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What happens if a Coronavirus Vaccine is Never Developed? It Has Happened Before.

by Don Aguiar.

The first thing that disappeared was the annoying sound of a power drill up the street, from a house under construction. Then the newspapers. Then the fruit sellers, the taxis, the rickshaws, and chicken. Day by day, life under coronavirus lockdown took away something else, usually something good. And nearly six weeks into it, much of this country is still frozen.

In many cities like Mumbai, practically nothing is moving on the roads. People stay indoors, as instructed, emerging only to collect the basic necessities. They have not left their house for a month.

All the airlines are grounded. Schools and offices are closed. The only businesses that are operating are food shops, pharmacies and banks. The banks have lines running out the door and down the sidewalk where white circles have been spray-painted for people to stand in, six feet apart, like little islands.

The other day, we drove to Mumbai's outskirts. No teeming crowds and riotous traffic. There seems to be a national aversion to sticking to your lane, so I felt almost guilty blazing down an empty highway, past miles of shuttered shops, with no one to cut me off.

Whenever we turned off the highway, every village, no matter how small, was barricaded — some with oil drums, others with rope. Behind the barricades stood villagers carrying sticks to keep strangers out and wearing fraying bandannas over their faces, the virus vigilantes.

Even the sky above us is different these days, now with so few cars and factories running, the air is cleaner

than it has been in decades.

I asked my driver if he had managed to get outside. "No." Did his neighbours? Again, "no."

His answer came quickly: "Everyone's scared. People are saying if they get sick, where will they go?"

That explained a lot. It explained why I wasn't seeing anyone in my neighbourhood venturing into the parks or strolling under the banyan trees. It explained why few people were testing the lockdown limits. It's not that they are automatically more willing to follow the rules than say, they are more scared. They're scared of catching a highly contagious disease, and they don't trust that a beleaguered health care system will save them. Or they're scared about how they'll pay for it, even if they get the care they need.

India has a lot of great doctors, but the ratio of doctors or hospital beds per person is much lower than in the West. And many people survive on a few rupees a day.

The government is trying to loosen the national tourniquet and reopen some industries, such as agriculture and select manufacturing. But many Indians don't want to take the tourniquet off, even if it is stanching the economy's flow. A good chunk of the population has decided that the best way to protect themselves is not only to stick to the lockdown rules, but to go above and beyond them, like the volunteer virus squads that sealed off entire villages.

There is so much suffering around me, just a few days ago I met a mother and her 9-year-old daughter moving from spray painted circle to spray-painted circle down a sidewalk in a food line. The mother was a maid who had lost her job because of the lockdown. They

had zero money, and I could tell from how listlessly they accepted their two chapattis and two lumps of potato curry that they hated taking hand outs. Behind them, in the bright sun, were hundreds of people just like them, marching slowly forward.

As countries lie frozen in lockdown and billions of people lose their livelihoods, public figures are teasing a breakthrough that would mark the end of the crippling coronavirus pandemic: a vaccine .

But there is another, worst-case possibility: that no vaccine is ever developed. In this outcome, the public's hopes are repeatedly raised and then dashed, as various proposed solutions fall before the final hurdle.

Instead of wiping out Covid-19, societies may instead learn to live with it. Cities would slowly open and some freedoms will be returned, but on a short leash, if experts' recommendations are followed. Testing and physical tracing will become part of our lives in the short term, but in many countries, an abrupt instruction to self-isolate could come at any time. Treatments may be developed -- but outbreaks of the disease could still occur each year, and the global death toll would continue to tick upwards.

It's a path rarely publicly countenanced by politicians, who are speaking optimistically about human trials already underway to find a vaccine. But the possibility is taken very seriously by many experts -- because it's happened before. Several times.

There are some viruses that we still do not have vaccines against, we can't make an absolute assumption that a vaccine will appear at all, or if

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it does appear, whether it will pass all the tests of efficacy and safety.

It's absolutely essential that all societies everywhere get themselves into a position where they are able to defend against the coronavirus as a constant threat, and to be able to go about social life and economic activity with the virus in our midst.

Most experts remain confident that a Covid-19 vaccine will eventually be developed; in part because, unlike previous diseases like HIV and malaria, the coronavirus does not mutate rapidly.

Many, including National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases director Dr. Anthony Fauci, suggest it could happen in a year to 18 months. Other figures, like England's Chief Medical Officer Chris Whitty, have veered towards the more distant end of the spectrum, suggesting that a year may be too soon.

But even if a vaccine is developed, bringing it to fruition in any of those timeframes would be a feat never achieved before.

We've never accelerated a vaccine in a year to 18 months, it doesn't mean it's impossible, but it will be quite a heroic achievement.

It's been very difficult to develop vaccines for the common rhinoviruses and adenoviruses -- which, like coronaviruses, can cause cold symptoms. There's just one vaccine to prevent two strains of adenovirus, and it's not commercially available.

You have high hopes, and then your hopes are dashed. We're dealing with biological systems, we're not dealing with mechanical systems. It really depends so much on how the body reacts.

If the same fate befalls a Covid-19 vaccine, the virus could remain with us for many years. But the medical

response to HIV/AIDS still provides a framework for living with a disease we can't stamp out.

If a vaccine can't be produced, life will not remain as it is now. It just might not go back to normal quickly.

The lockdown is not sustainable economically, and possibly not politically, so we need other things to control it.

That means that, as countries start to creep out of their paralyzes, experts would push governments to implement an awkward new way of living and interacting to buy the world time in the months, years or decades until Covid-19 can be eliminated by a vaccine.

It is absolutely essential to work on being Covid-ready, a new "social contract" in which citizens in every country, while starting to go about their normal lives, take personal responsibility to self-isolate if they show symptoms or come into contact with a potential Covid-19 case.

But if previous outbreaks have proven anything, it's that hunts for vaccines are unpredictable, no vaccine has been developed quickly, till date and it would be really amazing if we had something in 18 months.

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Modern Science is Built on Christian Foundation!

The National Catholic Register — a service of EWTN (Eternal Word Television Network) presented a concrete statement on 06 May 2020 regarding science and religion:

"It is fashionable nowadays, especially for atheists scientists to make claims about the utter incompatibility between Christianity and science ... However, not only are they 'compatible', but to say otherwise, is a self-defeating proposition and a historically illiterate notion!"

"Eminent physicist Paul Davies in his 1995 Templeton Prize addressed: 'All the early scientists such as Newton were religious ... Science can proceed only if scientists adopt an essentially theological world view!'"

"One leading philosopher of Science, Thomas Kuhn (1922-1996), clarified the medieval milieu in his book, *The Copernican Revolution*: "The Copernican theory evolved within a learned tradition sponsored and supported by the Church (pg. 106) ... an unbounded faith in the power of reason to solve the problems and mysteries of nature (pg. 123)."

