

## **JUST DOING OUR JOBS**

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I was thinking on my way in this morning how much I wanted to get done today. I had to stop at the grocery store and pick up a few things. Then make a stop at the post office. And, since early voting started this morning, I wanted to get that done. All taking time from me getting to the office and getting down on the things that needed to be done there.

I was able to get the grocery and post office stops covered but when I pulled into the parking lot where the early voting was taking place I could tell the place was packed! After taking the 20 minutes or so for my other stops, I figured the early voting maneuver would have to take place later.

It's important to me, and I hope it is to all of you reading this as well, to vote in our elections. Casting your vote for the candidates of your choice is an opportunity that many countries don't have—or, if they do have elections, the elections are phony and the outcomes are already decided before vote #1 is cast.

Voting is a part of our “jobs” here. No matter our political party affiliation or candidate choices I feel it's important to exercise our rights to cast our votes. I know, one vote will probably not change the outcome of the elections but what if everyone took that point of view? And nobody took the time or cared enough to cast their ballots? Very soon there would no longer be elections and our lives would be governed by permanent officials who would dictate to us how we should live and what our lives should be. BUT—to vote or not to vote isn't the purpose of this article!

Practically every waking moment we have we are given the opportunity to either do something positive, to move the world along in a positive manner, or to do something negative pulling all of us back a little into the fray of anger, resentment and selfishness. In this day and age we seem to be living in a country that is more divided than it has been since the Civil War. Divided politically, divided racially, divided by religions, divided financially and divided by many peoples' selfish wants and desires.

As individuals I doubt any of us will come up with the magic formula for healing our divisions. As individuals none of us will bring peace and happiness to those less fortunate than we are. BUT—as groups of individuals “doing our jobs”, little by little, healing can, and will take place. It all begins, though, with you and me!

Doing our jobs isn't just about going to work and pleasing the boss. Doing our jobs is living for and from the Spiritual place inside each and every one of us! As I have written before, that little smile or “good morning” to someone just might be the catalyst to make that person's day better—and our day as well.

**Taking the time to give the elderly man or woman a hand at the store just may be the event that they remember for a long, long time!**

**We can make a difference—one minute, one person and one positive thought or action at a time! Will we change the world? Probably not—but we will change our world and the world of those with whom we share love and kindness. What if EVERYBODY did that? What a different world this would be!!!**

**It's all as simple as “doing our jobs”—one moment at a time!**

**God bless—**

**All my best—**

**Chip**