


WEIGHT OF THE WORLD

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1 and 2 Peter * THE HEIGHTS FREE CHURCH





A black crow is perched on the top edge of a brown rectangular sign with rounded corners. The sign is mounted on two metal posts and is set in a field of tall, dry grass. The background is a blurred landscape of similar vegetation under bright light.

**Collecting
Petrified Wood
Prohibited**

0904-01
To wear it away (worn)

I picked up this small
piece of wood when I visited
last year. I thought the
worn was along.

Since that time I
have had 3 accidents.
The list is; 1 Broken Collarbone,
Broken Rib 3 times, Broken foot
Shoulder injured twice,
wrecked motorcycle, my motor
home caught fire, the engine
in my car went south shortly
after the warranty expired, and
my wife has injured herself several

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DEAR MR. RANGER
I AM SORRY I TOOK
THIS. I AM ONLY
5 YEARS OLD AND
MADE A BAD MISTAKE.

ANDY

RECEIVED	
FOREST NP	
OCT 26 1970	
SUPERINTENDENT	
SECRETARY	
ADMIN OFFICER	
CHIEF OF RS	
PARK SPEC P&I	
DIST RANGER PD	
DIST RANGER RF	
CHIEF RES MGMT	
PARK SPEC RM	
FOREMAN	
FILE	

To Whom it may concern:

Take these miserable rocks and put them back into the rainbow forest, for they have caused pure havoc in my love life and Cheryl's too.

By the time these rocks reach you things should be back to normal if not, I give up.

Signed,
Dateless + Desperate

MAY 6 '85

REC'D	
PETRIFIED FOREST NP	
DATE	INIT
SUPT	
MA	
CPR	
AO	
FM	
AT	
PP	
EF	
RM	
COPIES TO	
FILES	

CONSCIENCE LETTER 253

4-5-83

Please put this back
so my husband can
get well. I tried to keep
him from taking it.

Distrout Wife
of Sacramento Ca.

Route 1
Sherrodsville, Ohio
November 19, 1964

Petrified Forest National Monument
Route 66, National Park Service
Arizona (Holbrook)

Dear Sirs:

Enclosed is a piece of rock I picked up at the Newspaper Rock stop of the tour of the Petrified forrest. Since I gave my heart to the Lord and have been living right I have to return this and ask you to forgive me for taking it ~~xxx~~ for in so doing breaking the law of the land and God's law. The Devil had such a hold on me I only took it for the sake of doing it as you can see it is not a very pretty stone or of much worth; I just had the habit of stealing but thank God he has saved me from this and I don't want anything to come between us or to go back in sin again and be worse than before. Besides this stone there was a sprig of pine with a cone of seeds I remember taking but I cant put it back on the tree but ask you to forgive me for both.

I am at your mercy for when I did it I knew there was a fine but like I say I was not a christian and if you think I should pay a fine or go to prison I am at your mercy and you have my address. Please forgive me and you can be sure it will not happen again. Will be waiting to hear from you.

Sincerely,

Sherrodsville, Ohio

RECEIVED	
PETRIFIED FOREST	
NATIONAL PARK	
NOV 23 1964	
SUPERINTENDENT	<i>Q.208</i>
MANAGEMENT ASST.	
SECRETARY	
ADM. ASST.	
CLERK	
CH. NATURALIST	
CH. RANGER	<i>20</i>
FOREMAN	
RAILROAD FOREMAN	
FILE	

ANS 11/23/64

THEY ARE BEAUTIFUL,
BUT I CAN'T ENJOY
THEM -

THEY WEIGH LIKE A
TON OF BRICKS ON
MY CONSCIENCE.

SORRY.




**ROCK,
PAPER,
SINNERS**

1 PETER 3:8-22

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Luke 22:59-62 (ESV): “Still another insisted, saying, ‘Certainly this man also was with him, for he too is a Galilean.’ 60 But Peter said, ‘Man, I do not know what you are talking about.’ And immediately, while he was still speaking, the rooster crowed. 61 And the Lord turned and looked at Peter. And Peter remembered the saying of the Lord, how he had said to him, ‘Before the rooster crows today, you will deny me three times.’ 62 And he went out and wept bitterly.”

