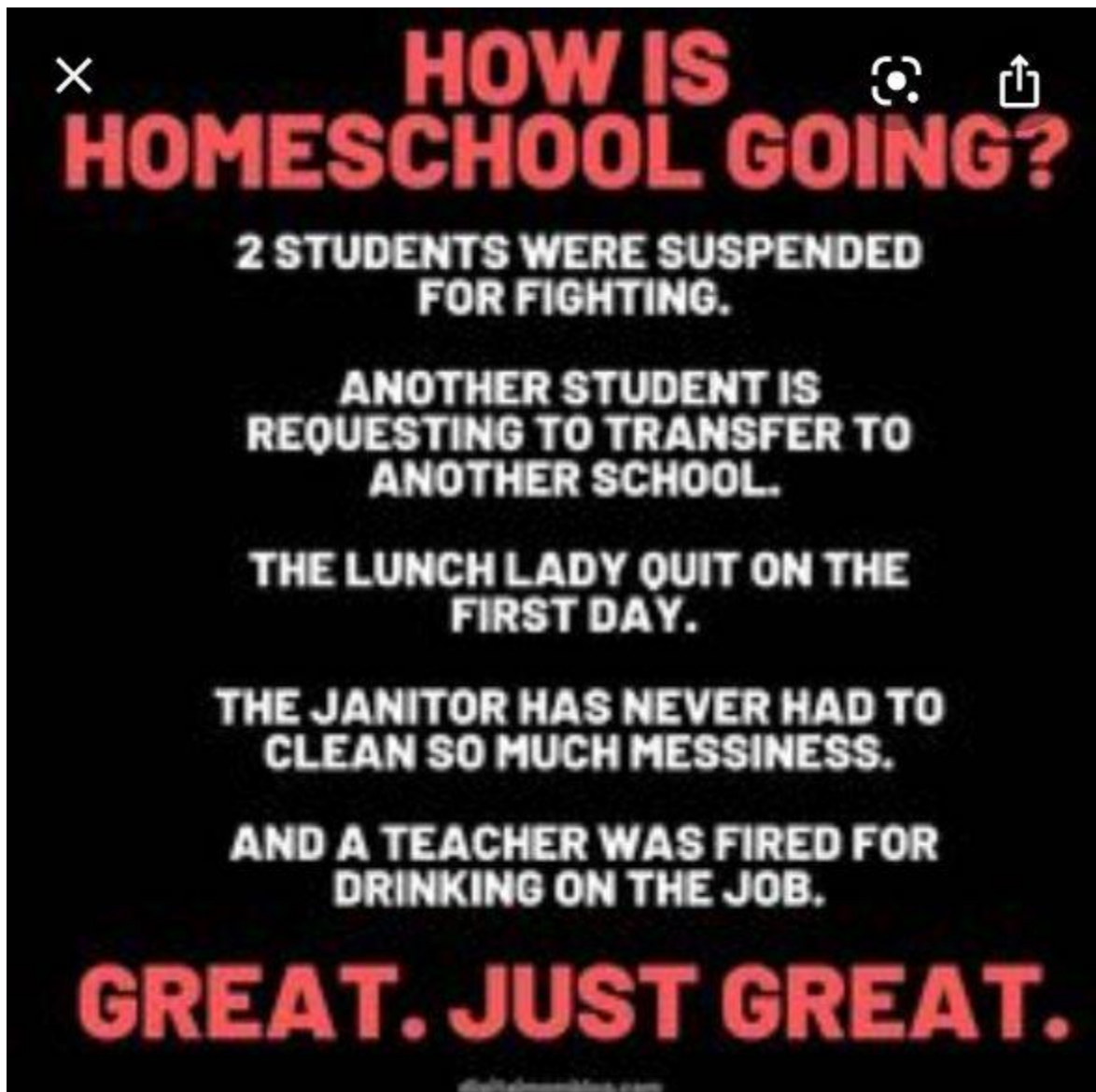


Creation Breakfast Club Sunday Online August 30th, 2020

Nudibranchs - the naked truth about sea slugs

Hola to all you socially distanced masked bandits out there on Whidbey. With school traditionally set to open soon, but with all the uncertainty, many are choosing to maintain homeschooling their kids. Some Moms, however, handle that better than others. One Mother, when asked how it was going, gave this report:

