

Impossible Really Does Mean Impossible



Imagine an older woman carrying a bag of groceries from the store to her car when all of a sudden . . . Vrr-roooooom! A car full of teen age boys goes racing past her at a speed far too fast for the parking lot of your local supermarket. The “getaway car” fortunately misses her but eyewitnesses claim it couldn’t have missed her by much more than a foot. In fact, several

people claim the car had actually knocked the bag of groceries out of her hand. A crowd begins to gather as people now realize how close they were to being witnesses to a horrible tragedy. The badly shaken up woman had fallen to the ground and the contents of the bag were “everywhere”. Kind people help her to her feet and ask her if she is OK. Others, having seen the whole affair play out before them, are beside themselves with anger and want to “get those punks.” One man, dressed in a suit and tie, claims to have gotten the license plate number for the infamous automobile. A phone call is made to the police and the manager of the store has come out to promise the traumatized lady that she can shop for free at that store for the next three visits. All of a sudden someone cries out “Look! Look at the groceries on the ground!” The crowd lets out a collective “Ohhhh” and “Ahhhh”. Some start to laugh and others pull out their cell phones and start taking pictures. For the first time since her brush with death, “Mrs. Closecall” is not the center of attention. Everybody is now surrounding the bag and its contents and nobody quite knows what to make of it.

This was supposed to be a quick trip to get just a few items. Never in a million years did she think a fifteen minute shopping spree would turn into a brush with danger and death. She only needed some fruit, a box of chocolate chip cookies, a loaf of bread, a jar of peanut butter, and a jar of strawberry jam. But now, she can only stare at the ground with a very stunned crowd that is growing larger every minute. What was it

that had so gotten their attention? Well, after the bag had been torn so violently from her hands, the impact caused the contents to “explode” all over. But it looked like no explosion they had ever seen before. The three dozen oranges that had previously been in three separate bags were now lined up perfectly in six rows of six oranges each. The cookies had all escaped from their box and strangely fallen to the ground in such a way that they neatly spelled out the word “strange”. The pieces of bread had landed all in a row and peanut butter from the shattered jar had been perfectly spread across half the pieces . . . while jam was spread just as perfectly on the remaining pieces of bread. No one quite knew what to say.

But you are saying “That’s nuts! That could never happen!” Why thank you. That is precisely the point. Structure and order of that degree absolutely demand a “designer and organizer” of some sort. We live in a universe that shows the work of a master Creator at every turn. Whether it is the incredible design of the human eye, the unbelievable instincts of the salmon swimming upstream, or the perfect placement and atmosphere of our planet that makes it unique in the universe, the hand of God is seen everywhere. Yet while our physical universe displays such breathtaking order, the “moral” climate of earth is nothing short of chaos. Murder, theft, sex trafficking, injustice, political corruption, racism, and many other moral woes plague our planet. Mankind, though a marvelous specimen, is ethically bankrupt. The conscience is violated by wrong

choices early in life and by early adulthood, many people have formed “habits of sin” that are stronger than steel. Sin is essentially selfishness, living for one’s self with no regard for God, His law, or one’s neighbor. But Jesus came to break this awful pattern. Turn to Him with all your heart and turn away from every sin that would defile your conscience. The Creator of this amazing universe died for you and longs to wash your soul whiter than snow.

Here are some verses of scripture to help you find Christ:

1. Confess 1 John 1:9 “If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.”

2. Repent 2 Corinthians 7:10 “For godly sorrow worketh repentance to salvation not to be repented of: but the sorrow of the world worketh death.” and Mark 1:15 “And saying, The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: repent ye, and believe the gospel.”

3. Believe Acts 16:30b-31 “....Sirs, what must I do to be saved? And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house.”

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