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The good news is that **God in His grace is able to make something out of nothing.** Martin Luther once said, “God created the world out of nothing (Heb.11:3) and as long as we are nothing God can make something out of us.” Here is some advice for anyone who considers himself a V.I.P. (Very Important Person): *Sometime when you’re feeling important, sometime when your ego’s way up; sometime when you take it for granted that you are the prize winning “pup”; sometime when you feel that your absence would leave an unfillable hole, just follow these simple instructions, and see how it humbles your soul. Take a bucket and fill it with water, put your hand in it up to your wrist. Now pull it out fast and the hole that remains is the measure of how you’ll be missed. You may splash all you please as you enter, and stir up the water galore, but STOP and you’ll find in a minute, it’s back where it was before.*

May we never forget that our Saviour, the high and lifted up One whom Isaiah saw (Isa. 6:3; John 12:41), humbled Himself for our sakes, and was obedient unto death, even the death of the cross (Phil. 2:8).



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