

changing direction

There is nothing like knowing that God loves me regardless of what I do. I am filled with such joy that Etoonin' is my calling. God has done such amazing things with my life. I give all the glory to my Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

With a sense of the Lord's leading, I have decided to pursue Etoonin' fulltime. Etoonin' is my passion. Etoonin' is the one constant in my employment picture. I always draw Etoonin'. Other jobs have other problems with my schedule and periodic depressions, but Etoonin' is bipolar proof! I can do it whenever I want. With Etoonin' I can do whatever I want. That is really what I want to do: whatever I want. This is why I love God. He gives a certain freedom to actually want to be doing what you are doing. I want to serve Him through Etoonin'. God is gracious. He lets me do whatever I want.

After one month of ad sales with a local paper, it became clear that my commission would not provide suitable income. I got \$280 my first month. I was also blessed with the enjoyable experience of writing an article. Sales was fun, but not for me. Now I embark on a mission to balance my budget. First action may be to sell my condo and move to more affordable housing (rental with housemates). I've started cleaning. In tandem I applied for mortgage and personal loan modification, results pending, in attempt to stay put. Either way, my financial picture will remain tight. Personally, I favor moving. It is looking like I will not pursue Graphic Design for a career, but I shall continue networking just for fun. I applied for financial aid at Mount Wachusett Community College for the spring of 2010 should I resume schooling.

Whoa, core dump!

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Two of my cousins got engaged this past week. We are all happy about that. Another gets married in Pennsylvania on June 20th. His name is Alex, my favorite cousin. After the celebration I plan to scoot down south for a Southern Circuit Tour. Etoonin' Inc.: coming soon to a location near you! I'll visit my Granny in Maryland and my two closest Christian advisors from Virginia and North Carolina. I will also visit a friend I met in Amsterdam back in 1994. He stepped into our hostel lobby to avoid getting mugged and played chess with me. The trip will take 12 days, 2,000 miles and \$360. I'll be driving my car, Stella, a 1997 Honda Civic, just turned 200,000. If you'd like to donate to the trip earmark SCT 6.

I'm sorry, I'm a beggar.

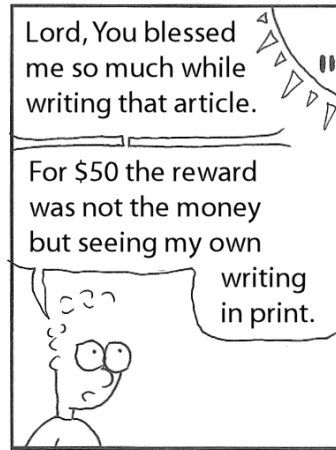
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Etoonin' would like to thank the laughing man who donated \$656.04 towards a mortgage payment. We are very grateful.

Indeed, I would like to thank all of you, my faithful readers. There is nothing more satisfying than to pour out my soul and know it resonates with other people. Even better that it serves the Lord as well. Serving the Lord has distinct rewards. I gave a calloused, bitter student at MWCC a pair of gloves last winter because he complained about cold fingers. He was elated to see me last time I visited school. It only cost \$11. My name is Jim Bures. I've got a product. It's called love. Its source is Jesus Christ. Bounce with me as I discover how to put this product into Etoonin'; you won't regret it. Soon I'll make music too. Psalm 37:4. There ain't no stopping me now. Love, your cartoonist, Jim Bures.