"In my research, I have discovered that Christian theists were the founders of at least 115 different scientific disciplines — (Allow me, the author of this Letter to quote a few with a medical background) - Comparative Anatomy (George Cuvier); Bacteriology (Louis Pasteur); Cardiology (William Harvey); Genetics (Gregory Mendel); Neurology (Charles Bell); Pathology (Maria Bichat, Thomas Hodgkin, Rudolph Virchow); Physiology (William Harvey); Surgery (Ambrose Pare); Transplantology (Alexis Carrel)."

Our Lord cautioned: "Woe to you experts in the law; you have taken away the key to knowledge which you have not entered, and you have hindered those who were entering" (Luke 11:52).

—Dr. Trevor Colaso,
Bandra(W), Mumbai



Opening of liquor shops a boon to many states

It is a well known fact that anything done in moderation is not harmful. So is the consumption of alcohol which is a well-accepted social custom in many countries including ours. Several states in India have however banned the sale and consumption of alcohol for different reasons. Some, because of alcohol-related ailments and deaths and the ruin of families. Gujarat on the other hand introduced prohibition to uphold Gandhian values, even though the policy flopped miserably and only encouraged smuggling and bootlegging in the underworld. Mumbai is also a glaring example of how prohibition was a total failure and helped only the police and bootleggers. The disastrous effects of consuming illegally distilled 'hooch' in states that have introduced prohibition are also too well known to be ignored. Secondly, several states depend to a great extent on revenue collection from the sale of liquor. Goa is one such state which cannot afford to ban the sale of liquor. The 40-day lockdown and the shutting of liquor shops has proved disastrous to many states that have cried out to the Centre for aid because of their dried up coffers. The timely action of the Centre to permit the opening of liquor shops has come as a boon to these cash-starved states and therefore needs to be appreciated. If social distancing in some states was not observed due to the mad rush at liquor shops, it is the fault of the local police. There was no such problem in Goa. Calling for a total ban on liquor on such grounds is therefore a totally misplaced concern. People do not get infected only at liquor shops.

—A. F. Nazareth,
Alto Porvorim

Ban Alcohol Worldwide

The lockdown is still going on in India but liquor shops have been opened and people are standing in huge queues right from morning to purchase a bottle of it, even though the price has been hiked.

The Holy Bible and the Holy Koran forbids the consumption of alcohol but we still see several Christians and Muslims consuming it.

Some people just can't do without alcohol and they even go to the extent of selling their wife's jewelleryes to get a bottle of it.

Just as the Holy Bible tells us that all drunkards will burn in hell, the Holy Koran also tells us the same thing.

In my opinion, the government of every country should ban alcohol so that the family can live a happy life.

— Jubel D'Cruz,
Mumbai

Mumbai is all set to become another Wuhan?

With 700 new cases of Covid-19 in Mumbai on Saturday, the city is all set to become another Wuhan in just 7 to 10 days time?

If this continues, then after 7 to 10 days, Mumbai will have 2700 to 3000 cases per day and will become the most dangerous city in the world. Most people are taking this very lightly. And they are inviting the biggest

trouble of their life.

The saddest thing is that people in Mumbai are thinking that they will die of starvation if they will not eat vegetables, meat, fish and eggs.

Most of the Mumbaikars are also thinking of going out for 5-10 minutes everyday for buying essentials. This mentality will make Mumbai worse than Wuhan.

If we will not understand this today, then there wont be anything left tomorrow in our hands --- no humans, no money, no future will be left.

Hence, it is better to take precautions at the earliest, then to suffer later on.

—Jubel D'Cruz,
Mumba

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Florence Nightingale's Catholic Connection!

by Dr. Hazel Colaso

Florence Nightingale (FN), the "Lady with the Lamp" continues to inspire! Thus, the WHO – World Health Organization has designated 2020 as the Year of the Nurse and Midwife, in honor of the 200th anniversary of the birth of FN on 12 May 1820. The Theme: "Nurses a Voice to Lead – Nursing the World to Health!" The world's National Nursing Associations and Nursing Now groups are planning hundreds of events to mark 2020. It will also mark the publication of the first WHO State of the World's Nursing Report!

Brief History: In October 1854, as the Crimean War raged, the Catholic Bishop of Southwark, sent a message to London Convents: "I must have five Sisters by seven o'clock tomorrow morning at London Bridge (train station), ready to start for Constantinople." The next day on 21 October 1854, led by FN, a British government sanctioned a party of 38 women headed for the Crimea. Associated were 15 Catholic Religious Sisters. By the 1850's Newspapers had become a global phenomenon, and journalists kept readers informed of the battle in Crimea; later described by FN as a veritable "kingdom of Hell"!

Her Vocation or Call: Although baptized Anglican, FN grew up in a liberal Unitarian family. At 16 years FN experienced what she described as a "Call from God" – a vocation she understood was to help those who were suffering by nursing the sick. Her attempts to become a nurse were thwarted by her rich family, who viewed nursing as socially unacceptable and below their dignity. She however, persevered, and in 1850 she entered for nursing training at the Institute of Protestant deaconesses at the Kaiserwerth in Germany. Thereafter, she travelled



and stayed with the Catholic Sisters of Charity in Paris. It was there she learned the basics of nursing, and the need for good and efficient organization within a hospital setting. FN had medical supplies sent from London to Crimea. Then setting out to Crimea, she and her party began crucial nursing care which was established for the wounded, including sanitary dressings of wounds, and hygienic bathing of patients. When the war finally ended in 1856, FN was credited with helping the mortality rate of those entrusted to her care reduce to just 2 percent – a credible achievement in those days!

The Nightingale Pledge: The Nightingale Pledge 1935, is a statement of the ethics and principles of the Nursing Profession named in honor of FN, which is indeed a modified version of the Hippocratic Oath! Nurses and midwives all over the world earnestly vow before God, briefly to, "abstain whatever is deleterious and mischievous", and to "zealously seek to nurse those who are ill whoever they may be, and whenever they are in need ..." For details refer, "Lystra E. Gretter, The American Journal of Nursing, (1949, pp. 344-48).

Ten Florence Nightingale Quotes: "I attribute my success to this- I never gave or took any excuse.//I think one's feelings waste themselves in words; they ought all to be distilled into actions which bring results.//So never lose an opportunity of urging a practi-

cal beginning, however small; for it is wonderful how often in such matters the mustard-seed germinates and roots itself.//The greatest heroes are those who do their duty in the daily grind of domestic affairs whilst the world whirls as a maddening spinning top.//Live your life while you have it. For the greatest things grow by God's law out of the smallest. But to live your life, you need discipline.//If a patient is cold, feverish, faint, sick, has bed-sores, it is generally the fault not of the disease, but of the nursing.//The most important practical lesson that can be given to nurses is to teach them what to observe – what symptoms indicate improvement; which are of importance, and which are the evidences of neglect; and of what kind of neglect.// The very first principle to enunciate as a requirement in a hospital is that it should do the sick no harm.// Wise and humane management of the patient is the best defense against any infection. //Every nurse ought to be careful to wash her hands frequently; her face too, so much the better for hygiene!"

