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# MEGA-BYTE



## MOVE PROGRESS

Having had the dubious honour of being a member of various committees, the expression ‘I move progress Mr Chairman’ was a frequent cry from many a frazzled committee member. Usually this was because the discussion had gone around in circles for the last half an hour and one person had had the courage to voice what every one else was thinking.

I wonder if God every feels that way about us; does He feel like shouting ‘could we move progress!’ as we wander around the same circle for the tenth time I have no doubt that Jesus hold his head in his hands and says ‘not again.’



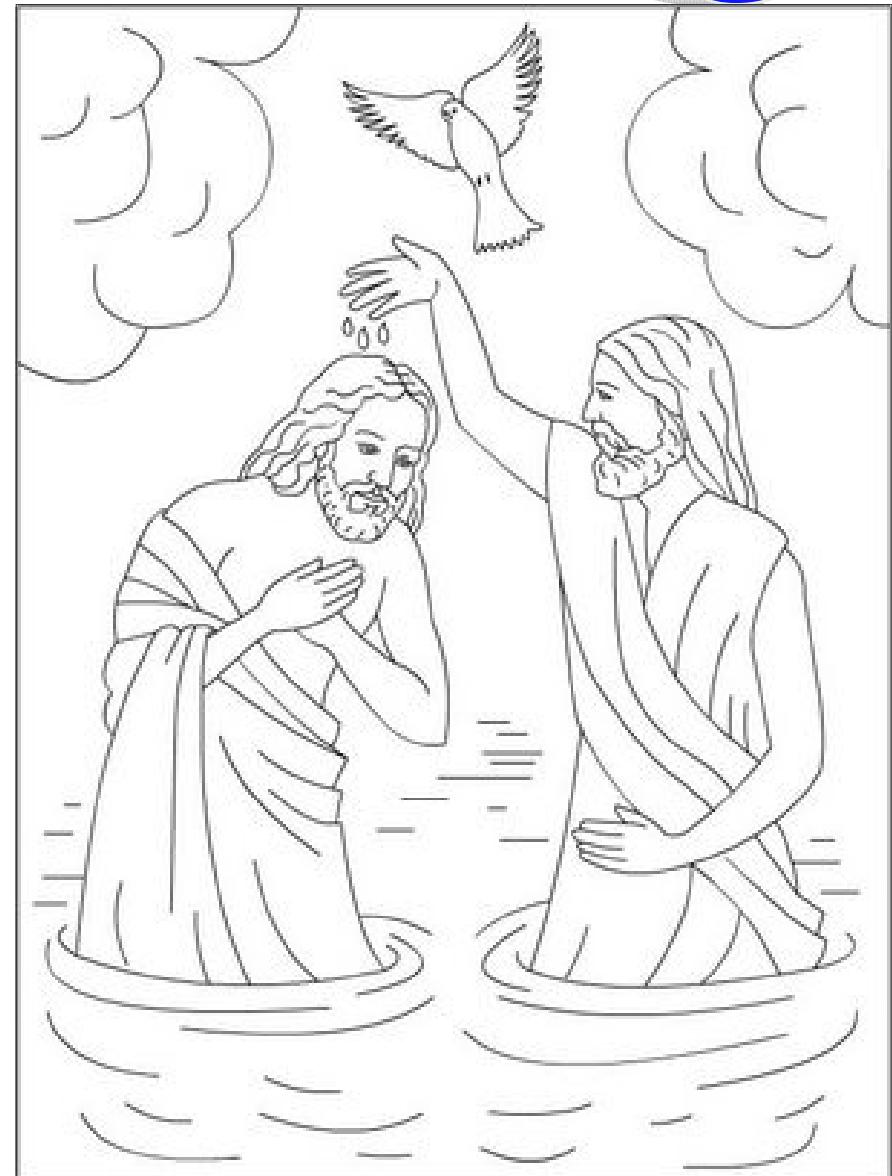
As individuals we get trapped in going around in circles; we insist on doing the same things and wonder why we get the same result. We know it won’t work but we insist on trying it again. This must be incredibly frustrating for both God and the people around us.