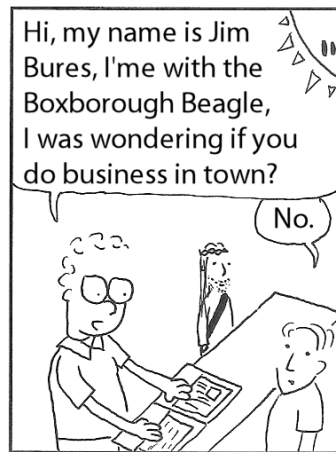
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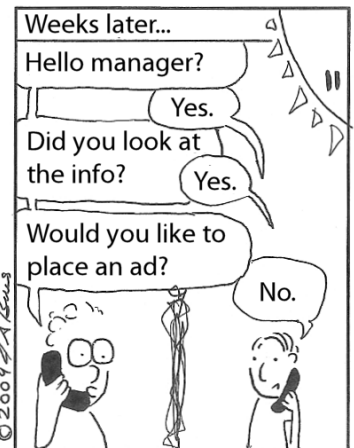
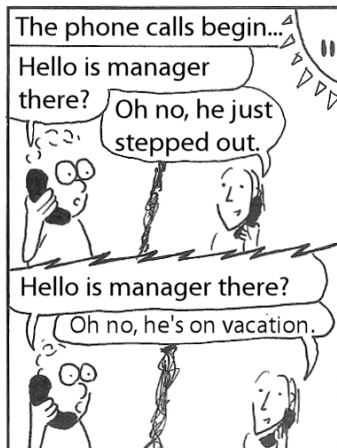
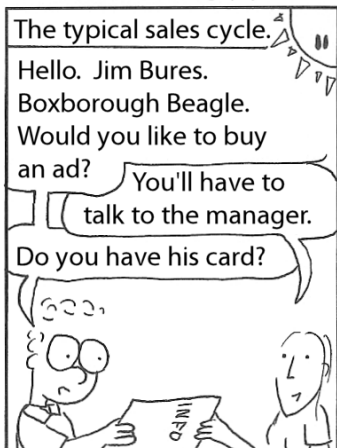
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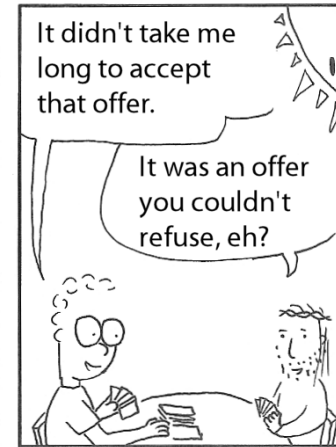
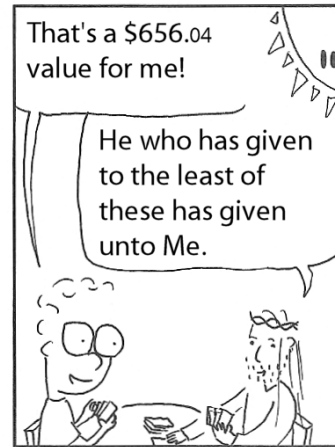
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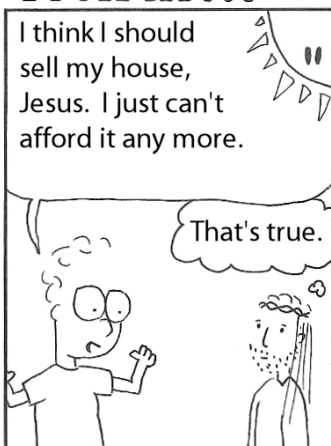
