

JUNE 2020

Spring Hill Church

BLUE ROSES

Having four visiting family members, my wife was very busy, so I offered to go to the store for her to get some needed items, which included light bulbs, paper towels, trash bags, detergent and Clorox. So off I went.

I scurried around the store, gathered up my goodies and headed for the checkout counter, only to be blocked in the narrow aisle by a young man who appeared to be about sixteen-years-old. I wasn't in a hurry so I patiently waited for the boy to realize I was there. This is when he waved his hands "

It was obvious now, he was mentally challenged and also startled as he turned and saw me standing so close to him, waiting to squeeze by. His eyes widened and surprise exploded his face as I said, "Hey Buddy, what's your name?"

"My name is Denny and I'm shopping with my mother," he responded proudly.

"Wow." I said, "that's a cool name; I wish my name was Denny, but my name is Steve."

"Steve, like Stevarino?" he asked.

"Yes," I answered. "How old are you Denny?"

"How old am I now, Mommy?" he asked his mother as she slowly came over from the next aisle.

"You're fifteen-years-old Denny; now be a good boy and let the man pass by."

I acknowledged her and continued to talk to Denny for several more minutes about summer, bicycles and school. I watched his brown eyes dance in excitement, because he was center of someone's attention. He then abruptly turned and headed toward the toy section.

Denny's mom had a puzzled look on her face and thanked me for taking the time to talk with her son. She told me that most people wouldn't even look at him, much less talk to him.

I told her it was my pleasure and then I said something I have no idea where it came from, other than by the prompting of the Holy Spirit. I told her that there are plenty of red, yellow and pink roses in God's Garden; however, "Blue Roses" are very rare and should be appreciated for their beauty and distinctive-

ness. You see, Denny is a Blue Rose and if someone doesn't stop and smell that rose with their kindness, then they've missed a blessing from God.

She was silent for a second, then with a tear in her eye she asked, "Who are you?"

Without thinking I said, "Oh, I'm probably just a dandelion, but I sure love living in God's garden."

She reached out, squeezed my hand and said, "God bless you!" and then I had tears in my eyes.

May I suggest, the next time you see a BLUE ROSE, whichever differences that person may have, don't turn your head and walk away. Take the time to smile and say hello. Why? What a difference a moment can mean to that person or their family.

From an old dandelion!

Live simply.

Love generously.

Care deeply.

Speak kindly.

Leave the rest to the powers that be.

PRAYER REQUESTS:

- TOMMY
- TOMMY'S FAMILY
- MAXINE
- SHARON
- RICKY & RENEE
- APRIL P
- JR. & JANIE
- ANITA
- ASIAN MISSION
- THE CHURCH
- THE ADDICTS
- CALEB
- DALE & DONNA
- THE LOST
- THE SICK
- THE NEEDY
- THOSE ON PRAYER BOARD
- CHILDREN'S CHURCH



THE LORD'S PRAYER

OUR FATHER, WHICH ART IN HEAVEN,
HALLOWED BE THY NAME.

THY KINGDOM COME.

THY WILL BE DONE IN EARTH,

AS IT IS IN HEAVEN.

GIVE US THIS DAY OUR DAILY BREAD,

AND FORGIVE US OUR TRESPASSES,

AS WE FORGIVE THEM THAT TRESPASS AGAINST US.

AND LEAD US NOT INTO TEMPTATION,

BUT DELIVER US FROM EVIL.

FOR THINE IS THE KINGDOM,

THE POWER, AND THE GLORY,

FOR EVER AND EVER. AMEN



Honour thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee. *Exodus 20:12*

KNOW YOUR WORTH

Before he died, a father said to his son; "Here is a watch that your grandfather gave me. It is almost 200 years old. Before I give it you, go to the jewelry store downtown, tell them that I want to sell it, and see how much they offer you."

The son went to the jewelry store, came back to his father, and said; "they offered \$150.00 because it's so old."

The father said: "Go to the pawn shop."

The son went to the pawn shop, came back to his father, and said; "The pawn shop offered \$10.00 because it looks so

worn."

The father asked the son to go to the museum and show them the watch.

He went to the museum, came back, and said to his father; "The curator offered \$500,000.00 for this very rare piece to be included in their precious antique collections."

The father said; "I wanted to let you know that the right place values you in the right way. Don't find yourself in the wrong place and get angry if you are not valued. Those that know your value are those who appreciate you, don't

stay in a place where nobody sees your value."

Know your worth.



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SUNDAY WORSHIP 11AM
SUNDAY NIGHT 6PM
WEDNESDAY NIGHT 7:30PM

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*Make sure you
test positive for
Faith. Keep
distance from
Doubt, and
isolate from
Fear. Trust God
through it all.*

