

Dear friends,



The Thanksgiving season is upon us and, for our part, we are certainly **THANKFUL** that it is!

We love so much about this season – the autumn changes in the weather and natural surroundings, the blessings of the harvest, and the historical remembrances that prompt us to look back and cherish the ideals upon which America was founded.



But, of course, an “attitude of gratitude” is one of the most important virtues of a life well lived and so it must be carefully cultivated all year long. Thanksgiving keeps us looking up, gives us a healthy perspective on our trials, and helps us to focus on the Source of both our current blessings and our future hopes. And yes, the Thanksgiving traditions that revolve around family, rest, and good food are wonderful as well. **THANK** the Lord for Thanksgiving!



True enough, Thanksgiving 2020 has plenty of challenges before us including a confused and divided nation, the threat (and even more dire fear) of the virus, and the separation from the things that have made our traditional holidays so sweet and encouraging. But our prayers for family and friends (including all of you) are that God keeps alive in us a keen awareness and deep appreciation His love, compassion, and sovereign power.

By the way, our first attempts at poetry readings are done and on the way to you. We hope you find them of some value. But we will continue to send along these “Anti-Boredom” Packets too. In fact, here’s Number 38.

Denny & Claire

Multiple Choice Questions

- 1) In addition to mint leaf, what goes in a traditional mint julep?
 - A) Scotch, soda, and a cherry
 - B) Bourbon, simple syrup, and ice
 - C) Tequila, lime juice, and ice
 - D) White wine and lime juice
- 2) The 1959 song, "Where the Boys Are" was a mega-hit for what singer?
 - A) Annette Funicello
 - B) Lesley Gore
 - C) Petula Clark
 - D) Connie Francis
- 3) From 1963 to 1973 what was Cape Canaveral officially known as?
 - A) Los Cabo Canaveral
 - B) Space Center Florida
 - C) Cape Kennedy
 - D) NASA Southeast
- 4) True or False -- The female lead in the movie version of the musical *Oklahoma* was given to newcomer Tuesday Weld. _____
- 5) The holiday that originated in Al Capp's comic strip, "Li'l Abner" was:
 - A) Sadie Hawkins Day
 - B) Daisy Mae Day
 - C) Dogpatch Dance Day
 - D) Jubilation T. Cornpone Day
- 6) Of whom was Clement C Moore talking here? "His eyes, how they twinkled! His dimples how merry! His cheeks were like roses, his nose like a cherry!"
 - A) Winnie the Pooh
 - B) Ronald McDonald
 - C) Peter Pan
 - D) St. Nicholas
- 7) What cowboy actor (usually a comic sidekick) frequently appeared on the old Jack Benny radio show?
 - A) Andy Devine
 - B) Walter Brennan
 - C) "Gabby" Hayes
 - D) "Slim" Pickens
- 8) True or False – The British spy James Bond held the rank of Commander in the Royal Naval Reserve. _____
- 9) This U.S. town has the nickname "The Biggest Little City in the World."
 - A) Lincoln, Nebraska
 - B) Reno, Nevada
 - C) Sacramento, California
 - D) Daytona Beach, Florida
- 10) The musical instrument most associated with Bob Wills, Doug Kershaw, and Charlie Daniels was:
 - A) Banjo
 - B) Acoustic Guitar
 - C) Fiddle
 - D) Trumpet

11) The World War II adventure film from 1968 that starred Richard Burton and Clint Eastwood was:

- A) *The Guns of Navarone*
- B) *Three Came Back*
- C) *Where Eagles Dare*
- D) *The Dam Busters*

12) Which of these would taste closer to an onion?

- A) Shallot
- B) Turnip
- C) Fennel
- D) Rutabaga

13) From the Old Testament book of Genesis, who was it that was sold into slavery by his own brothers?

- A) Abraham
- B) Joseph
- C) Lot
- D) Jacob

14) "Take the 'A' Train" was a tune written by Billy Strayhorn which became the theme song for...

- A) Lionel Hampton
- B) Jimmie Lunceford
- C) Count Basie
- D) Duke Ellington

15) True or False -- Benedict Arnold served as an American major general in the Revolutionary War and was quite the hero before turning traitor to his country. _____

16) *Old Yeller* was a 1957 Walt Disney film that starred Tommy Kirk, Dorothy McGuire, and Fess Parker. But the title character was an animal, more specifically a...

- A) Mountain lion
- B) Dog
- C) Wild stallion
- D) Grizzly bear

17) True or False -- Besides the Great Lakes, the largest body of water in the U.S. is Lake Okeechobee in Florida.

18) Wisconsin has long been the champion in cheese production in the U.S. But recently this state has started to close in. (All others are far behind their production.)

- A) Ohio
- B) New Jersey
- C) Michigan
- D) California

19) The famous trumpet player shown here is...

- A) Herb Alpert
- B) Harry James
- C) Doc Severinsen
- D) Al Hirt



20) Besides the gigantic Christmas tree, what appears in New York City's Rockefeller Center every December?

- A) Ice skating
- B) U.S. Chess Championship
- C) World's largest garage sale
- D) Revolutionary War reenactments

21) Which of these did **NOT** appear in the 1967 film, *The Dirty Dozen*?

- A) Lee Marvin
- B) Ernest Borgnine
- C) Charles Bronson
- D) Henry Fonda

22) True or False -- The biggest record for Lawrence Welk came in 1961 with a song titled after a city in India, *Calcutta*. _____

23) What is frangipane?

- A) A sweet almond-flavored custard
- B) An aromatic resin used in incense
- C) Crystalized syrup
- D) A French honeyed wine

24) In 1964 Jan and Dean had a Top Ten song about a speed-loving "little old lady" from this California town.

