

The Gate
(An open door to Jesus)

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You have a past and a future, DON'T allow your past to steal your future.

Enjoy YOUR life

**Autumn leaves are falling
A falling unto the ground
Lots of scrunchy sounds alike
Heading all around**

**Children having lots of fun
With mum and dad outside
The laughter from their children
Makes you glad to feel alive.**

God is Good

A Word from Pastor Bob

Let's Have Some Good News!

Most of the "news" that we hear or see in the media falls into the "bad news" category and while it is important that we are aware of things happening in the world around us so that we can pray for people and situations, these things do tend to depress rather than to build up.

As Christians we have the most amazing "good news" to share with people, Jesus has saved us and set us free from our old lives, many of us have received either physical or emotional healing. Many of us have seen miracles of provision and the turning around of our personal circumstances. These are wonderful testimonies to share with the people we encounter in our daily lives but they are also so encouraging to others in our church family. So do share your "good news" with all of us, it does make a difference! Hebrews 10 v 24-5 says this in "The Message" version of the Bible:

"Let's see how inventive we can be in encouraging love and helping out, not avoiding worshipping together as some do but spurring each other on, especially as we see the big Day approaching."

A Note from the Editor

A very happy day to YOU! May the Lord bless you and keep you this and every new day. May He keep you in His tender care and be Gracious unto YOU! May He make His Face to shine upon YOU and give YOU His Peace.

And that is my prayer for YOU this new day and everyday.

In Jesus Name. Amen

Close Your Eyes

After my mum died, as a child of 10 years old, I used to walk home with my dad holding his hand and keeping my eyes closed. It was fun. I trusted him completely that I would not fall over I knew that I was safe in my dad's hands.

It is the same as Our Father He holds your hand and guides you gently along the life path of your life. He encourages you, He whispers softly in your inner self, He never rushes you, He allows you to take the time to get to know Him personally because in John 15 v 5 Jesus says... "I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in Him He it is that bears much fruit, for apart from Me you can do nothing" (ESV).

I used to wonder in the beginning of my walk with Christ Jesus many years ago as to why we close our eyes when we pray I now realise that its not to fall asleep ha! ha! It is because of distractions and you don't have to look very far to see that distractions are all around us.

Closing our eyes, also for me it is a time of quietness I know this must sound silly, but for some reason it works as closing my eyes gets me to "see".

Something for you to think about.