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KNOW ABOUT SNOW?

One day in June at summer camp we had a **SNOWSTORM**.

Yes, in JUNE.

rue, the camp is in the Rockies and nights usually are cool enough for sweatshirts, but NOT snow! Yet, when we woke up that morning, the ground was covered and all day the snow continued to come down. However, because the camp is in the mountains, the pool is heated, so the campers were still able to go swimming. What a funny sight! Kids were having the usual good time in the water even though snowflakes were landing on their faces, and the counselors were doing lifeguard duty, shivering in their winter jackets!

Snowstorms are supposed to happen in winter, not in summer. Snow in summer is out of place.

Proverbs 26:1: As snow in summer, and as rain in harvest, so honor is not seemly for a fool.

A verse in Proverbs (26:1) paints a word picture about snow in summer and rain during harvest to teach us the meaning of honor. As out of place and as undesired as snow and rain are at the wrong time, so is honor when given to a foolish person.

Unfortunately, we live in a world when foolish people are honored. Celebrities, sports figures and politicians (and other people too) sometimes make bad choices and people laugh and make jokes about those choices. We shake our heads. Why are these foolish people respected for what they've done?

Just like snow doesn't belong in summer, so honor doesn't belong to foolish people.

But honor is good and positive when given for wisdom. The Bible gives us clear instructions about whom we should honor.

- 1. 1 Timothy 6:16 the Lord Jesus Christ
- 2. Ephesians 6:2 our parents
- 3. 1 Timothy 5:17 the people who lead our church
- 4. Philippians 2:29 people who serve the Lord
- 5. Romans 12:10 one another

The next time you hear of someone being honored for foolishness, imagine a summer snowstorm. Then live your own life the way God instructs you to live. Be a person deserving of honor.







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APRIL SHOWERS



HERE ARE SOME NOTEWORTHY APRIL WEATHER REPORTS.

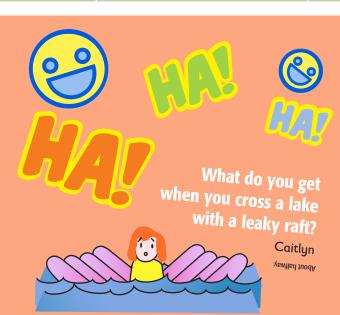
April 1935 – The wind blew so hard in Texas that people couldn't see more than a few feet because of the blowing dust for 27 out of the 30 days of the month.

April 12, 1934 – The strongest wind ever blew across Mount

Washington, New Hampshire. For five minutes, the wind blew at an average of 186 miles (299 kilometers) per hour – with one gust blowing 231 miles (372 kilometers) per hour. That's the fastest wind ever recorded anywhere in the world.

April 15, 1921 – Silver Lake, Colorado, got 76 inches (1.9 meters) of snow in a day, the most snow in the shortest time ever recorded in the U.S.

April 16, 1990 – Thunderstorm winds in Oklahoma City blew away a bunch of tax returns piled in a mail cart.



Here are some riddles from the T&T kids at Fairfield Baptist Church in Lancaster, Ohio.



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Match the verse/person with the weather-related event. See if you can complete the puzzle without looking at the verses.

Plague on Egypt (Exodus 9:24)

Joseph seeing his brothers (Genesis 41:36)

Paul and Silas in jail (Acts 16:26)

Jesus in a boat (Matthew 8:24)

Noah leaving the ark (Genesis 9:13)

Proverb about fair weather (Matthew 16:2)

Parting of the Red Sea (Exodus 10:19)

Elijah praying to God (1 Kings 18:1)

Rain

Earthquake

Colorful sunset

Hailstorm

Strong west wind

Drought/famine

Furious storm

Rainbow

IF I COULD BE ANY BIBLE CHARACTER ...

Thea, a third-grader, from Spring Baptist Church in Spring, Texas, sent us her thoughts on being Jonah.

If I could be any Bible character,

I'D BE JONAH.

I think it would be cool to cruise around under the sea and not drown.

I just hope the whale (fish) wouldn't swallow a shark while I'm in there.

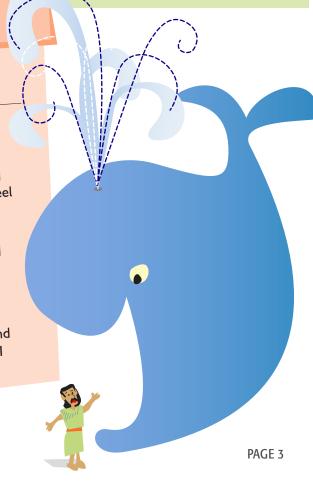
It's a good thing I like fish too, because that's all there would be to eat. I wonder if Jonah could cook them in there, like in Pinocchio.

But for real, I like Jonah's story because it reminds me how I feel sometimes – like my problems swallow me up too.

Then it's like they're all around me with no way to get out.

But just like Jonah, I know I should listen to God.

And He will help me understand and have strength to do what I need to do.



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CLUB NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CELEBRATE APRIL!

April 1 – Sweet Potato Day

April 2 – National Peanut Butter & Jelly Day

April 12 – Grilled Cheese Sandwich Day

April 17 – Check Your Batteries Day

April 21 – Go Fly a Kite Day

April 22 – Jelly Bean Day

SUNDAY	MONPAY	TUESPAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURPAY
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