Catholic Spirituality: Throughout her life FN remained a Christian. She was open to Catholic spirituality, drawn to the 'mysticism' of St. Theresa of Avila, and the 'soldier's exactness' of St. Ignatius of Loyola. But what impressed her most about the Church was the Catholic Religious Sisters, who nursed and cared for the sick and wounded. While at the front, in a Letter to the Secretary of War, she had described her Catholic nurses as being "the truest Christians I have ever met – invaluable in their work, devoted heart and mind, to serve God and mankind!"

As St Paul clarified: "Indeed we were gentle like young children among you; just like a 'nurse' tenderly caring for them as her own children" (1 Thessalonians 2:7).

Sordid State Of Migrant Labourers

Migrant labourers faced a tough time in the aftermath of Corona virus pandemic and the sufferings were too many. Now, the decision of some of the states to amend or even suspend most labour laws to enable industries to function without being trammelled by constraints in order to revive is a right step in the direction. This decision was taken by UP, MP and Gujarat following the dip in the economy. But there is a particular concern is the decision to allow factories to compel labourers to work for 12 hours instead of the present eight hours, a norm that was fixed by the International Labour Organisation itself.

Though industries need some succour from the government, there cannot be any relaxation as far as the welfare of the labourer is con-



cerned. Meanwhile, the Modi government should start withdrawing its lockdown directives. There should only



broad central guidelines in place and the states should be allowed to follow their own strategies for a calibrated opening up of the economy.

cerned. It is also the duty of private employers to look after the livelihood of migrants and provide them cloth, shelter and food during rain and shine. Migrant labourers deserve more than what they chew.

There is no option but to allow migrant workers to return because of the fear that pervades their lives right now. Lockdown has not been kind to them and many are going hungry and living in terrible conditions. After returning home and regaining a sense of security, they will come back to places of work in about 3-4



As India completed the 40-day lockdown, the Narendra Modi government is looking at ways to gradually restart the economic activity. But many large states like UP and MP, which send huge labour workforce to India Inc's factories and construction sites, have started bringing their migrant population back. Centre has told the Supreme Court that migrant labourers do not need to go home as their needs are being addressed.

Basic minimum living conditions would encourage them to get back to work quickly. Currently, the requirement of rent and absence of support while looking for new work in the case of job losses is constraining workers from coming back to zones of employment. We are working with skill missions in states to map the skills of the laborers who are available and accordingly ensure that they reach to the closest places where these skills are needed in industry.

In short, policymakers need to realise that they deal with complete human beings. Unless they are able to vividly imagine the poor as fully human they will never design proper policies to address even their material needs.

C.K. SUBRAMANIAM

WHETHER THERE IS AN URGENT NEED FOR US WHILE FIGHTING THE COVID 19 VIRUS, TO SHED THE FEAR OF THE SAME AND THE RESULTING STIGMA?

by Eric D'Sa

May be the sudden imposition of the country wide lockdown and the strict enforcement of it with the messages that were being put out to the masses, many of whom had no knowledge of the same until the lockdown was announced, is inflicting additional damage on our society. The message of caution repeated often on TV and in News Papers, is in some places resulting in paranoia. The shocking images of a person flinging water bottles and biscuit packets towards people at a quarantine facility in Agra that was shown on many of our TV channels, points to many things that are going wrong in our country. These days even leper's and HIV patients are not treated as badly in the institutions that look after them.

Those who were supposed to be kept in isolation just because they had come in contact with a Covid patient, were seen squashing against the iron grill, desperate to fetch the food and water on the other side. The district administration has since claimed that the issue has been resolved, but not before officials betrayed their paranoia. The hapless, fenced off people were even blamed for getting restless after their food was delayed by several hours. Infected people and even health workers taking care of them are facing in many places dehumanising treatment from the rest of the society and they are often housed in a revolting environment in some cities.

It is not surprising that the above has happened in UP. The densely populated heartland of India has a history of bad governance. The shared character of weak State capacity across Bihar, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan and U.P. has been left unattended by successive governments. The only reasonable goal of the prolonged lockdown could have been buying time for shoring up the lim-

ited hospital resources, which is a function of the political leadership. The data presented by the Cabinet Secretary last week reveal a very dismal level of preparedness by U.P., Bihar and Madhya Pradesh, while Rajasthan has managed things better by creating temporary facilities and ramping up existing ones.

Most States in India are however treating the lockdown as the solution to the pandemic and not just a means of flattening the curve. The Centre needs to

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demonstrate leadership in ensuring that States scale up their capacities and communicate this to the public. It needs to particularly reassure health-care professionals that everything possible is being done to protect them.

Besides the fear psychosis that is now growing severely undermines efforts to fight the virus and creates many other problems. The stigma around Covid patients and the fact until recently even young patients with a mild attack were forced to move into a public hospitals with poor facilities, is actually discouraging people from coming forward for testing at an early stage. If such cases remain unreported, then the reported gains in controlling the disease through the lockdown will be nullified.

There needs to be a campaign led by the Prime Minister to erase the stigma against patients, and to mitigate the fear of the pandemic itself. The difference between caution and paranoia needs to be emphasised. In India's particular social context, the notion of social distancing has only added to the disease stigma. The Prime Minister has called for social solidarity in the face of the

pandemic more than once last week, and that message needs to spread. If the fear psychosis among our people is not reduced, even when lockdown is eased or removed, the economic activity will be far from normal and this more than the deaths caused by Covid 19, will cause the deep recession in the country.

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Nobody expected Corona virus will cause such a crash in sales of cars in the months of March and April and it is really pathetic. When people find it difficult to get the necessities, who will go for a purchase of car. The total slump is due to the financial market falling over throughout the world and there is no immediate solution to the peculiar problem. When there was steep rise in petrol and diesel prices, people still were going for purchase of a car but the position is not so sound as of now. The craziness for purchasing a car had gone during this Corona time and the cars already purchased are standing in the parking lot and even dusting them is a tough time at the time of pandemic.

The automobile industry witnessed one of the sharpest declines in domestic sales in March and the trend continued in April as well. The month of March was one of the most challenging months for the auto sector as the 21-day lock down resulted in bringing the production and sales of vehicles to a standstill. As the revenues took a severe hit the manufacturers are struggling to meet fixed cost and working capital requirements. As per our recent information, the auto industry is losing ₹2,300 crore in production turnover for ev-

ery day of closure, and the industry is in talks with the government for policy measures which could minimise the impact of Covid-19 on the economy, especially to the auto industry.

The industry was already reeling under a severe de-growth and disrupted supply chains because of the pandemic. This was followed by the majority of the auto companies announcing a shutdown of their manufacturing units due to concerns over ensuring the health of their employees. From March 25 onwards, India has also been under a nationwide lock down. Car manufacturers can simply think of a miracle to touch a better position before the year end. The madness for buying car is over. The sales and promotional policy of car manufacturers should change drastically to make up the loss in the remaining months of the year. As of the position is just discouraging.