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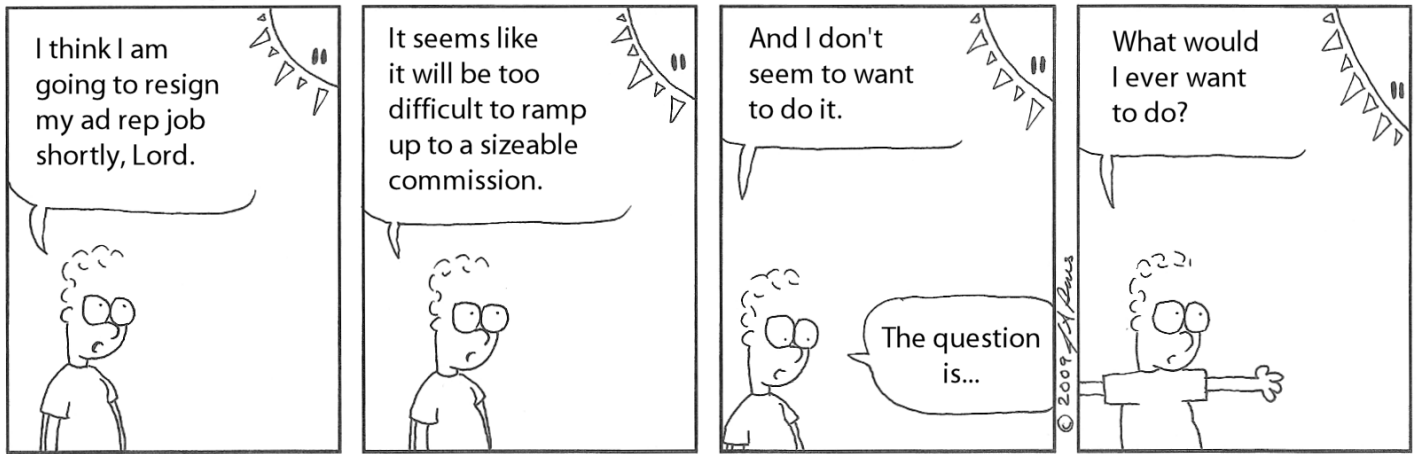
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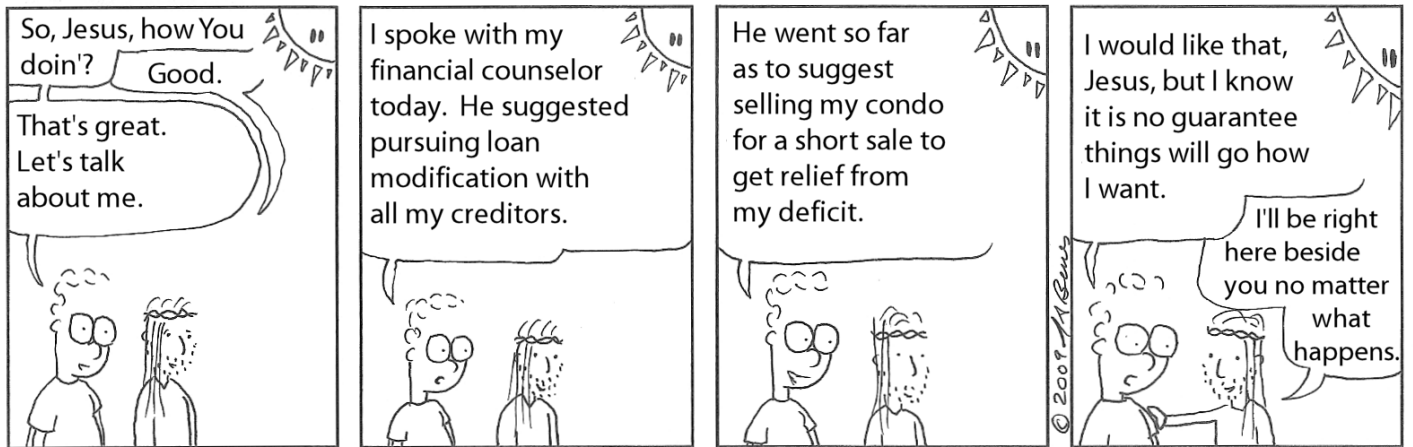
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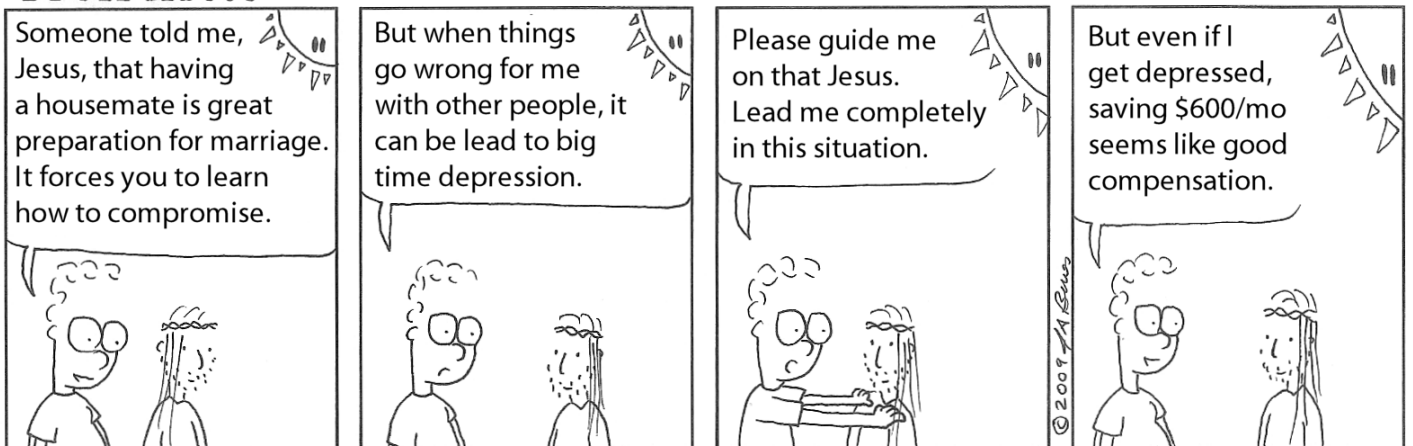
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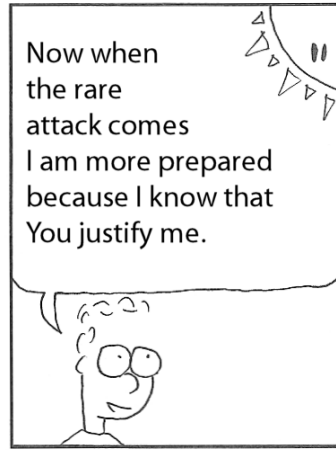
