even raise the nearly dead and dying!

Thank You, Jesus! That's really a good lesson on prayer!

Yes! Praise the Lord!

It shows how our prayers can really do mighty things!



David, have you watered the plants yet?

No, Sir! I've swept and picked up the leaves, but I haven't watered!

Well, maybe the Lord wants you to water the lawn and plants first, and then He'll send the wind!



Grandpa helped me set up the new sprinkler to water the lawn!

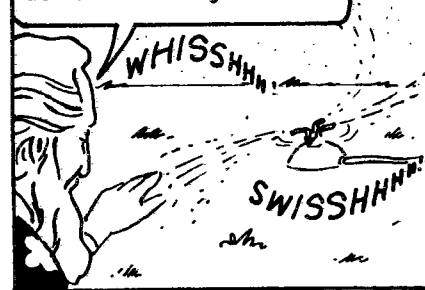
There! It's ready! Now let's turn the water faucet on!



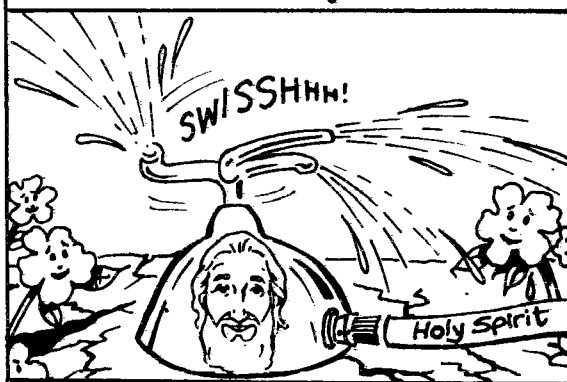
I love to hear it! Can you hear it, David? Every time it whishes around I know it's spreading the water of life!



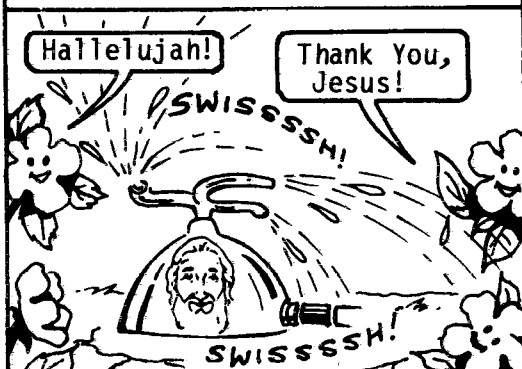
Bless our sprinkler, Lord! It's a fountain to water the thirsty! I'm feeding the Lord's creations with His water!--Just like I do the Family!



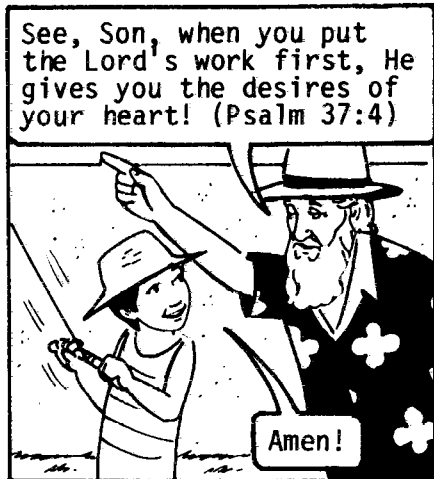
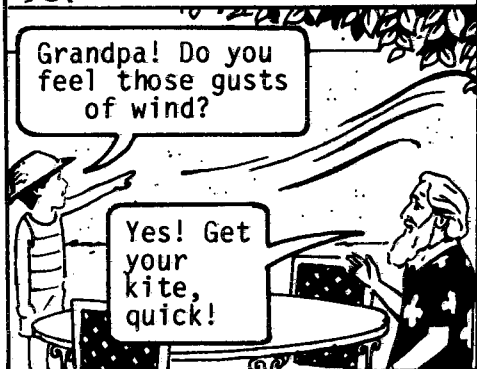
The Lord made me an Aquarian, a waterbearer! I like to sprinkle water on the thirsty!



The water of His Word has saved them from dying, and brought them back to life!



Right away after I finished watering, guess what happened?

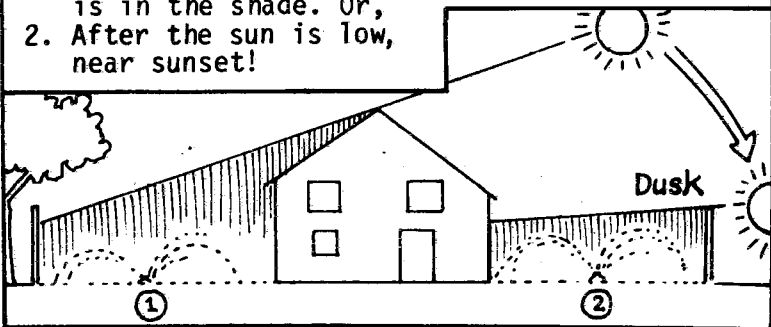


Grandpa had me testify that night at dinner of this good lesson I learned of putting the Lord's work first!  
(Mt.6:33)



P.S. You should never water your lawn in the heat of the day, or the sun will burn the grass! The best time to water is:

1. When the part of the lawn you want to water is in the shade. Or,
2. After the sun is low, near sunset!



When Grandpa would sometimes wake up very early in the morning, he liked to sit by his window and look at all the pretty flowers in the yard!