The country's largest car maker Maruti Suzuki India reported zero dispatches to dealers in the domestic market in April 2020 amid the nationwide lock down to control the spread of Corona virus. This was because in compliance with the Government orders all production facilities were closed, The position is going from bad to worse as

the lock down will continue till 17th May and the position is not going to improve drastically in the next six months. Once upon a time banks were providing best Management Information system which will be help the decision making process of Maruti Udyog, which comprises the details of Cars sold on daily basis and out of which how many Zen, how many Omni and how many Maruti 800 were sold, which includes even how many white cars, red, black and blue cars were sold. Now the position is showing nil and there is no need of a MIS.

But one this sure. The prices of cars will come down drastically when the car manufacturers launch winter sale of cars. Renault Duster 2018 launched was supposed to cost Rs.8 lakhs and above. The new Maruti Ertiga ranging from 7 lakh rupees to 11 lakh rupees. New Ford Aspire from Rs. 6 lakhs onwards, Mahindra S201 from Rs.7 lakhs onwards. Now it is time for slash in prices with heavy discounts in the offer. Let us hope that the manufacturing industry boost will see crazy cars get the top most preference in the days to come.

—C.K.SUBRAMANIAM

Vignettes Of Spiritual Deliverance From Dangerous Times

With human compassion some of us are often able to observe with concern the passivity of a world in chaos and fear when dark despairingly shocking times break upon routine lives, and everyone wants to know what went wrong.

That is what happened when COVID-19 came upon a frustrated humanity not prepared to handle a pandemic in their generation. The unavoidable enemy is an invisible virus rampaging war on innocent lives, on sinners, murderers, corrupt individuals and debased agents of dirty politics who feel that lust for personal power is more important than the lives of blameless persons who they consider as “collateral damage”, nothing more.

The virus did not leak out of a facility in Wuhan it has been said, it was created by an insane scientist who is now a victim of his own creation. Who are we to believe? One gentleman asked “Tell me how to identify fake news?” silence echoed his lone words.

Of its very nature the news can be a hazard. John Doe remarked, “The media is to blame. Tell me how else would the press survive?”

Fake news continually breaks the boredom of monotony and intrigues the reader to imagine he has discovered news of intrinsic value. It further



BY MELVYN BROWN

helps to disturb the idea of unity and self-regard, causes a string of social upheavals, adds to the paralyzing reason of organized religion and is the seed for undisputed and baseless logic.

However spiritual this might sound, nevertheless the last word is to believe and trust in God, providence and prayer. God created us. The Holy Spirit guides us. Angels protect us. The Holy Rosary is the weapon to destroy evil. The miraculous rewards of true faith are beyond the human ability

to equate. The plenitudes of Catholicism are always a comfort to the faithful. The Cross and the Eucharist are the two great fortresses of the Christian faith.

The Blood of Christ can drown and wash away any evil on earth. The Virgin Mary, Mother of Christ is our divine intercessor and is always with us should we turn to her. It is said, ask and you shall receive.

When a person suffers in body and mind, and states, God will see me through, is a pre-eminently spoken truth. His simple words said in faith and trust triggers a spiritual force to connect with the almighty. Instantly the impossible is made possible.

When you appeal to the Blood of Christ your prayers go to the Creator, for the Blood is God's Blood which flowed in the veins of Christ His Son. Jesus shed God's Blood for the forgiveness of our sins, for salvation and redemption. Christ, the Messiah, was both, divine and human, God and man.

The various features touched upon may lack the absolute acceptance from scholars and doctors of the Church, but they do unlock the necessary solutions we need to defeat a pandemic with the power of the supernatural in trust, faith, prayer and sacrifice. I feel the new world to come out of the darkness and the void will not open up to an abyss or nothingness, but to the presence of God.

“Dignified Work for All”

To mark the feast of St. Joseph the Worker (01 May), the Italian Christian Worker’s Association, brought a statue of St. Joseph to the chapel of Casa Santa Marta, the Pope’s Vatican residence. At the start of the Mass, Pope Francis noted that it was the feast of St. Joseph the Worker and Worker’s Day! (Some excerpts):

“Let us pray for all workers, especially that all may be paid a just wage. May they benefit from the dignity of work and the beauty of rest. With this image of St. Joseph, tools in hand, may men and women not work as slaves.”

“Reflect on the creation of man and woman in God’s image and likeness (Genesis 1:26-2:3). Note how the Bible used ‘work’ to describe God’s creation – Work is exactly the continuation of the God’s work. Men and women act as co-creators, capable of creating many things, particularly a family!”

“Human labor is the first vocation that mankind received from God. – ‘To till this garden of Eden (earth), and to maintain it’ (Genesis 2:15). Work thus contains goodness within itself. However, the noble dignity of work has been trampled upon throughout history. Take the example of slaves brought from Africa to the Americas. They were forced to work in degrading ways.”

“Every injustice inflicted on a worker means an affront to the Divine mercy of the Almighty! However, there are also fine businessmen and women engaged in the struggle for justice in the workplace; and who also guard the workers as if they were their own children!”

—Dr. Trevor Colaso,
Bandra (W), Mumbai.

One Wish

Of there's one thing you would wish
at the time of your death
Wish for the company of **Family**
Because that is what you missed out on
In the rumble & tumble of Life, daily!

If there's one thing you'd wish
At the time of your death
Wish for **Love**, for that is what
you missed out in the hustle & bustle of life
Love in your heart was put there with a purpose
Not to be frittered away!

If there's one thing you'd wish
At the time of your death
Wish for **Forgiveness**
For that is what you did not give
In your goodness
Forgiveness works like a Two-way Traffic!

If there's one thing you'd wish
At the time of your death
Wish for **Repentance**
You did not find the time nor the will
while you were at your peak
For, the Heavens rejoice
over one repentant sinner
than a Thousand holy men, rather!

If there's one thing you'd wish
At the time of your death
Wish for **ETERNAL Life**
On Earth our Life is but a journey
A journey to Eternal Life.....
Our Final Dwelling!
But, are we worthy of this Blessing?



Melville X. D'Souza
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Vaccine for Coronavirus is under research in several countries of the world

United States has been worst affected nation followed by the UK, Italy and Spain; as spread of coronavirus shows no sign of slowing down, researchers and various governments are doubling efforts to develop a vaccine

COVID-19 researches across major countries

The United States: The US leads the chart with 209 active case studies going on to develop a vaccine. Pharma giant Pfizer has already injected the first experimental vaccine



on patients in the US. Gilead has ramped-up activities to make virus treatment drug Remdesivir, which has been showing 'very promising' results in a crucial study in the US, Dr Anthony Fauci, the US government's top expert said. Regeneron has also said its 'anti-body' treatment drug could also be available by this fall. Besides, Moderna, Johnson & Johnson and several other bio-pharmaceutical companies have ramped-up efforts to develop the COVID-19 vaccine.