- A) Mendocino
- B) Pasadena
- C) San Diego
- D) Hollywood

25) *The Music Man* was a hit musical set in what Midwest state?

- A) Illinois
- B) Indiana
- C) Iowa
- D) Ohio

26) The most popular recording of *Amarillo By Morning* was done by:

- A) George Strait
- B) B.J. Thomas
- C) Alan Jackson
- D) Johnny Cash

27) If you were carrying around a GREGG Manual among your high school books, it meant you were taking a class in...

- A) Bookkeeping
- B) Calculus
- C) Shorthand
- D) Typing

28) Tony and Maria were the lead characters in this 1957 Broadway musical that also featured street gangs of New York as characters.

- A) *Guys and Dolls*
- B) *Brigadoon*
- C) *A View from the Bridge*
- D) *West Side Story*

29) True or False -- Terry, the little dog that played Toto in *The Wizard of Oz* was paid \$125 a week. But the little people actors who played Munchkins were only paid \$50 a week. _____

30) If you're headed to the hoosegow, slammer, calaboose or joint, where exactly are you headed?

- A) College
- B) Jail
- C) A wild party
- D) Your home in the country

More Hollywood “tough guy” actors (Part 3)



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10) Which two of these “tough guy” actors were also top notch dancers?

More Hollywood “tough guy” actors (Part 4)



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10) Which of these actors won an Oscar, painted landscape art, and published a book of poems?

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Thanksgiving Season Quotes (Part 1) (Part 2 next week)

“Enter His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise;
give thanks to Him and praise His name.” (Psalm 100:4)

“No duty is more urgent than that of returning thanks.”
(Ambrose of Milan)

“By Him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually,
that is, the fruit of our lips giving thanks to His name.” (Hebrews 13:15)

“The lack of gratitude is the foundation of all sin.” (G.K. Chesterton)

“Gratitude is born in hearts that take time to count past mercies.”
(Charles E. Jefferson)

“Give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will
for you in Christ Jesus.” (1 Thessalonians 5:18)

“We would worry less if we praised more. Thanksgiving is the enemy of
discontent and dissatisfaction.” (Harry A. Ironside)

“In ordinary life we hardly realize that we receive a great deal more than
we give, and that it is only with gratitude that life becomes rich.”
(Dietrich Bonhoeffer)

“I will give thanks to the LORD because of His righteousness and will
sing praise to the name of the LORD Most High.” (Psalm 7:17)

“Hem your blessings with thankfulness so they don't unravel.”
(Unknown)

“The Pilgrims made seven times more graves than huts.
No Americans have been more impoverished than these who,
nevertheless, set aside a day of thanksgiving.” (H. U. Westermayer)

What Comes Next in This Song Lyric?

- 1) “These boots are made for walkin’ and that’s just what they’ll do...
- 2) “If ever I would leave you, it wouldn’t be in summer. Seeing you in summer, I never would go. Your hair streaked with sunlight, your lips red as flame...
- 3) “I was sinking deep in sin, far from the peaceful shore; very deeply stained within, sinking to rise no more...
- 4) “Well, it’s lonesome in this old town. Everybody puts me down. I’m a face without a name, just walking in the rain...
- 5) “Christmas eve will find me where the love light gleams...
- 6) “On the road again. Just can’t wait to get on the road again...
- 7) “Moonlight and love songs, never out of date. Hearts full of passion, jealousy and hate...
- 8) “Getting to know you, getting to feel free and easy. When I am with you, getting to to know what to say. Haven’t you noticed, suddenly I’m bright and breezy...
- 9) “Let me call you sweetheart, I’m in love with you. Let me hear you whisper...
- 10) “Will the circle be unbroken by and by, Lord, by and by?...

The Answers!
Multiple Choice

- 1) B
- 2) D
- 3) C
- 4) False – Shirley Jones
- 5) A
- 6) D
- 7) A
- 8) True
- 9) B
- 10) C
- 11) C
- 12) A
- 13) B
- 14) D
- 15) True
- 16) B
- 17) False - Great Salt Lake
- 18) D
- 19) C
- 20) A
- 21) D
- 22) True
- 23) A
- 24) B
- 25) C
- 26) A
- 27) C
- 28) D
- 29) True
- 30) B

More Hollywood “tough guy” actors (Part 3)

- 1) Humphrey Bogart
- 2) Kirk Douglas
- 3) James Cagney
- 4) Woody Strode
- 5) John Wayne
- 6) George Raft
- 7) James Coburn
- 8) Edward G. Robinson
- 9) Gary Cooper
- 10) 3 and 6

More Hollywood “tough guy” actors (Part 4)

- 1) Yul Brynner
- 2) Tom Selleck
- 3) Robert Ryan
- 4) Robert Mitchum
- 5) Sean Connery
- 6) Randolph Scott
- 7) Gregory Peck
- 8) Richard Burton
- 9) Jack Palance
- 10) 9

What Comes Next in This Song Lyric?

- 1) “...One of these days these boots are gonna’ walk all over you.”
- 2) “...Your face with a luster that puts gold to shame.”

3) “...But the Master of the sea heard my despairing cry. From the waters lifted me, now safe am I.”

4) “...Goin’ back to Houston, Houston, Houston.”

5) “...I’ll be home for Christmas if only in my dreams.”

6) “...The life I love is making music with my friends and I can’t wait to get on the road again.”

7) “...Woman needs man and man must have his mate. That no one can deny.”

8) “...Because of all the beautiful and new things I’m learning about you, day by day.”

9) “...That you love me too.”

10) “...There’s a better home a-waiting in the sky, Lord, in the sky.”