

"Bare Naked"
Genesis 3:8-15
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Uncle Floyd, Barabas and Gator were having breakfast when Francis, Uncle Floyd's brother, who lives with them, came down to eat! Francis usually does not eat with them.

"I reckon it is good to see you Francis! How's your job at the retirement home working with the 'extraordinary, gargantuan, indefatigable, unruly dishwasher ... patent pending'?"

"Augh" said Francis. He sounded irritated, but then, he often does sound irritated.

"Aren't you usually off to work by now?" questioned Uncle Floyd. "Augh" said Francis again.



After some silence, Gator and Barabas went back to talking about Family Camp at Nawakwa in August. By the way, in case you don't already know, a week at Camp Nawakwa or Camp Kirchenwald may be one of the BEST things you'll do all summer!! Pick up a brochure after church today!

"I love it when we all sing after meals in the dining hall," said Gator. "And hiking to Upper Temple is good exercise!" "Yes!" agreed Barabas. "And I love when we have Bible Study and then play games with the counselors. And swimming every day is fun!" And Uncle Floyd agreed!

"Maybe you could get some time off work and come too?" said Gator to Francis.

"No need." mumbled Francis. "What is up?" Uncle Floyd questioned again. Francis spent a long time just looking at his bowl of cereal without answering. (has this ever happened to you?) But finally, he said: "I am tired of that stupid 'extraordinary, gargantuan, indefatigable, unruly dishwasher ... patent pending' and almost quit my job last night."

The whole mood in the kitchen changed. This was a big deal. It had taken Francis a long time to find this job and now he wants to quit it!

"And I don't want to go to Nawakwa either!" Francis said louder than necessary. "I hate the stupid showers in the men's room." Everyone looked at Francis. So, he explained further: "You have to be bare naked in there."

"Of course, you have to be bare naked to take a shower!" laughed Gator. Francis glared at him!

"I reckon you could walk up to the shower house early in the morning with me, when there is hardly anyone else there." said Uncle Floyd. "Most people do not like to be naked in front of other people. That is normal. And we can shower with our backs to each other. Does that sound like a plan?" Francis kind of shrugged his shoulders, but it seemed like a hopeful sign.

You know, when we were born, we were bare naked! God did a good job creating our bodies. That is one reason it is important to keep our bodies in good shape by eating a healthy diet, getting plenty of sleep, pooping every day, brushing our teeth, taking a shower and exercising every day for the rest of your life!

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