The UK: Scientists at Jenner Institute of Oxford University claim to have made a potential vaccine for coronavirus. Also, UK biotech company Synairgen's drug called Inter-

feron Beta has been injected in patients as part of initial trials, which will show results by June. It's otherwise used for the treatment of multiple sclerosis. UK has pledged 388 million euro to fund vaccine research, tests and treatments. About 31 active case studies for vaccine development are going on in the UK.

Israel: Israeli Defence Minister Naf-tali Bennett claimed the Israel government's Institute for Biological Research (IIBR) has developed an antibody to the novel coronavirus and is going to patent and mass-produce the potential treatment.

China: WHO data says four vaccines under human trials are from China. Except for the DNA-based vaccine attempted by US-based Inovio Pharmaceuticals, all the other vaccines are now undergoing Phase 1 and Phase 2 human

trials together in a bid to fast track the development process. Chinese vaccines under development are from CanSino Biological Inc-Beijing Institute of Biotechnology, Wuhan Institute of Biological Product-Sinopharm, Beijing Institute of Biological Products with Sinopharm, and an independent SARS platform-based inactivated vaccine from Sinovac.

Italy: There are around 59 active case studies going on in the country. A team of Italian scientists claimed to have discovered the world's first vaccine that can neutralise the deadly virus. Italian scientists at Rome's Spallanzani Hospital have claimed that they are the first to neutralise the virus via a vaccine and that the initial results

were "encouraging and beyond expectations".

India: More than 30 vaccines are in various stages of development in India. University of Oxford's vaccine is also being developed with multiple partners including India's Serum Institute of India. The WHO document says out of the 100 projects under pre-clinical stages, Indian companies like Zydus Cadila, Codagenix-Serum Institute of India, Indian Immunologicals with Griffith University, Bharat Biotech with the Thomas Jefferson University, Biological E Ltd, and the UW Madison-FluGen-Bharat Biotech combine are also working on vaccine candidates.

Paper-based strip for rapid, mass, low cost testing for Covid-19

A lab of the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) which developed 'Feluda' — a paper-based test strip for Covid-19 which is named after the fictional detective created by Satyajit Ray — joined hands with Tata Sons for its deployment and widespread use for rapid mass testing on ground as early as this month end. The test has been developed by Kolkata based Debojyoti Chakraborty and Souvik Maiti.

A completely indigenous scientific invention, Feluda; has been designed for mitigating the ongoing Covid-19 situation and to cater to mass testing. Its main advantages are its affordability, relative ease of use and non-dependency on expensive Q-PCR machines.

Feluda; is developed by the the CSIR's Institute of Genomics and Integrative Biology (IGIB).

According to sources it will be available for mass testing sometimes in June 2020 onwards.

Human Life Has No Value



Dawn Of Death

Leaders across the World have had tough decisions to make in this War against Covid Virus. It has left them with a horrible options of having to choose between saving lives and stopping Economic destruction. As most countries enforced lock downs, some are trying to get back to partial sense of normalcy. India should now post May, resume it's economic activities. It can continue to have a blanket ban for large gatherings, and have a set of guidelines which have the restrictions of post Covid Virus life highlighted in Red. Any of them broken, should result in heavy fines. Overall, India should get on with it, as in all probability, 2020 will be a World in which one has to live around this Virus. The cure which has been effective till now, should not be extended any further and thus later developing a chance of becoming worse than the disease. It is time to follow lock down 3.0 more serious to avoid further extension in lock down and follow government strictures more seriously. We are facing ensuing monsoon season and it is matter of great concern to carry on with present recovery rate, curtail Corona deaths and make life more peaceful rather than the present crisis like situation.

We received reports of lakhs people dying because of Covid-19 all over the world. In India we battle out the grim situation with lots of opposition and resistance. The lock down

3.0 should see light at the end of the tunnel and we must see to it that the migrants should go back to their places by the end of this month. We look forward for normal situation before the monsoon season. In the wake of hardship to migrant workers we can console and cajole at this hour. The industries in India should start production and the Corona curve should be flattened. More over a suitable vaccine should come to our rescue and an appropriate medicine should fall in line to curtail pandemic deaths in the near future.

Unforgettable, tragic episode and the responsible people somehow find an escape route and the net result people suffer and money power speaks. A sordid reminder of Bhopal carbide tragedy took place three decades ago, ultimately the victims suffered and many families were wiped out. More than a dozen people dies adding to the misery of Corona virus deaths. During the Bhopal Gas leak, the government and the SC had cheaply freed Union Carbide from her liabilities allowing hundreds of thousands poor Indians to suffer and die for years. This time, the government, NGO and the Court must take a serious look and make the South Korean Company LG to take full responsibility of the disaster and pay the damages to all diseased, injured and many who will develop medical conditions due to this negligent act. We must keep our corrupt officers away from making any

deal with the LG Company. At this hour, the human race is preparing to overtake Covid 19 yet another big hurdle. Pray for the innocent lives, to what extent will we digest the loopholes in our system which makes certain stakeholders to benefit from the same. Industrial policy and its connected ends need to be technologically with socially advanced. We feel bad to hear about this sad tragedy episode. Let the people know the antidote immediately to recover. God, save the people affected by this styrene.

To salt to the wound, the deaths of migrant workers on the track jolted our confidence already down with Corona spread. Sixteen migrant labourers died after being crushed by a goods train at Aurangabad's Karmadin Maharashtra. The group was sleeping on the railway tracks when the incident took place. The accident left 16 migrant workers dead and one injured while three others survived. All of them were working in a steel manufacturing in Jalna, a district adjoining Aurangabad in central Maharashtra, and were heading home in the amidst of corona virus-enforced lock down. So one more tragedy awaited gas tragedy and the human life has lost value. The mistake lies with people also. Despite stern warnings social distancing is not followed and wearing of mask is not considered an important one. Even though some of them die of starvation, the majority of the people were looking when the shops of liquor and wine shop opening and there were serpentine Que all over for getting the drink of their life. Again, residing near a gas plant is always a dangerous thing to do but still people prefer such places and faced death. Sleeping on the track is as good as inviting death. The train services started for the migrant labourers proved to be their death knell as well. The survival instinct has reduced life continuously prompting us to wait to live another day.

C.K. SUBRAMANIAM

Rediscover The Importance Of Sunday



Sunday newspapers across the nation in these times run approximately 58% higher in circulation than its normal readership, not because it's a Sunday edition, only because it keeps the reader in touch with the Corona scare and its impact and disruption in our routine lives.

This article is not about newspapers and Corona statistics it's about the First day of the week, Sunday. The amazing importance of Sunday is that it commands the first boost given to the days of the week ahead. At this juncture we will delve into the history of Sunday in liturgy and in some cases literature and expression.

The Resurrection of Christ was on Sunday. It was on Sunday our Lord was raised from the dead (Mk.16:9). A common expression among Christians is, Resurrection Sunday.

In the Gospel of John and also in Acts of the Apostles, it is mentioned that Jesus was glorified on Sunday. I also found it amazing that the Holy

Catholic Church was officially begun on Pentecost Sunday.

