



And Also With You

AUGUST 2017

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AUGUST

SUNDAYS

10:00 am
Worship
(nursery provided)
6:30 pm
The Union's
Worship Service

MONDAYS

6:30pm-Monday
Night Group-
Information: 455-5940

WEDNESDAYS

10:30 am
Women's Bible
Study-Information:
990.2973

THURSDAYS

8:15 am
Men's Group-
Information:
751-5266

CHALICE BEARERS

August 6
Jane and Bob
Grafe

August 13
Becky Johnson
Jan Bogue

August 20
Susan Jones
Maggie Rockett

August 28
Kitty Barksdale
Janic Terry

One Liners



The Rev. M. Scott Davis

Let me say to those of you outside Grace Church that Sue Anne and I had an amazing sabbatical in England and Scotland. We picked up a rental car at Heathrow and put 5,100 miles on the odometer (the UK is only 600 miles from top to bottom). I drove on roads that made back woods, hunting-camp, roads in rural Alabama look good! The food was terrible and the landscape magnificent. The traffic was dense and the history amazing. Too many stories to tell at the moment but hopefully many will peek out in the coming weeks, months, and years. I am so grateful to the Lord for this once in a lifetime gift and grateful to those who held down the fort (and quite well I might add) while I was away.

One day, midway through the sabbatical, the Lord told me to begin studying the parables. Confession: I have never much liked the parables. I am not particularly interested in short stories that do not have much plot or character development.

I dutifully googled *parables* and learned that there were forty six of them in the Gospels—missed that day in seminary. Next, the Lord told me to look for the *one liners* in each story. Some of the parables even had several *one liners*. The Lord also added to look for *one liners* in

my dreams at night as well.

Webster defines *one liner* as “a succinct or meaningful and especially accurate statement.” I was hooked. The parables that had once been boring were now quite interesting as I looked for the *one liners*.

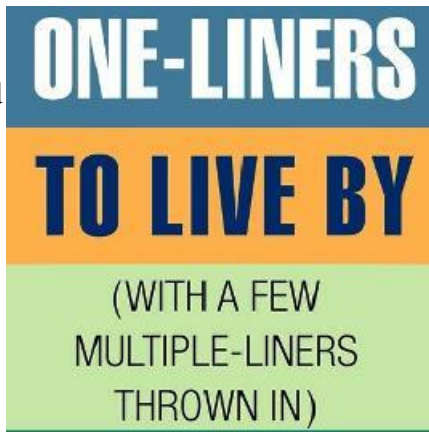
My dreams at night also began to have greater significance as I looked for the *one liners*. Even if I could not remember an entire dream all I actually needed was “the meaningful and especially accurate statement” at the end—the *one liner*. It became obvious that this was how God was choosing to speak in this season.

It is interesting how much a person can glean from a simple sentence at the end of a story or dream. Is not this the way a person remembers a joke—the *one liner* at the end that the entire jest hinges on? Once again the genius of God is revealed. He who is the Word uses play on words and *one liners* to communicate eternal truths that shape our lives.

The Lord continued by telling me that each *one liner* was actually a kingdom concept. If a person wants to understand the Kingdom of God and how it operates then the *one liners* are a key.

Here are some *one liners* from several parables:

- The one who has, more will be given
- The measure you give is the measure you get
- If you are faithful in little then God will put you in charge of much.

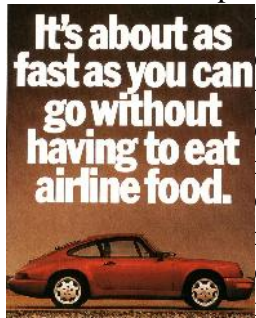


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- It only takes a tiny amount of the Kingdom to alter and change culture.

A person shared a dream with me yesterday (I have their permission to share here). The dream ended with the dreamer in a Medieval crypt under a great building and the *one liner* was, "The ceiling is too low." As the dreamer and I discussed the dream and its *one liner*, its meaning became obvious—God wanted to move the people in the dream to a place with a higher ceiling. Their metaphorical roof was too low which was hindering their growth into what God planned for them.


Several years ago I had a dream where my car was being raced on an abandoned airstrip runway. I was



watching as a driver revved the poor four cylinders to 250 mph, racing it from one end of the runway to the other. Standing next to me was a

man in the church who told me not to be concerned about the motor being revved that high. He explained that this actually helped the engine stay maintained because the motor needed to be blown out periodically. As I worked with the interpretation, I knew that my car represented me. The *one liner* also became obvious: "I was made to go that speed, and it would not kill me to do so. In fact, I needed these high rpm times to stay maintained! *One liners* in dreams often reveal Kingdom truths.

One liners are adding a new level of growth to Bible Study. I invite you to join me in looking for these short statements that illustrate Kingdom concepts. Blessings, Scott +



1-The Rev. Alan Reid
 2-Jane Grafe
 8-Mary Harper
 20-Becky Castellano
 29-TJ Adkison
 31-Jackie Isaacs



LIVE STREAMING

Each Sunday at 10am
www.visitgrace.net and check out Facebook/
 GraceAnglican. 



Women's Bible Study meets every Wednesday at 10:30am to study the book of Hebrews.



The Men's Group now meets on Thursdays at 8:15am.

YES. Sign me up!

I asked the Grace Church congregation to submit five names of people thought would be great at welcoming people on Sundays. The names that were repeated the most have agreed to be just that for our future as Grace's greeters. They are:

Jerry Schussler 

Julian & Maggie Carnes 

Jan Bogue 

Jane & Bob Grafe 



June 2017 Financials

Income	\$18,982.15
Expenses	\$16,381.48
Net	\$ 2,600.67