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I really want to speak positively about Christmas. It is the greatest story ever told. It is the greatest intervention ever attempted to save mankind from himself. It is the greatest, most complete demonstration of love ever witnessed. It is the greatest act of humility ever demonstrated in the world. It is the most effective and longest lasting rescue ever attempted. It is the most personal involvement of God in all history. And I could go on. There is nothing, absolutely nothing, that compares to God sending his one and only Son to us to redeem us for himself. There is no revelation of and from God greater than his Son sent to us as one of us, to die for us, so that we can live with him eternally.

It is because of this truth that it grieves me so much to see Christmas demeaned to the point that, for so many, this celebration has become nothing more than a time to party, to celebrate romance, to gather together as a family, or to exchange gifts with nary a mention, or sometimes even an awareness, of the true meaning of Christmas.

I was made keenly aware of this as I watched the animated movie, Shrek the Halls, a 2007 production that follows Shrek as he attempts to learn about Christmas for the first time. Not once in the movie was there even an illusion to Jesus as even remotely a part of the Christmas story. He was totally and completely omitted from the meaning of Christmas, implying the fact that he, Jesus, was irrelevant.

I know, as I write this article, some of you may become defensive and say to yourselves, "It is just a child's cartoon. It's no big deal." Be that as it may, unarguably young minds are influenced and formed by children's cartoons. Furthermore, why would the writer not even secondarily allude to Jesus as being a part of Christmas? I hope in your Christmas celebration this year, Jesus is at least included in it, maybe even with a more central part as in the past. Have a Merry Christmas.

Written by George Jaderston and paid for by donations from supporters.  
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### Behold the Christmas Spirit

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### BARN OWL

#### My Brother's Keeper

Humans are one of a few species that will care for children that are not their own. Even apes and gorillas, our closest relatives in evolution, will not offer that care.

Most of us at one time have seen something unfair happen in front of us. Maybe a kid is pushed down on the playground or picked on during the bus ride to school. We know a person who was shunned or tormented in class because they were different. And we decided to stay quiet and not try to stop it.

California activist, Tracy Mayne, writes about psychology and politics. He tells of a time he saw a terrible event on the playground. Later his favorite teacher pulled him aside. She looked into his eyes and said "After Cain killed Abel, God asked Cain where Abel was. Cain responded - am I my brother's keeper? The answer was yes - yes you are." She expected more of her favorite student.

Cain's reply to God is understood to mean, "why should I care about the welfare of anyone but myself?" Cain decided he could murder his brother because he didn't think he had an obligation to protect him. God banished Cain for it. The message was clear -- you are responsible for helping and protecting others.

To be your brother's keeper - is the heart of our social contract as a caring society. When someone comes upon hard times, we are obligated to help them. When bad things happen to good people - or to bad people - we help them. You like them or not, you help them. Whether they look like you or they look different, you help. It doesn't matter if they think like you or not, you help. You don't get to pick your brothers and sisters.

Sadly, while the U.S. government has never been all that good at holding to the social contract, **it is worse now.** The US Agency for International Development, which provided care and hope to the world, has been closed. Cuts to Medicaid and to SNAP hurt people you may never meet. Emergency relief for disasters has been cut. Money has been taken from what the President calls "Democrat programs" although the programs actually serve everyone.

Those in power have decided their first loyalty is to their leader and to their own families. They forget we are here to look out for each other.

They have moved a rung back down the evolutionary ladder.

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**JACKSON CO. HCE** (Home and Community Education, formerly Extension Homemakers) are welcoming new members. Groups meet on a regular basis to study issues that affect their families and community. For more information, call Rita at 715-299-5052 or Cheryl at 715-299-2380.

**VETERANS IF** you are a disabled veteran and meet VA income and asset guidelines, you could qualify for a VA pension. For more information or to see if you qualify. Contact Jackson Co. Veterans Service Office at 715-284-0225.

**KARNER BLUE** Garden Club meets the second Thursday of each month April to Oct. For more information, time and place, call Carol at 715-670-0585.

**IT'S HARD** to talk about being abused. Sometimes it's even harder to know if what you are experiencing is abuse. But you don't have to face this alone. There are safe places where you can begin to sort it all out with complete confidentiality. Bolton Refuge House in Eau Claire and New Horizons in La Crosse, Sparta and Whitehall all offer support groups and individual sessions for women who are experiencing physical, emotional or sexual abuse in their relationships. For more info contact the program closest to you. Eau Claire- Bolton Refuge House 1-800-252-4357. New Horizons: La Crosse, Sparta & Whitehall 608-791-2600 you may call collect, JC Outreach 715-333-2350. Crisis hotline, 1-855-526-5866 or 1-855-5BOLTON.



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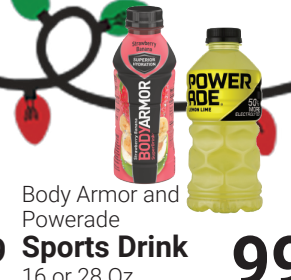
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Served 11am-1pm  
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