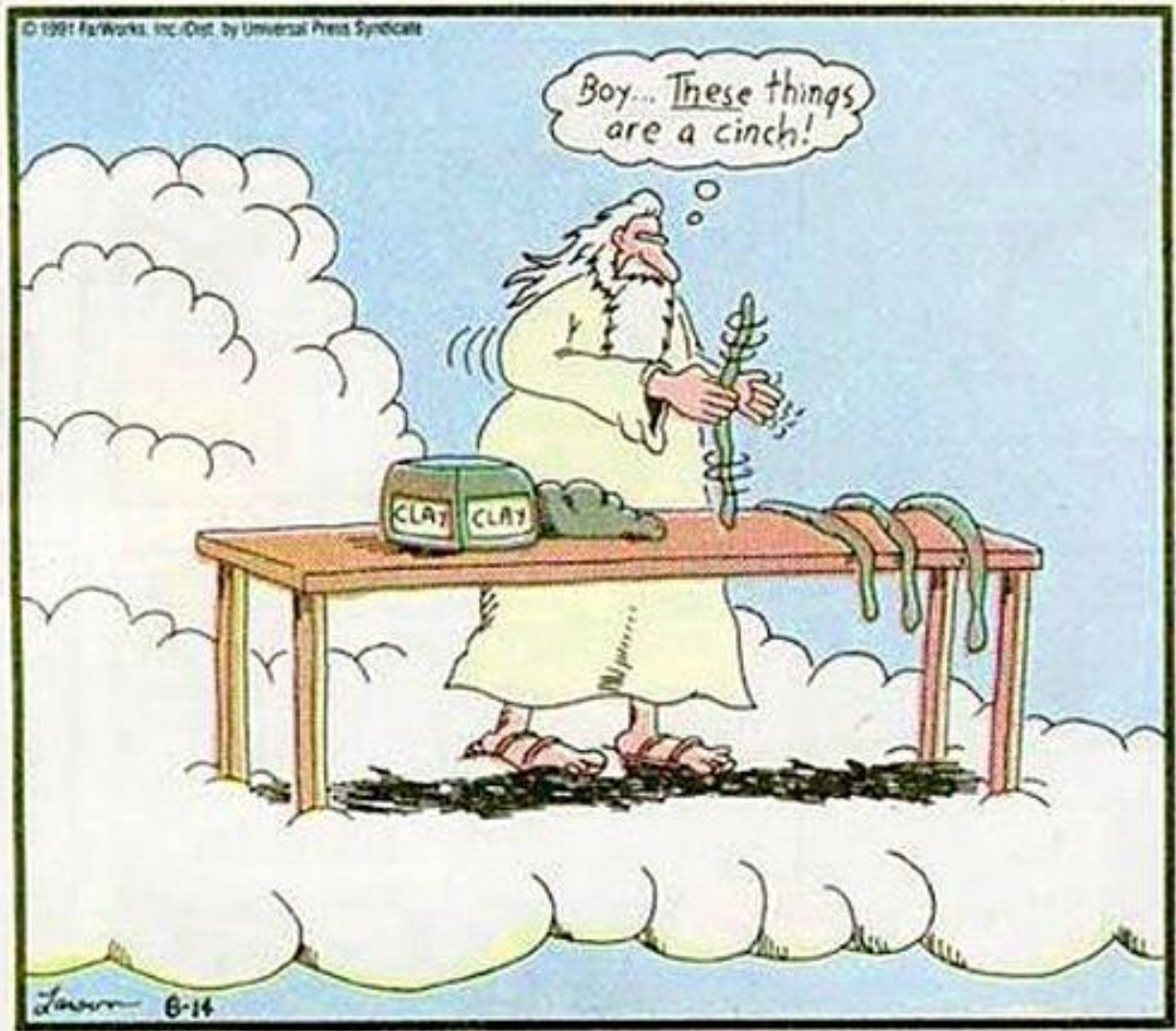


Our lesson this week is a short one, but predicated on an article I saw in a Creation magazine that came in the mail this week about some weird but spectacular creatures under the sea called Nudibranchs. Being a Biology Major in college, I was vaguely aware of these creatures, but was really impressed here by their bizarre design and what we have referred to in a previous lesson....*gratuitous beauty*. Simply said, there doesn't seem to be any rational explanation for their beauty, they are just kind of a fashion designer's fantasy for a magazine cover in the animal kingdom. The Bible Verse in Rev 4:11 comes to mind:

Revelation 4:11 KJV

¹¹ Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy *pleasure* they are and were created.

I love that concept of “*for thy pleasure*” in the KJV. It implies that God enjoyed using His creative genius to orchestrate Creation with his omnipotent & omniscient genius, hence...*gratuitous beauty*. It reminded me of this Gary Larson cartoon from years past.