Jesus was Crowned King on Sunday (Acts.2:33 – 36). As Christians in union with Christ we trust and believe in God's divine plan that the Biblical significance of Sunday is placed in the expression, "the Lord's Day."

The messianic entrance of Jesus Christ into Jerusalem was to fulfill his Paschal Mystery on Palm Sunday. The Jews kept the Sabbath (on Saturday) for rest and religious worship from Friday evening to Saturday evening.



BY MELVYN BROWN

Catholics keep Sunday as a day of obligation to rest, pray and attend Holy Mass, to make a good confession and to receive Communion; the sacred Body and Blood

of Christ, in memory of his passion, death and resurrection.

The early Christians broke bread on Sunday. It is truly remarkable how time between the Lord's Resurrection to Pentecost, was in counting 50 days from Sunday to Sunday.

I have often heard people intone after Sunday Mass, in Latin, Gloria in

excelsis Deo (Glory to God in the highest). By doing this we make the sacred (Collect) moment radiate the glory of the Risen Lord.

The Apostle Peter first preached about Salvation on Sunday. (Acts 2:1, 38, 40-41).

Sunday has played a role in the English language, and it has caused me to meditate on the many expressions we have with the word Sunday in it : A month of Sundays, Sunday Christians, Sunday School, Palm Sunday, his Sunday's best, and so on.

A child born on Sunday is "Sunday's child is fair of face, wise and good and having grace."

This reminds me when Men of Letters put Sunday between their inspired quotes: Joseph Addison remarked, "Sunday clears the rust of the whole week."

Albert Schweitzer said:" Do not let Sunday be taken from you. If your soul has no Sunday it becomes an orphan".

The American poet, Henry Wadsworth Longfellow once wrote: "Sunday is the golden clasp that binds together the volume of the week."

After the Resurrection of Christ it is written that early Christians assembled three times on Sunday and on the Ascension, not on the Sabbath. We know that the Holy Spirit came upon the disciples on Sunday. (Act. 2:1-4).

There is a growing body of opinion that Sunday means the 'Weekend' – it is much more as we have seen.

In January 2020, the Union Cabinet approved extending the limit for allowing abortions from the present 20 weeks to 24 weeks. The news was flashed by the media on Sunday, sadly enough.

Railways Role Of Rescue, Relief, Rehabilitation And Now Return Of Migrants

Indian Railways plays a vital role in the economy and the lives of people in India. While the overall inter modal share of rail in freight traffic is around 35 per cent, it continues to account for a major share in transportation of bulk commodities – such as coal, iron ore, cement and food grains – which are drivers of the economy. In the wake of Covid-19, the Railways had done its share of service to the society and the yeoman service include rescue, relief, rehabilitation and now the return of the migrants all stage managed in a well planned way and provided the best support to the government and the medical fraternity and thereby helped our Corona virus patients in the best way possible.

Railways had converted 5,000 coaches into isolation wards for those infected with Corona virus and is likely to deploy them in rural areas after consultation with the health ministry in a proper way. The railways has set a target of converting 20,000 coaches to counter the pandemic, of which 5,000 coaches with 80,000 beds are ready to be deployed to help out hospitals to reduce the influx of patients for tests, admission and for quarantine facilities. The idea of converting these coaches was to ensure that in rural areas, in regions where medical facilities were not available, care for COVID-19 patients could be provided. The health ministry will guide them to deploy these trains. Now it will be up to the Railways to maintain

them and make sure they are in good condition.

The year 2020-2021 will see the national and international economy bear the impact of the Covid19 pandemic, which will also reflect on the transportation sector, including Indian Railways (IR). The economic impact of this pandemic is likely to linger much longer



than the pandemic itself. Railways has taken up crisis to seize opportunities. IR has the choice to consider the current crisis as an opportunity and completely overhaul its passenger and freight transportation segments. This is the right time to look beyond the current year and chart a growth map for the next five to 10 years.



Jayanthy Subramaniam

PM Modi's key concern at this discussion was how to contain the Covid-19 spread in case the virus spread to rural communities with hardly any serious hospital infrastructure to treat respiratory distress. His key concern at this discussion was how to contain the Covid-19 spread in case the virus spread to rural communities with hardly any serious hospital infrastructure to treat respiratory distress. PM Modi had been thinking five steps ahead. PM Modi had figured it was inevitable that there would always be people who, despite the government's best

efforts, would not adhere to the lock down. And the government should be prepared.

Many of the migrants would be travelling anyway for harvesting work, ensuring them an income and the nation its food supply. Several states need to harvest the rabi crop, and are anxious about labour supply during lock down. There is talk of phased restoration of certain industries. The best way to make this viable may be to utilise the railways. India's entire passenger railway network is under lock down. The tracks and infrastructure have endless spare capacity, allowing much faster transit than normally.

One could reach most points in Bihar from Delhi in 10-12 hours on a non-stop, point-to-point run. Even Thiruvananthapuram to Bihar might be possible in 30 hours. Railways came to the rescue act.

The Indian Administrators and the Indian Railway authorities are stranded to handle emergency situation, developed due to the Pandemic declaration. Indian Railways (IR) arranged and delivered 20 Litres of camel milk, that too in record time for the needy autistic child. And now the Indian Railways had taken up meeting and to move the stranded migrants, in tens of thousands, to their native places. Now that Indian Railways has proved that it has come to the rescue in great measure and make the life of people somewhat easy from sickness and played a pivotal role in sending the migrants back to the pavilion. Railways really dis yeoman service and there is no doubt about it.

Saddest part of lockdown is that you can't say I'm busy, I'll call you later.

The new name

Wife was checking her husband's phone and saw a contact named COVID19 and she called the number and her own phone rang

Be safe

The coronavirus has a very big ego, he will not come to your house unless you go out and invite him. Stay home!

A kid asked me, what is stress? I locked him in a room with high speed internet connection and 1 percent mobile battery.

Rahul: Bro my girlfriend left me!
Richard: Didn't you tell her about your millionaire uncle?
Rahul: Yes I did, she is my aunt now.

Women are so difficult Always changing their mind... At 18, they want handsome men. At 25, they want matured men. At 30, they want successful men. At 40, they want established men. At 50, they want faithful men. At 60, they want helpful men. Men are very simple.. Never change their taste... under any changing condition. At 18, they like pretty young girls. At 25, they like pretty young girls. At 30, they like pretty young girls. At 40, they like pretty young girls. At 50, they still like pretty young girls. At 60, still they like pretty young girls. Dedicated to devoted and focused men.

Anger management

Angry with someone?

Think before you talk.

If the person is junior to you count up to 10 and then talk.

If the person is 'equal' to you count up to 30 and talk.

If the person is your senior, then count 50, then talk.

If the person is your wife. Keep counting don't talk!

If the person is your husband. Keep talking, don't count!



