perhaps a last chance at laughter

"then our mouth was filled with laughter, and our tongue with singing." psa 126:2

when your pastor stops by for a visit

a new pastor was visiting the homes of his parishioners. at one house it seemed obvious that someone was at home, but no answer came to his repeated knocks at the door. therefore, he took out a business card that had printed "revelation 3:20" on the back of it for just such an occasion, and stuck it in the door. when the offering was processed the following sunday, he found that his card had been returned.

added to it was this cryptic message, "genesis 3:10." reaching for his bible to check out the citation, he broke up in gales of laughter. revelation 3:20 begins "behold, I stand at the door and knock." genesis 3:10 reads, "i heard your voice in the garden and i was afraid for i was naked."

when God answers prayer

after starting a new diet i altered my drive to work to avoid passing my favorite bakery. i accidentally drove by the bakery this morning and as i approached, there in the window were a host of chocolates, donuts, and cheesecakes.

i felt this was no accident, so I prayed... "Lord, it's up to You. if You want me to have any of those

delicious goodies, create a parking place for me directly in front of the bakery."

and sure enough, on the eighth time around the block, there it was! God is so good!

the Word is indeed a sword

an elderly woman had just returned to her home from an evening of religious service when she was startled by an intruder. as she caught the man in the act of robbing her home of its valuables, she yelled, 'stop - acts 2:38!' (...turn from your sin...). the burglar stopped dead in his tracks. the woman calmly called the police and explained what she had done. as the officer cuffed the man to take him in, he asked the burglar, 'why did you just stand there? all she did was yell a scripture to you.' 'scripture?' replied the burglar, 'she said she had an axe and two 38's!'

and now, some quick one-liners

the sermon this morning: 'Jesus walks on the water.' the sermon tonight: 'searching for Jesus.'

ladies, don't forget the rummage sale. it's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. bring your husbands.

don't let worry kill you off - let the church help.

miss charlene mason sang 'i will not pass this way again,' giving obvious pleasure to the congregation.

eight new choir robes are currently needed due to the addition of several new members and to the deterioration of some older ones.

please place your donation in the envelope along with the deceased person you want remembered.

the church will host an evening of fine dining, super entertainment and gracious hostility.

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laughter does indeed do good like a medicine. remember to laugh whenever you can. this coming year may carry few chances to do so. keep the word ever ready on your lips and in your heart. "anxiety in the heart of man causes depression, but a good word makes it glad." prov 12:25

no, we have not passed this way before, but we know Who holds the future, and we know He holds our hand. "so we may boldly say: 'the Lord is my helper; i will not fear. what can man do to me?" heb 13:6

"behold, I am coming quickly! hold fast what you have, that no one may take your crown." rev 3:11