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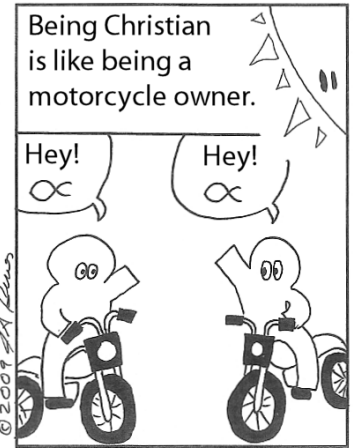
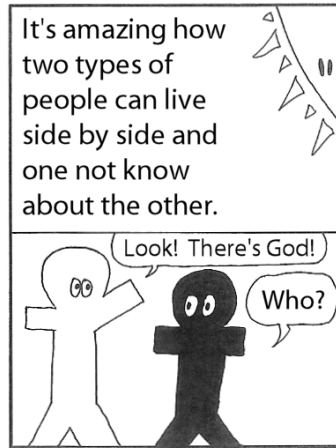
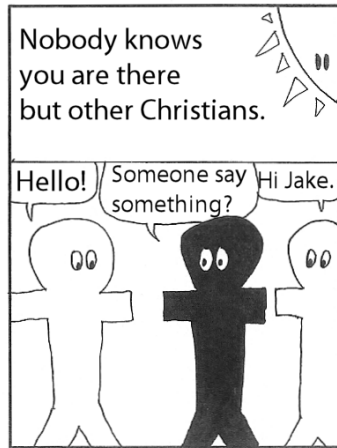
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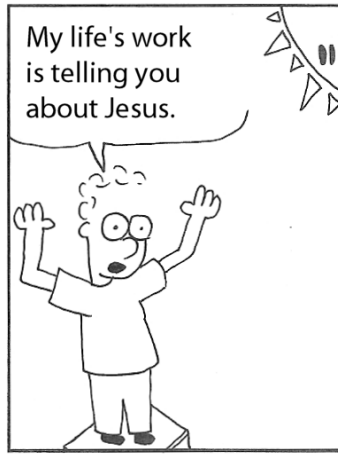
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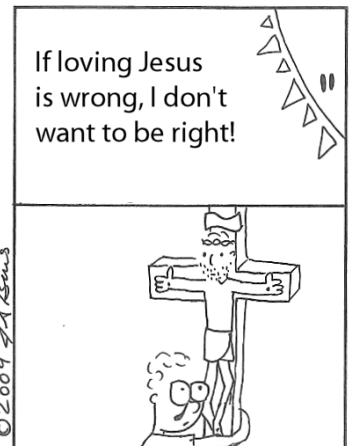
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