

THE FOLDING CHAIR, THE TELEPHONE & THE AIRPLANE--???

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I know--some of you are thinking, "what could I possibly be writing about with an article titled The Folding Chair, The Telephone & The Airplane". Some of you may be thinking, "ol' Chip has finally lost his mind"--and sometimes Rod would agree! But just ponder for a moment what these three things have in common.

At one time none of these objects existed. For the folding chair to exist, first of all had to come the chair. Quite possibly the first chair was a fallen tree or a natural shelf in a cave. For the telephone to exist, there had to have been the possibility of sound traveling through a wire. For the airplane to be invented, there first of all had to have been the technology of "lift". My point here--all of these items, like most everything we have in our tangible world, were first conceived in the minds of people!

Someone, somewhere, took the idea of a chair and had the creative thought--"what if there was a chair that could be folded up and stored in a small space?" Someone, somewhere had the thought, after the knowledge came that electricity could travel through a wire--"wouldn't it be nice to be able to talk to someone miles away without having to make the time consuming and, many times, uncomfortable journey to see that person face to face?" And--somebody, somewhere had to have had the initial idea that "if birds

can fly, why can't we?'

Any tangible creation is first realized in the mind. Without the initial creative thought we would all still be living in the jungles and deserts trying to gather and catch our food with our bare hands! Quite possibly one of the first inventions was the spear, or sharpened stick, used to catch fish and to hunt wild game. That creative idea led to the thought that "if we could make the spear into some kind of projectile, hunting would be a lot easier. Voila! The bow and arrow!

The writer of the Christian scriptures' Book of Hebrews put it this way--

"Now faith is the substance of things hoped for as it was the substance of things which have come to pass--and it is the evidence of things unseen.....For it is through faith we understand that the worlds were created by the word of God so that the things which are seen came to be from those which are not seen."

The creative idea, followed by the faith something can be accomplished, is the beginning of all things! Just as "the word of God" created the heavens and the earth, so we, as co-creators with God, create our worlds from our thoughts, words and actions. FAITH--that we can bring our creative ideas into reality will cause those creative ideas to manifest in our physical world!

Whether we are baking a cake, writing a song or tackling some perceived troublesome situations in our lives, the answers lie in believing in our creative ideas, given to us by the Mind of God, and following through to bring those ideas (things unseen) into physical

realization (things which have come to pass)!

We should live our lives totally open to the flow of our creative ideas and, through our faith we will accomplish them, if we go forward never doubting that those ideas will come to pass! Think positive--act on those creative ideas--and create the life you want to live!

"LIFE IS GOOD--ALL IS WELL--AND WE ARE TRULY BLESSED!" God bless-- All my best-- Chip