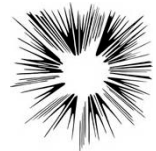




# Grace Snap Shot



*"Viewing life through the lens of God's grace!"*

## The Bottle Lady

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Most days of the week there is a little lady who walks down the road past our home on her way to the bottle depot. She is either carrying a long pole with bags of bottles tied to both ends or pushing a shopping cart full of bottles with additional bags of bottles hanging over the sides and ends of the cart. It's quite a sight to see. I'm sure the amount of bottles that she transports weighs as least as much as she does. I'm not sure where she gets all these bottles from but it is definitely hard work for the amount of money she gets out of her daily routine.

Today, as I stood in our kitchen I heard a clattering sound from outside. As I looked out our window I could see our little bottle lady was having some difficulty. One of her bags of bottles which had been attached to her shopping cart had come undone and bottles were rolling downhill in several directions. As soon as I could get my slippers on I was out the door and offering help. As the lady scrambled to pick up her bottles I held the shopping cart so it wouldn't roll down the hill. It was very heavy.

I couldn't help but notice Jesus in the moment. When you realize He is your life you come to understand that every moment is sacred (holy, divine). It's not so much what you're doing that determines this but who you're in. In just one week I went from making public speeches, recording comedy sketches at a TV studio, doing household chores, having dinner with my wife and oldest son to helping the bottle lady. None of these activities were more sacred than the other. Jesus was in each moment expressing Himself through me. I wonder what divine moments you'll experience this week. I encourage you to rest in Christ and find out for yourself.