

Ole Max The Snowman

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On a cold winter's day as gray skies opened and snowflakes began to softly fall all about, the town's people hurried home to bask in the warmth of their family's love as they all gathered around the fireplace and told Christmas stories and drank hot chocolate and eggnog, and as the hours slowly passed by the snow piled higher and higher right outside their front doors.

With each falling snowflake we are reminded of God's creative power and love for each of these snowflakes that seem to fall gently from heaven are individually unique and are one of a kind just like our fingerprints for no two fingerprints or snowflakes are exactly the same.

The next morning as the sunrise peeked the warmth of its face out from behind clouds of gray the snow on the ground shimmered like millions of tiny diamonds on a blanket of smooth, white frosting. The cool crisp morning air makes a person want to take on the world with newfound energy and vigor. The snow is inviting and it brings out a childlike spirit in us all.

Soon people begin going outside to play in the snow. Sleds are shined up and readied for riding; snow angels are all the rage with hundreds of snowballs flying through the air, all of this while a snow fort is being built in the front yard. Families are seen rolling snowballs into great big balls of snow for the creation of Jolly ole snowmen.

Mom brings out a red scarf, a big black belt, a basket, and a carrot, and dad grabs two lumps of coal for the snowman's eyes, O and he grabs a bubble pipe and a big straw hat to boot. The snowmen being built all throughout the neighborhood are a great source of pride and joy for each household.

Now this is the story of Max The Snowman who became something of a legend in these here parts. You see Max was built by the DeRosa family and Ole Max here was a very special snowman indeed. You see Ole Max had a Bible in one hand and a basket of scripture verses in the other. The DeRosa family would write out about 20 scripture verses and place them in the basket that Ole Max was holding. The idea was when someone happened to stop by to pay Max a visit they could take a scripture verse to help brighten up their day.

At first all was normal, then an amazing thing began happening, people began picking scripture verses that matched their particular circumstances in life and when word got out about it Ole Max's visitors went from a few a day to over 100 a day, soon the DeRosa family was writing over 150 scripture verses a day, then the numbers went up to 300 a day then up to 500 a day, soon it seemed everybody in this little town was writing out scripture verses to place in Ole Max's

scripture verse basket, everybody was getting involved, it seemed the whole town had Bible scripture verses on their minds, it was amazing, it kept growing and growing, this lasted for about four months and then the weather started getting warmer and soon Old Max slowly melted away.

Afterward the townspeople were very sad they had grown to love Ole Max. The Mayor of this little town decided to have a statue of Ole Max the Snowman made and placed in the center of town so the townspeople could still go there to get a scripture verse each day. Everyone in the town would write out 10 scripture verses a day and place them in Ole Max's basket so that everybody in the little town would have a chance to be touched by the word of God through His Son's Spirit and Love...Amen

John 3:16 For God so love the world that He gave his only begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

Hebrews 12:4 For the word of God is living and powerful and sharper than any two-edged sword piercing even to the division of soul and spirit and of joint and marrow and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

John 14:27 Peace I leave with you My peace I give to you not as the world gives do I give to you let not your heart be troubled neither let it be afraid...Amen