

The Lakeside



Message in a bottle

Verse of the day for Monday February 26, 2024 - Galatians 5: 22-23

22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,

23 gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law.

Read Galatians 5 for meditation and inspiration.



SOMEDAY, IN GOD'S ECONOMY, IS ON ITS WAY!

Dear Lakesiders and friends,

A man set out to purchase a state-of-the-art sound system to complete his backyard renovation project. But what kind of equipment should he buy? He begins to inquire, and he discovers that, of course, the technology is always improving. So, he decides to wait a month or two. Perhaps the features will be better then, and maybe prices will go down. Two months later, he hears a rumor that a revolutionary new wireless technology could extend the range of his speakers far beyond what he imagined. So again, he decides to "wait and see." And the sad fact is that the man waits so long for the latest and greatest product to hit that market that he never gets to listen to any music in his backyard oasis.

Some years ago, in a "New York Times" editorial, the following proposal was made: "Amid all the 'Weeks' observed during the year on behalf of this, that, and the other thing, there should be room for a 'Someday Week.'"

"Scarcely a week passes that one does not say, 'Someday.' Someday is the day to take the whole family to a museum or a zoo. Someday is the day to pull a reclining chair into the yard and sit there doing nothing. Someday is the day to sit down with books about the stars and learn something about them -- or insects or rocks. To make Someday Week truly effective, however, Congress will have to declare a national holiday someday. But Congress is hoping to pass a balanced budget (someday), an effective crime bill (someday), a fair immigration policy (someday), common sense gun control (someday), and on and on. Well, the list is long and none of it may never happen. But you and I will die someday for sure. Jesus will return someday, absolutely. God's kingdom will come to earth as it is in heaven someday – you can count on it.

We have the promised commitment of God and the reassurance of our faith the God's somedays are eternal guarantees ready to happen, to spring into being, and fix'n to be real. So bet your life on God and you have the absolutely safest bet in heaven and on earth.

For THAT day,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Roger".

Roger