The hard truth

Ramesh talking to Suresh, "Years ago, a Saint said to me, "Son, you will have so much that you'll not know where to keep, you will be sharing and sharing and more will come to you. You'll have enough and more than you can ever handle. It will never end ..." I was dam thrilled.

Today after many years I understood ... That he was talking about WhatsApp messages."

The symptoms of Coronavirus are sweating, weakness, diarrhoea and stomach pains. Basically it's the same kind of feeling you get when you see your wife checking your phone.

Today's generation next

Today A three year old can unlock a mobile open and close apps all alone. At that age, I ate sand.

A very honest suggestion from a hospitalised husband.

Even if your wife uses dual sim phone save both the numbers under one name: Wife Never save it as Wife 1 and wife 2.

Forwarded from a hospitalised husband.

My parents didn't force me to study as much as Facebook forces me to install messenger.

Wives hate retirement
They get twice as much
husband and half as much
money.

Wife to husband: I told him to study, you will get a good wife. He said dad studied a lot look at what he got!

I love sleeping
You don't spend any money
and you don't miss anyone.

Stop editing your pictures.

What if you go missing?
How can we find you
if you look like Angelina Jolie
on Facebook
and potato in real life.

Legal opinion

A wife asked a legal opinion from her lawyer husband on why wives are supposed to cook food for their husbands. He said, "According to the Geneva convention all prisoners must be provided with food".

Height of optimism

A man marrying his own secretary thinking that she will still follow his orders as before!

Girls can't remember
where they left their hair clip but
they remember what you said four
years ago on Monday at 7:11 pm.

When a girl doesn't reply to my texts
I feel so honoured
I made her speechless.

Husbands working from home:

Children indoors
Malls closed
Movies closed
No outside food

Wishing strength to all the women To deal with this sudden calamity.

Newton's law of quarantine:

A body at rest will continue to be at rest until the wife notices and finds some work for him!

Weakness versus strength

My wife is my strength. All the other women are my weakness.

Ursuline Nun dies due to pneumonia after transplant

- Ivan Saldanha-Shet.

Just a few weeks ago the story of Ursuline Franciscan Sister (UFS) of Mangalore, donating her kidney successfully to a younger nun from the north east was published and appreciated. After much effort the Kidney transplant was done successfully. It was a shock to note the news of the sad demise of the Kidney recipient nun is Rev Sr. Irene Laldinmawii, UFS on May 1 at 7 PM, She hailed from Serchhip, Mizoram in the NE corner of our nation India, has her aged parents, three brothers and a sister, one among her brothers is a



diocesan priest in Aizawl, Mizoram - she was a courageous handmaid of the Lord.

Sr. Aurea, Donor speaks : Indeed it is sad that Sr.Irene has passed away - yet, to me and many aware people it is something that has changed life, changed it to be more positive, specially now with the specter of 'COVID-19' looming large, it is the Lord's own lessons must not discourage one with what comes from 'His Will' - Thy Will be Done, pray always. It was a privilege to take up the responsibility of training the Sisters of the Congregation from their basic formation to ongoing formation over a period of two decades. As a Councilor in General council for 12 years, Central Delegate Superior for six years, and being the Superior of Holy Rosary Convent in the city. At present a member of the Congregational Retreat Team, the kidney donation has

been an inspiration from the Lord himself, an edifying experience also for those around and aware.

Sr.Aurea explained, "Sr Irene Laldinmawii, joined the Ursuline Franciscan Congregation in 1994, for the NE province. I was then the formator in the Congregation. My close contact with her was during the year of her tertianship in preparation for the Final Profession in 2002. During that year we built a spiritual bond that has lasted. Every time she came for holidays to Mangalore she never missed an opportunity to spend time with me. While she was serving in a Senior Citizens' Home in Italy she developed health problems and she returned to Mangalore for further treatment. In 2016 she was diagnosed as having Chronic Kidney Disease and was treated at Fr Muller's Hospital, Mangalore. In April 2019 she was advised alternate day dialysis as that was the only means. It was at this time we were having our Lenten Spiritual exercises and my personal reflections during this time of grace were geared around 'Meaning of Life' which caused me to offer my kidney if it was pleasing to the Lord, and things moved successfully."

The allograft procedure for the kidney transplant saw tireless efforts by the team of doctors, after precise documentation and verification. The Karnataka state-level Human Organ Transplantation Committee in Bengaluru praised the act. The transplant took place on February 16, 2020 and both nuns were discharged from hospital on March 6. All necessary



procedures and protocols were followed as per the government's directives for Kidney transplant. Much effort and work has gone into all aspects of the transplant and the experts have done well and nothing was left to chance. It could be that Sr Irene was rendered weak due to the long illness and transplant procedure, she was basically frail and delicate in constitution and the present tense lockdown environment too told on her and she developed a lung infection which took her away before more could be done. All possible to preserve life went into this great effort, God's ways are not man's ways and so matters came to a head and Sr.Irene was taken away unexpectedly to God's house and it is sure she rests in peace among the blessed. On May 2, forenoon, She was interred at the Ursuline plot at Rosario Cathedral Cemetery in the city, among many saintly nuns who preceded her over the years. Sr



Irene will be missed for a long time to come.

(Information & Pictures by Ursuline Congregation, Mangalore)

INNER STRENGTH

This life is your best teacher and the world is the best playground or place where you learn every second.

There is no fixed syllabus and examination. There is a lesson for you every moment and the same keeps changing as you lead the life. There is an inherent experience which makes you wise and pushes you forward to better state. Even if you fail to learn today the nature is so patient waiting for you to learn and make you successful. You may find difficulty in learning or there can be disappointments but know that it is a trial of your faith in Self.



C.K. Subramaniam

Every unpleasant incident or temptation is a test of your "Inner Strength".

Your life itself approaches you with "Patience" which is the greatest quality of a teacher. This makes you face the "Teacher i.e. Life" boldly and leap forward. The cowardice in you is removed by the life itself through the experiences you gain. Have trust in you and proceed forward

which itself will clear all hurdles created by you.

Strength, power, force, might suggest capacity to do something. Strength is inherent capacity to manifest energy, to endure, and to resist. Power is capacity to do work and to act. Force is the exercise of power: One has the power to do something. He exerts force when he does it.

Being strong means having the resources, the mental skills, and the physical capabilities to confront difficulties of all kinds. When you are strong, you have the ample excess of energy and stamina, so that when facing a challenge that depletes you of energy and inner strength, you still have enough left in you to act.

Resilience, perseverance and tenacity - what all these words have in common is that they give me a sense of deep inner-strength. It's the power one has to deal with difficult situations; to give their all to a business idea or a goal; or to dedicate everything they've got in taking care of their family. It's the strength one has to fight injustices; or to work for humane treatment of humans and animals. It's the perceived strength one must have to overcome life's challenges.

We do need that inner-strength in today's modern life, don't we? From dealing with the cranky child to the colleague who is always running late on projects to the customer who seems to be communicating with us with anger and impatience, to the spouse who seems to us to be nagging us - and then all of this and more happening all at once.