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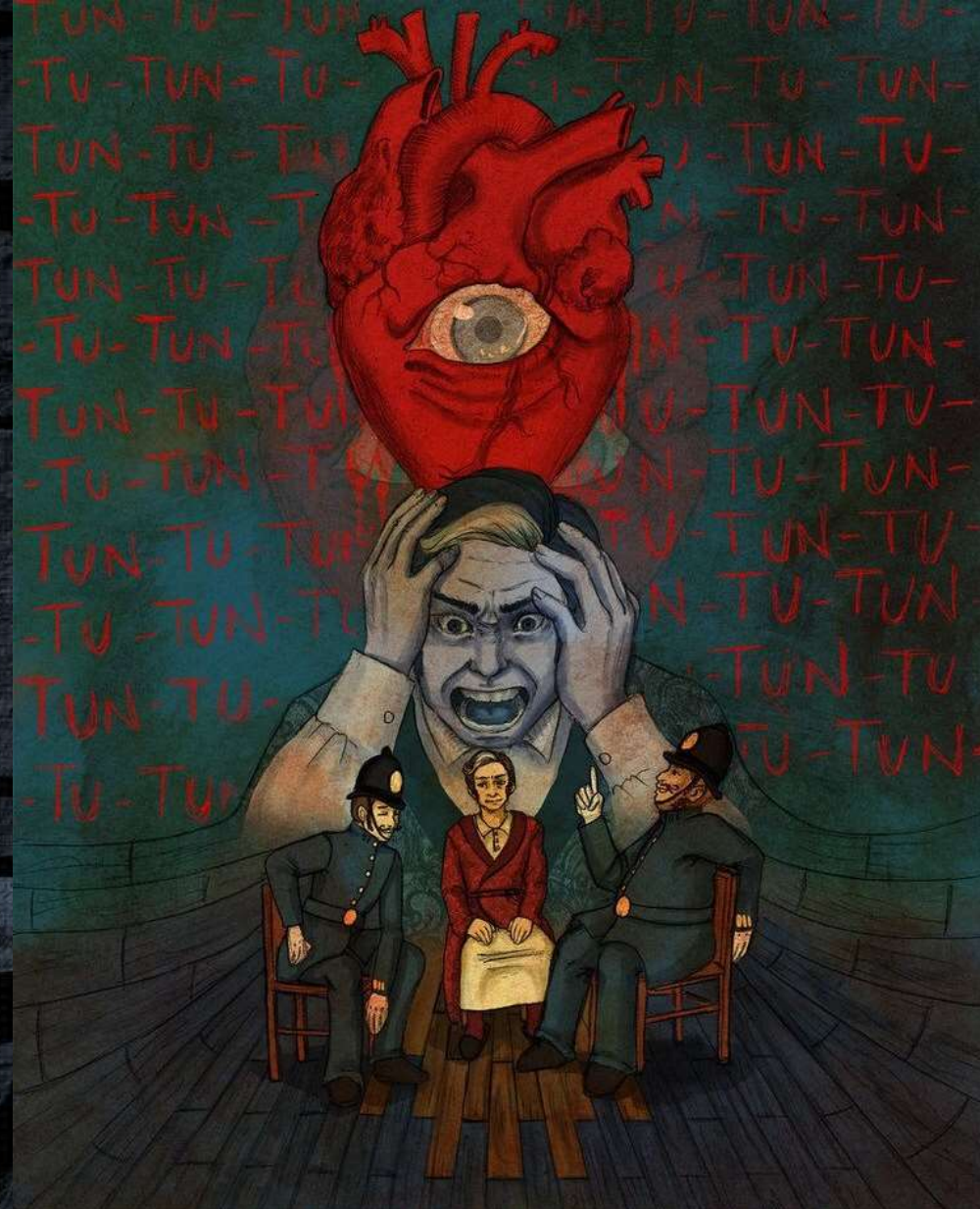
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2 Peter 3:8-12 (ESV): “Finally, all of you, have unity of mind, sympathy, brotherly love, a tender heart, and a humble mind. **9** Do not repay evil for evil or reviling for reviling, but on the contrary, bless, for to this you were called, that you may obtain a blessing. **10** For ‘Whoever desires to love life and see good days, let him keep his tongue from evil and his lips from speaking deceit; **11** let him turn away from evil and do good; let him seek peace and pursue it. **12** For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous, and his ears are open to their prayer. But the face of the Lord is against those who do evil.’”

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Acts 24:16 (ESV): “So I always take pains to have a clear conscience toward both God and man.”

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“It grew louder – louder – louder! And still the men chatted pleasantly, and smiled. Was it possible they heard not? Almighty God! – no, no! They heard! – they suspected! – they knew! – they were making a mockery of my horror! – this I thought, and this I think. But anything was better than this agony! Anything was more tolerable than this derision! I could bear those hypocritical smiles no longer! I felt that I must scream or die! and now – again! – hard! louder! louder! louder! louder! ‘Villains!’ I shrieked, ‘dissemble no more! I admit the deed! – tear up the planks! here, here! – It is the beating of his hideous heart!’”

(From Edgar Allen Poe’s short story *The Tell-Tale Heart*)

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VOICES
OF CONSCIENCE
MAKE
SUBCONSCIOUS
NOISES.

MAIN POINT



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Romans 7:23 (ESV): “I see in my members
another law waging war against the law of
my mind and making me captive to the law
of sin that dwells in my members.
24 Wretched man that I am!”

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2 Peter 3:13-17 (ESV): “Now who is there to harm you if you are zealous for what is good? **14** But even if you should suffer for righteousness’ sake, you will be blessed. Have no fear of them, nor be troubled, **15** but in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect, **16** having a good conscience, so that, when you are slandered, those who revile your good behavior in Christ may be put to shame. **17** For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be God’s will, than for doing evil.”

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Proverbs 14:10 (ESV): “The heart knows its own bitterness, and a stranger does not share its joy.”

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2 Peter 3:18-22 (ESV): “For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit, **19** in which he went and proclaimed to the spirits in prison, **20** because they formerly did not obey, when God’s patience waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was being prepared, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were brought safely through water. **21** Baptism, which corresponds to this, now saves you, not as a removal of dirt from the body but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, **22** who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers having been subjected to him.”

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Acts 10:43 (ESV): “To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

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John 5:24 (ESV): “Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life. He does not come into judgment, but has passed from death to life.”

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Hebrews 9:14 (ESV): “How much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to serve the living God.”

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Hebrews 10:19-23 (ESV): “Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus, **20** by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain, that is, through his flesh, **21** and since we have a great priest over the house of God, **22** let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. **23** Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful.”

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TALK SENSE
TO YOUR
CONSCIENCE.

APPLICATION

Titus 1:13-15 (ESV): “Therefore rebuke them sharply, that they may be sound in the faith, **14** not devoting themselves to Jewish myths and the commands of people who turn away from the truth. **15** To the pure, all things are pure, but to the defiled and unbelieving, nothing is pure; but both their minds and their consciences are defiled.”

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Romans 8:31-34 (ESV): “If God is for us, who can be against us? **32** He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? **33** Who shall bring any charge against God’s elect? It is God who justifies. **34** Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died – more than that, who was raised – who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us.”


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