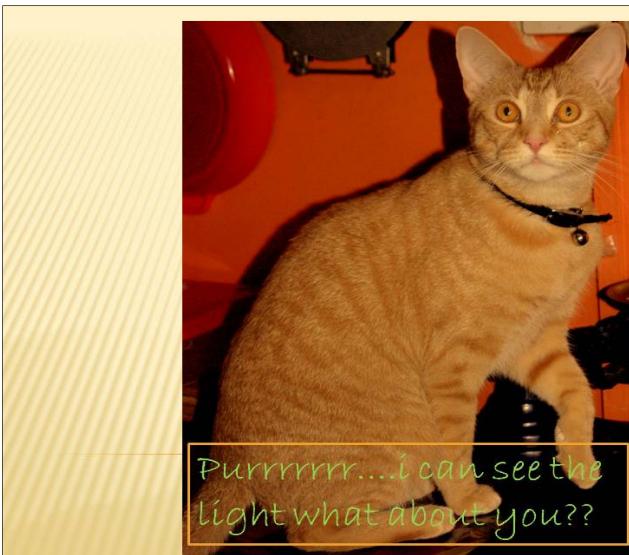
The only answer to this is to move progress, to break free of this repetitive cycle of failure and trying and to break out into freedom.

Ask yourself, do you seem to experience the same problems time after time only dressed up in different forms? Do you commit the same sins only in different clothes? Do you find yourself in the same hole, the only difference being the set of circumstances that got you there. Sometimes this is undoubtedly about what the Bible calls ‘besetting sin,’ habits that are really hard to break, desires that you can’t seem to control, things which you can’t seem to say no to.

The answer to lack of progress is to spiritually break out and the only way to do that is to invite the Lord of the Breakthrough to apply His battering ram to your circumstances or your habit.

Don’t put up with it and accept it as unchangeable; don’t throw your hands up in defeat. God can make progress where we find a brick wall. God can make us move on when we are weak because His strength is perfected in our weakness. When we are weak He is strong.





Submitted By SJ Cooke

## A CAT GOES TO HEAVEN

A cat dies and goes to Heaven. God meets him at the gate and says,'you have been a good cat all of these years. Anything you desire is yours,all you have to do is ask.' The cat says,'Well, I lived all my life with a poor family on a farm and had to sleep on hardwood floors.' God says,'Say no more.' And instantly, a fluffy pillow appears. A few days later,6 mice are killed in a tragic accident and they go to Heaven. God meets them at the gate with the same offer that He made the cat. The mice said,'All our lives we've had to run. Cats,dogs and even women with brooms have chased us. If we could only have a pair of roller skates,we wouldn't have to run anymore.' God says,'Say no more.' And instantly, each mouse is fitted with a beautiful pair of tiny roller skates.

About a week later,God decides to check and see how the cat is doing. The cat is sound asleep on his new pillow. God gently wakes him and asks,'How are you doing? Are you happy here?' The cat yawns and stretches and says,'Oh,I've never been happier in my life. And those Meals on Wheels you've been sending over are the best!

Submitted by J Davies

If we are to make progress we have to admit our weakness but not stay under them. Take the weakness to the Strong Man and He will break through for us. When we admit our helplessness He will take up our cause and break out for us. He will make a way where there doesn't seem to be one, for He is the Way.

Look to the Lord of the breakthrough and proclaim PROGRESS in your life.

Submitted By E Cooke

### JOKE 1

A young boy had just gotten his driving permit. He asked his father, who was a minister, if they could discuss his use of the car.

"I'll make a deal with you," said his father. "You bring your grades up, study your Bible a little, get your hair cut, and then we'll talk."

A month later the boy came back and again asked his father if they could discuss his use of the car.

"Son, I'm real proud of you. You've brought your grades up and you've studied your Bible, but you didn't get hair cut!"

"You know, Dad, I've been thinking about that. Samson had long hair, Moses had long hair, Noah had long hair, and even Jesus had long hair."

"Yes son, and they walked everywhere they went!

### JOKE 2

A mechanic was removing a cylinder head from the motor of a Harley motorcycle when he spotted a well-known heart surgeon in his shop.

The surgeon was there, waiting for the service manager to come and take a look at his bike.

The mechanic shouted across the garage, "Hey, Doc, can I ask you a question?"

The surgeon a bit surprised, walked over to the mechanic working on the motorcycle. The mechanic straightened up, wiped his hands on a rag and asked, "So Doc, look at this engine. I open its heart, take valves out, fix 'em, put 'em back in, and when I finish, it works just like new. So how come I get such a small salary and you get the really big bucks, when you and I are doing basically the same work?"

The surgeon paused, smiled and leaned over, and whispered to the mechanic... "Try doing it with the engine running.

