

OPINIONS/COMMUNITY

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Scripture of the Week

Exodus 3:7 And the Lord said, I have surely seen the affliction of my people which are in Egypt, and have heard their cry by reason of their taskmasters; for I know their sorrows. KJV

Encouragement That Takes You Higher Thank You Rhonda



By Sherry Brown

I have a wonderful friend and her name is Rhonda Hanes. She genuinely loves the Lord with her whole heart and she is such a true Christian woman. True friends are hard to come by and few there be. Having a friend that one can share their faith with and pray with is a mighty blessing indeed. When God sends

this type of friend into your life you should never take one another for granted as a friendship should be guarded with the care of the Lord and enjoy His precious gift that has been placed before you. God values friendships as the scriptures declare. Proverbs 18:24 A man that hath friends must shew himself friendly; and there is a friend that sticketh closer than a brother.KJV. We should always remember that true friendships are invaluable and should be treated with great regard. John 15:13 Greater love hath no man than this, that a

man lay down his life for his friends.KJV. Our one true best friend is truly Jesus Christ who died for all humanity! Amen! True friendships should always reflect pure heart and pure motives with deep respect that last a lifetime! What a rare jewel of joy and blessings! Amen. I thank God for the pure friendships that I have been blessed with throughout my life. I know many of you out there have very special friends in your life and I know that the joys of those relationships are priceless as they should be. I have also had fair weather friends and a few betrayals along the way that ended up in separations due to jealousy and envy and wrong doings on their behalf. It is vitally important that you protect your inner circle as some people have an agenda of hell in your face while others are in your life for true friendship and wholesome fellowship thatbringencouragement and mutual camaraderie of hope, trust, wholesome goodness and support in the richness of positive impact for one another along life's rugged journey in the earth. There is no human on the earth that has a smooth sailing life 24/7/365! Amen! We are in a battlefield every day and the spiritual warfare is intense! A praying friend is a wonderful gift to have and should be greatly cherished at all cost as it is a wealth that

cannot be measured by the ways of the world because it is God's glorious gift this is incomparable to the fallen world. Thank you, Rhonda for your kindness to me and your sacred walk with Jesus Christ as you exemplify the true nature of Christianity and how to be a Sister in Christ with no ulterior motive but only sharing the Love of Jesus with souls and the care of their welfare through the attributes of Jesus Christ and that not of your own agenda! You are a selfless servant of Jesus and you show it in your daily heart actions of purity through your salvation lifestyle and I am so honored to have you as a true friend and Sister in Christ! I appreciate you and I thank God for your life! May the Lord bless you mightily and use you greatly for His kingdom in this troubled world! Thank you for loving souls and standing up for the truth of God's Holy Word no matter the cost for your sold-out service to the Master. Some will never understand the price of godly service in the earth nor can they discern the truth! Lord have mercy and help us all. Proverbs 27:17 Iron sharpeneth iron; so a man sharpeneth the countenance of his friend.

FFA Column

ABBY FLEMING

As the weather continues to get colder, I become more excited for deer season. Every year, I go deer hunting with my dad, and although I'm not a big fan of cold weather, hunting is my favorite part. I probably wear more clothes than I should: three layers of pants and what seems like 1,000 layers of shirts, hoodies, and jackets. The excitement I get from just sitting in the woods patiently waiting doesn't compare to how I feel after successfully shooting a deer. Most people may age hunt for the antlers and points more than the

deer itself, but my family is more concerned about putting meat in the freezer for the year. Sometimes, my family makes deer jerky if we have extra deer meat, and let me tell you, that doesn't even last a week. Although I love deer hunting, my least favorite part is the squirrels. They make so much noise that they've probably scared off more deer than my brother does just by walking loudly. Despite the cold weather and noisy squirrels, deer hunting will always be one of my favorite things to do.

HOMEMAKERS PROCLAMATION



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John Sims, Jr., County Judge Executive

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