God makes the snake

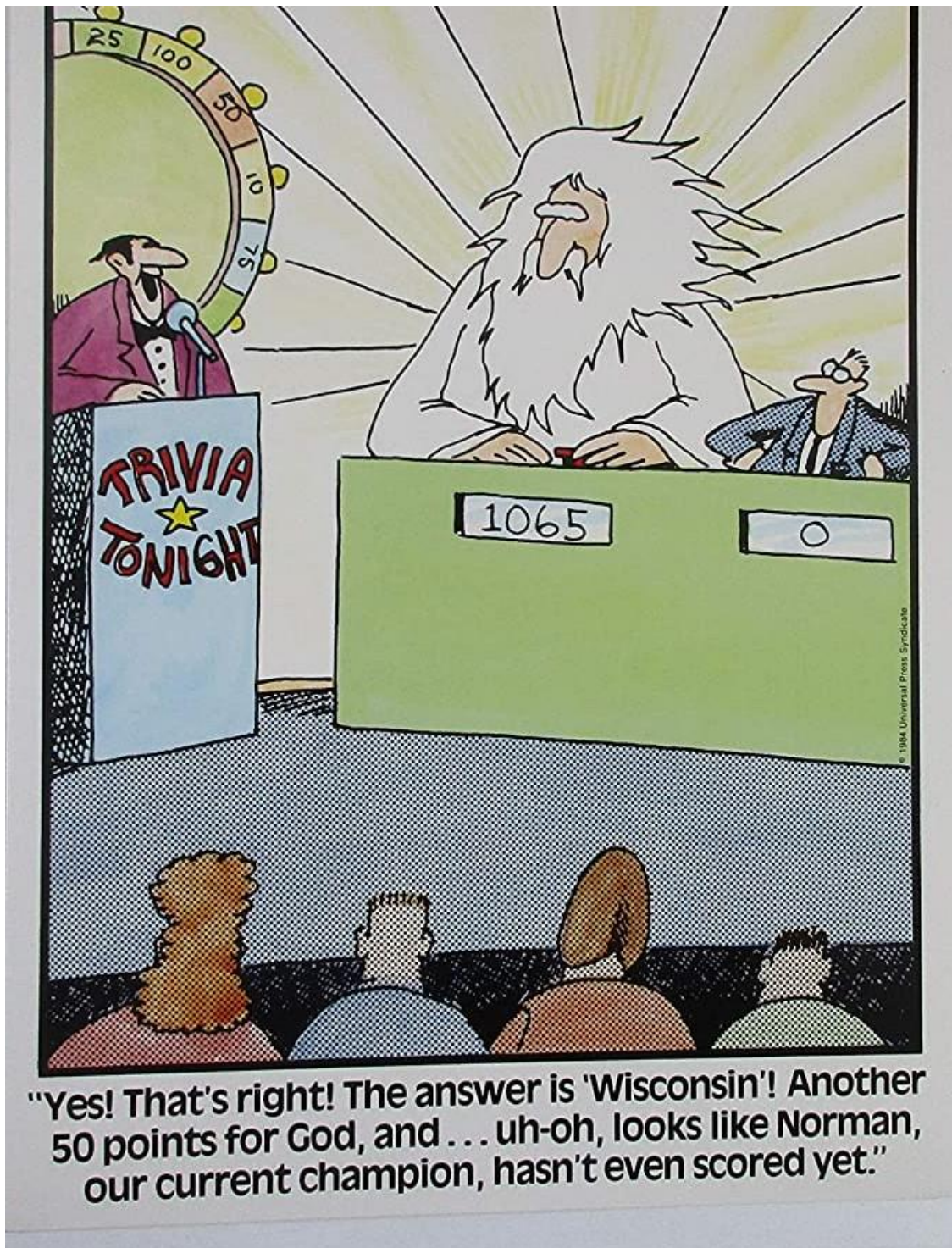
We were at Planet Fitness earlier this week and amidst the row of TVs, there was one displaying a Jeopardy show and some guy has just set the record for the most dollars ever won on the show. However, it reminded me of Isaiah 55.

Isaiah 55:8-9 NASB

⁸ “For My thoughts are not your thoughts,
Nor are your ways My ways,” declares the LORD.

⁹ “For *as* the heavens are higher than the earth,
So are My ways higher than your ways
And My thoughts than your thoughts.

So what would it look like if God was one of the contestants on Jeopardy?



So before we look at our video, I want you to view that article on Nudibranchs that I referred to earlier in the lesson, so you have some idea of what you will be looking at, which is actually a type of Sea Slug.

- (see attachment / Creation Club) *“The Expertly Designed Nudibranch”*
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- Next we want to look at this short 2:30 min video where you will definitely see these critters have nothing in common with the garden variety of huge banana slugs that we see and crunch under our feet here in the NW. This video would suggest that colorful costume parties actually do take place on the floor of the ocean.
- To get the full effect, if you have Apple TV, I would blow it up full on your large screen TVs to get the full effect. Enjoy!!
- *“Nudibranchs - the naked truth about sea slugs”* (2:30 min)
<https://youtu.be/yec4Qqd2X8U>

Well, this week’s lesson was short, but hope you found it interesting.

I researched us meeting face to face again, but unfortunately they took the WiFi out of B-building as they will be replacing it with a more sophisticated system this Fall. Until then, the signal from C-building is not sufficient down there to access You Tube online stuff. We tried to meet in B-3 last Tuesday for our GPC meeting, but had to move back up into C-6 to facilitate the Zoom. C-6 is occupied all Sunday morning with kids and then the Berean Class till 12:30 pm, so for now, we will continue in this format.

Make sure you read the GROW article this weekend on FBC Global Partners Steppin’ Out Missions working with Samaritan’s Purse on the clean up after the “derecho” in the Midwest earlier this month. I grew up in Kansas, in the heart of *Tornado Alley*, but had somehow never heard this term. I had to Google it. Anyway, it’s a great story about John & Joel Corley leading a team

with all SOM's toys from Amish Country in Ohio to SW Iowa to help with the clean up. Don't miss it.



Have a great week.

Larry & Ruth