Inner-strength is a skill because it is something we can learn to refine and because it is an art form. It is one of those things that we never learned growing up unless we saw adults embodying this invaluable treasure. There lies the real success in inner strength.

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Mom, I love you

I didn't chose you, but almighty gifted me a magic genie and that was you.
From the day I was knit in your womb
You have pulled me together and cared for me.
9 months in your womb
Forever in your heart
With endless prayers you have protected me for better.

You have played with me, washed me , fed me and kissed me.
You have held my sweaty hands
And washed my smelly feet
With the same smile every time.

You taught me to read and write
You put me through best education
You corrected me,punished me and moulded me.
After all that you were the one who wiped those tears with me.

*You cooked countless meals without hesitation.
You bore all my tantrms and teenage doubts without any frustration*

You faced my naughtiness in younger days
And the bluntness of my teenage years
You spied on me at times
And peeped for hours through the tiny window waiting for me to return home.

You taught me to cook and clean
You taught me how to smile even when everything around was sometimes just pain.
Despite of your own sicknesses and hardships you stood by my side.

When I left the comfort of our home to be a bride
You cried
You looked in my eyes and said you missed me.
I never knew then what you meant and I simply sighed.

In my new home though everything was well and fair.
There was a void no one could fill.
For the first time I realised how difficult it was to live without you.
I realized cooking was not as easy as shown in cookery show
Washing vessels was indeed tiring.
I missed every bit of you.
And then I realised what you meant when you said you would miss me

I missed your warmth and touch
I missed those scoldings and shoutings
I missed the last piece of cake you always left for me
I missed the best piece of chicken that you always hid for me.

Staying far away from you made me realise wat you had always meant to me.
Selfless, sacrificing and ever loving
That's always been you.

There can be none like you.
I know one day I shall stand were you stood.
Holding a tiny beautiful little babe in my hand.
My heart in my hand
And then I shall be all that you are..

Thank you for being you
Remember this piece of your heart loves you
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6532 BANGALORE : Mangalorean RC Spinster, Only Child, (Born in December 1976), Ht. 5' 2", Wt. 58 kgs, Fair Complexion, Edn. M.A. Communication, working as an Assistant. Contact email : ashajob@hotmail.com

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6748 MUMBAI : Goan RC spinster, (Born in March 1987), Ht. 5' 3", Wt. 65 kgs, Fair Complexion, Edn. B.Sc., with Dip. in Software Testing, working as a Test Engineering Specialist at a MNC. Contact email : thomasdsouza18@gmail.com

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From Bahrain and now a quarantine life for this techie lady



Kottayam, May 9, 2020: For Aneela Mathew, after almost 75 days of hectic work in the IT department at a bank in Bahrain, it was a keenly awaited trip back home. But to reach her home in Kerala's Kottayam it will take many more days, as she is now put up at a state managed quarantine centre, near here.

She landed at Kochi around 1120 p.m. on May 8 night and by about 4.15 a.m. she along with eight others are now been quarantined at a retreat centre of a Church organisation about 25 km from her home, near Kottayam.

For the 25-year-old techie lady, working with a leading IT firm at the Technopark campus in the state capital, it was a happy moment when she boarded her flight on her maiden foreign trip in the third week of February.

But she never thought it would be a short lived happiness, as after 10 days things started to turn bumpy, as by then Covid-19 was spreading its tentacles across countries and was soon declared a pandemic.

"Since we were very much immersed in our work, we did not have much time to think of other things concerning Covid-19. But soon things

became tough as lockdown norms in Bahrain became stringent. Again it did not affect us, as we had a task to commission the project we had on our hand," said Mathew.

Weeks passed for her and even though the project that she was assigned got over, and with India closing its airspace, their team of 5 was put into another project and again it was a busy schedule.

"By the time we finished our second assigned work, we had got the news, that all those whose visa has expired will get a preference and three of us got the call from Indian Embassy to get ready to reach the airport, yesterday around noon," said Mathew.

They reached the airport at the appointed time and boarded the aircraft around 4 a.m.

"Once inside the aircraft, we were told to manage ourselves and it was not the normal way things happen inside the aircraft. A small bottle of sanitizer, a small packet of snacks and a bottle of water was kept on the seat. By 11.20 p.m. we reached Kochi," said Mathew.

"Once outside the airport, we had to carry our bags and when we sought

help from the policemen who were standing there, to place our bag inside the bus, they said – help yourselves. That came as a shock. For the first time we felt we were looked down upon. Inside the bus was just the driver and we were nine as passengers," said Mathew.

The bus had a police jeep in the front and back and after a two hour drive it reached the retreat centre.

"Here also there were three staffers who were standing and giving us directions from a distance. We were told to go to the third floor. When we said it would be difficult to carry our luggage to the third floor, they said then you can take any room in the ground floor. We were given a room, which has three beds. My colleague and I are now sitting in the room. We were given a good breakfast also," added Mathew.

"The journey and the experiences I have had, will surely make me a strong person, as these will all go as memorable moments, which one has to really experience to understand the emotions," said Mathew.

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Mentality: North VS South Indian

DIFFERENT PEOPLE HAVE different mindset of thinking and different mindset leads to different mentality. As Indians are also have diversity in culture, so here we are highlighting the difference in mentalities of two Indian cultures, that is North Indian and South Indian.

India, being one of the diverse countries, is a home to many different religions, languages, and customs and of course culture for more than thousands of years. Different culture leads to different thinking and so the mentality. Hence taking the two cultures into consideration (North and South), we will discuss their mentality difference

Personality

North Indian: Most have them have extrovert type personality, they will open about themselves completely to a stranger.

South Indian: Most of them are introverts. They don't easily trust strangers and will take long time in opening themselves up with others.

RACIAL DIFFERENCE

- When talking about the racial differences, the North Indians are termed as Aryans and the South Indians as Dravidians. In physique as well, there are many differences between the people of the South and North. The North Indians are taller, and more strongly built than the South Indians. The South Indians are a bit darker than the North Indians.

Heart or brain

North Indian: They listen to their heart most of the times. They are instinctive. Most of them take risks and follow their dreams.

South Indian: They follow their brain more than their heart, they calculate all the pros and cons and then they will come to a conclusion. More than following their dreams they follow their parent's version of "their dream".

Show off

North Indian: North India is full of braggarts. No offence but they show off a lot. They will always try to look cool by following the current trend be it in technology, fashion or any other.

South Indian: Their shy personality stops them from showing off and there

are very little people who show off

Spending money

North Indian: They literally blow their money on things they like. No second thoughts only instinctive.

South Indian: Asking parents, convincing them, seeing if they are getting any discount then they will buy stuff.

Parenting

North Indian: No offence but north Indian parents are a little careless. I have encountered it many times. They will let their small kid on an open road without worrying about any other vehicles coming.

South Indian: They will hold their baby on their arms till they become adolescent. Just kidding but they are so over possessive about their child.

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