Submitted BY J Davies

## BIBLE TRIVIA (Submitted By J Davies)

- Q. What kind of man was Boaz before he married?  
A. Ruthless.
- Q. What do they call pastors in Germany?  
A. German Shepherds.
- Q. Who was the greatest financier in the Bible?  
A. Noah. He was floating his stock while everyone else was in liquidation.
- Q. What was the greatest female financier in the Bible?  
A. Pharaoh's daughter. She went down to the bank of the Nile and drew out a little prophet.
- Q. What kind of motor vehicles are in the Bible?  
A. Jehovah drove Adam and Eve out of the Garden in a Fury. David's Triumph was heard throughout the land. Also, probably a Honda, because the apostles were all in one Accord.
- Q. Who was the greatest comedian in the Bible?  
A. Samson. He brought the house down.
- Q. What excuse did Adam give to his children as to why he no longer lived in Eden?  
A. Your mother ate us out of house and home.
- Q. Which servant of God was the most flagrant law-breaker in the Bible?  
A. Moses. He broke all 10 commandments at once.
- Q. Which area of Palestine was especially wealthy?  
A. The area around Jordan. The banks were always overflowing.
- Q. Who is the greatest baby sitter mentioned in the Bible?  
A. David. He rocked Goliath to a very deep sleep.
- Q. Which Bible character had no parents?  
A. Joshua, son of Nun

## Children's letters to God

Dear God, my mummy says not to talk to strangers, but she talks to strangers on the bus sometimes but they don't give her sweets.

Eliana

P.S. How tall are you?

Dear God, Mr Harley says you are there watching us all the time. You must get very bored sitting through maths lessons over and over.

I bet you are good at sums now.

Luis

Dear God, what were you doing before you made the world?

Thank you

Theresa

Submitted by Cherie Parry



Interested in working with puppets !!!

Please see Stephen Durbin for practice arrangements



At the last, let him see what it means to be terribly alone.  
Then let him die so that there can be no doubt that he died.  
Let there be a great host of witnesses to verify it.

As each leader announced his portion of the sentence, loud murmurs of approval went up from the throng of people assembled. When the last had finished pronouncing sentence, there was a long silence. Nobody uttered another word. No one moved.  
For suddenly all knew that God had already served his sentence

Submitted by E Cooke

## Cleaning Rota

### March 2011

5th Stephen Durbin  
12th Joe Fletcher  
19th No one  
26th Jo Durbin

### April 2011

2nd S Glenham  
9th H  
16th Alyson Fulford  
23rd SJ  
30th Stephen Durbin



## The Long Silence

At the end of time, billions of people were scattered on a great plain before God's throne. Most shrank back from the brilliant light before them. But some groups near the front talked heatedly - not with cringing shame, but with beligerence.

"Can God judge us? How can he know about suffering?" Snapped a pert young brunetter. He ripped open a sleeve to reveal a tattooed number from a Nazi Concentration Camp. "We endured terror ... beatings ... torture ... death!"

In another group a Negro boy lowered his collar. "What about this?" he demanded, showing an ugly rope burn. "Lynched for no crime but being black!"

In another crowd, a pregnant schoolgirl with sullen eyes. "Why should I suffer?" She murmured. "It wasn't my fault."

Far out across the plain were hundreds of such groups. Each had a complaint about against God for the evil and suffering he had permitted in the world. How lucky God was to live in heaven where all was sweetness and light, where there was no weeping or fear, no hunger or hatred. What did God know of all that men had been forced to endure in this world? For God leads a pretty sheltered life, they said.

So each of these groups sent forth their leader, chosen because they had suffered the most. A Jew, a person from Hiroshima, a horribly deformed arthritic, thalidomide child.

In the centre of the plain they consulted with each other. At last they were ready to present their case. It was rather clever. Before God could be qualified to be their judge, he must endure what they had endured. Their decision was that God should be sentenced to live on earth - as a man!

Let him be born a Jew. Let the legitimacy of the birth be doubted. Give him a work so difficult that even his family will think him out of this mind when he tries to do it.

Let him be betrayed by his closest friends.

Let him face false charges, be tried by a prejudiced jury and convicted by a cowardly judge

Let him be tortured.

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# MARCH 2011

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1. Bible Study E Cooke 7pm	2. Youth	3.	4. Prayer	5.
6. H Tuck 10am S Glenham 6pm	7.	8. Prayer Meeting 7pm	9. Youth	10.	11. Prayer	12.
13. Pastor 10am C Tuck 6pm	14.	15. Bible Study HM Tuck 7pm	16. Youth	17.	18. Prayer	19.
20. J Davies 10am E Cooke 6pm	21.	22. Prayer Meeting 7pm	23. Youth	24.	25. Prayer	26.
27. A Fulford 10am C Tuck 6pm	28.	29. Bible Study Pastor 7pm	30. Youth	31.		