

House of Judah Seneca, SC

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TAG ~
Thanks, Appreciation,
Gratitude,
and Prayer





Who We are:

We are Spiritual Beings who are One With Christ!





Focus Scripture:

¹⁵ Protect them from the evil one. ¹⁶ They are not of the world, even as I am not of it..

John 17: 15b – 16 NIV





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Support Scripture:

14 You are my friends if you do what I command. 15 I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business. Instead, I have called you Friends, for everything that I learned from My Father I have made known to you. 16 You did not choose me, but I Chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit—fruit that will last and so that whatever you ask in My Name The Father will give you. 17 This is my command: Love each other.

John 15: 14 – 17 NIV ////





Series:

Balancing Engagement with Detachment: Awareness, Aloof, Afar

Thought for Today:

A Triple A - Experience Part: 5



Aloof and Afar God's Protection Plan ~ The Gospel According to Donkey:





Aloof and Afar:

Aloof ~
One who is not friendly or forthcoming; cool and distant:

Afar ~ (Location)
From, to or at a great
distance



DONKEY

A donkey is a domesticated equine. A equine is that which is relating to or resembling a horse or the horse family. A donkey may be classified either as a subspecies of *Equus Africanus Asinus*, or separate species *Equus Asinus*. *This donkey is* a descendant of the African wild ass – an animal of the horse family and is typically smaller than a horse and has longer ears and a braying call.

The Equus Asinus are related to horses and zebras, although they're often stockier, stronger and have much different personalities. They have been used as a beast of burden since 4000 BCE and are sure-footed and capable of carrying heavy loads over rough terrain.





Donkeys and Mules

Donkeys were likely first bred around 5,000 years ago in Egypt or Mesopotamia, while mules are the hybrid offspring of a male donkey

And a female horse and have been common since around 3,000 BC.

Mules are bred from male donkeys (Equus asinus)

and female horses (Equus caballus) —

a female donkey breeds with a male horse,

producing a hinny. Hinnies are not very common.

Mixing the chromosomes of horses and mules causes both mules and hinnies to be sterile.

Which means no hunnies...

That's why Jesus rode a Donkey and not a mule...

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Donkeys and Mules

A donkey is its own unique species.

A mule is a hybrid offspring of a male donkey and a female horse.

Mules are sterile and cannot reproduce.

Like the donkey, mules are intelligent.

Unlike the donkey, mules can be headstrong and stubborn, making them difficult to train.

Donkeys and mules share some behavioral and physical characteristics, but they are two different and distinct animals.

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"M.U.L.E."

Mean
Unfriendly/Ugly
Lonely
Evil

"D.O.N.K.E.Y."

Devoted
Optimistic
Noble
Kind
Empowering
Yielding

It's all about choices...







Donkey is one of the funniest characters in the *Shrek* franchise, and has a sharp wit and endless enthusiasm.

Donkey is funny, quick-witted, has unwavering loyalty.

Donkey is best Shrek's friend.

Jesus said;

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John 15: 14 – 17 NIV

Know therefore that the Lord your God, He is God, the faithful God, who keeps His covenant and His lovingkindness to a thousandth generation with those who love Him and keep His commandments.

"O Lord, the God of Israel, there is no God like You in heaven above or on earth beneath, keeping covenant and showing lovingkindness to Your servants who walk before You with all their heart. 2 Chronicles 6:14

A friend loves at all times, And a brother is born for adversity.

Proverbs 17:17

²⁸ Come to Me, all *you* who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. ²⁹ Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

³⁰ For My yoke is easy and My burden is light." Matt 11: 28-30 "Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends." ~ Jesus ! John 15:13







Nothing that a believer in Christ does, nor anything that is done to us, can separate us from God's Love or cause God to stop loving us (Romans 8:35-39).

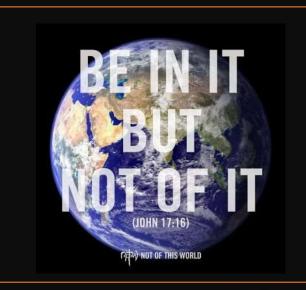
God is loyal to us even when we are not loyal to Him, and His loyalty is so much a part of His character that He wouldn't be God without it (2 Timothy 2:13).

22 Because of the Lord's Great Love we are not consumed, for His Compassions never fail. 23 They are new every morning; **Great** is Your Faithfulness.

Choose!!

"Don't become so well-adjusted to your culture that you fit into it without even thinking. Instead, fix your attention on God. You'll be changed from the inside out. Readily recognize what God wants from you, and quickly respond to it. Unlike the culture around you, always dragging you down to its level of immaturity, God brings the best out of you, developing well-formed maturity in you."

Romans 12: 2 TMSG





THAT IS NASTY!!

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"O.G.R.E./M.U.L.E."

Which is the "evil one?" Which one am I being?

We are SPIRITUAL BEINGS Who ARE One with CHRIST!

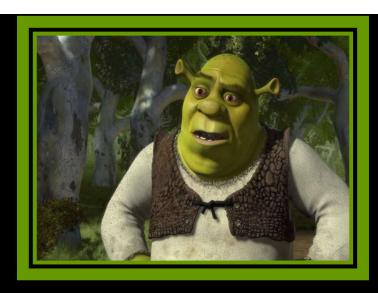
What IS the evil within Us/Me? Am I willing to look at the Evil One/ The OGRE and The MULE in me...

What are we hiding from our Selves, that God is showing us in plain sight... but we blame on others...

Are we real enough to say; "It's ME, Oh Lord?!"

out of the world but that
You protect them from the evil one.

John 17: 15b – 16 NIV





15 Choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors ... or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you are living.

But as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD."

"O.G.R.E."/ "M.U.L.E."

"O.G.R.E."/ "D.O.N.K.E.Y."

Optimistic Grateful Reconciling Empowering
Devoted Optimistic Noble Kind Empowering Yielding

Closing, Invitation and Benediction:

"Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the Power that works in us,"

For Their Name sake and For Their Glory...."

Ephesians 3:20