One time the Lord gave him the verse--

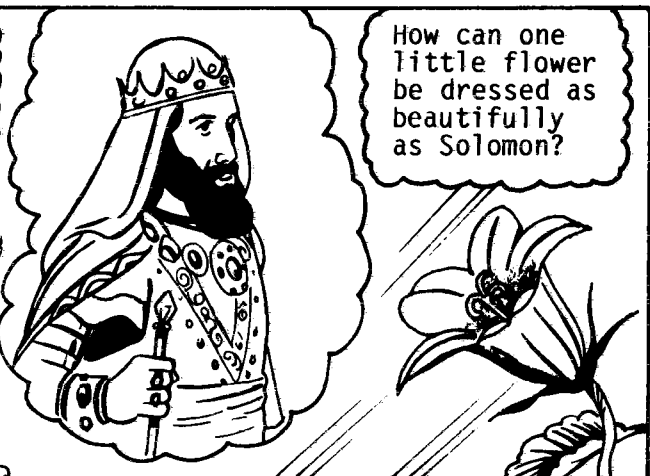
**EVEN SOLOMON IN ALL HIS GLORY WAS NOT ARRAYED LIKE ONE OF THESE!**  
(Matthew 6:29)



But Lord, King Solomon was the richest man in the world! He wore gold and jewels, and all the most beautiful robes and garments there ever were!



How can one little flower be dressed as beautifully as Solomon?



**BECAUSE GOLD AND SILVER IS ALL DEAD AND COLD, BUT A FLOWER IS A BEAUTIFUL LIVING THING!**



Grandpa taught us all to "look and live" and take time to appreciate the Lord's beautiful handiwork!



The Lord said to "consider the lilies and to behold the sparrows"! (Mat.6:26,28) So that's why I love to sit here and meditate on the beautiful flowers and the sparrows in our garden!

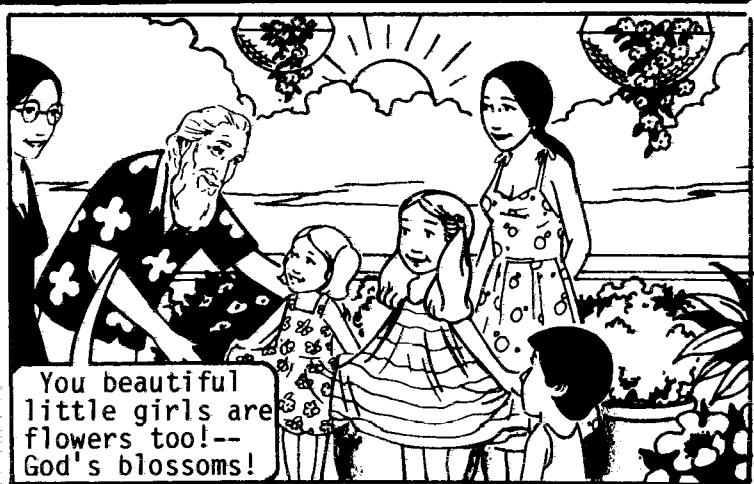
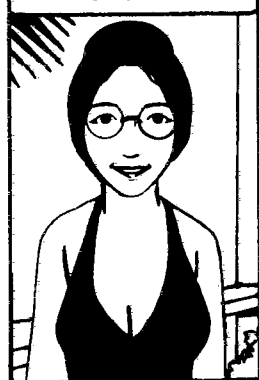


How beautiful the Lord made His creation for us to enjoy!

There's nothing more beautiful than what God has made--these gorgeous flowers and birds and the mountains and the sky and the clouds!



And look at our beautiful women!



You beautiful little girls are flowers too!-- God's blossoms!



The plants are really thriving! --And after only three weeks!

My goodness! I never saw the like!

I'm just dumb-founded at how they're getting so big! They're going to almost crowd us out of our porch and yard!



And all growing out of just these pots!



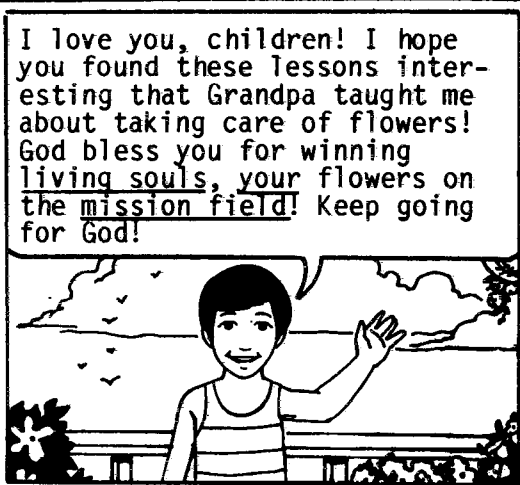
Thanks to the Master Gardener, the Lord, and you, His helpers! You've done a wonderful job!

Praise the Lord! It's been so much fun!

We couldn't have done it without your help, Grandpa!



Thank You, Jesus! When I see how God takes such good care of the flowers and the birds, I know He loves us and will take good care of us!



I love you, children! I hope you found these lessons interesting that Grandpa taught me about taking care of flowers! God bless you for winning living souls, your flowers on the mission field! Keep going for God!