

Idiom:

an expression whose meanings cannot be inferred from the meanings of the words that make it up

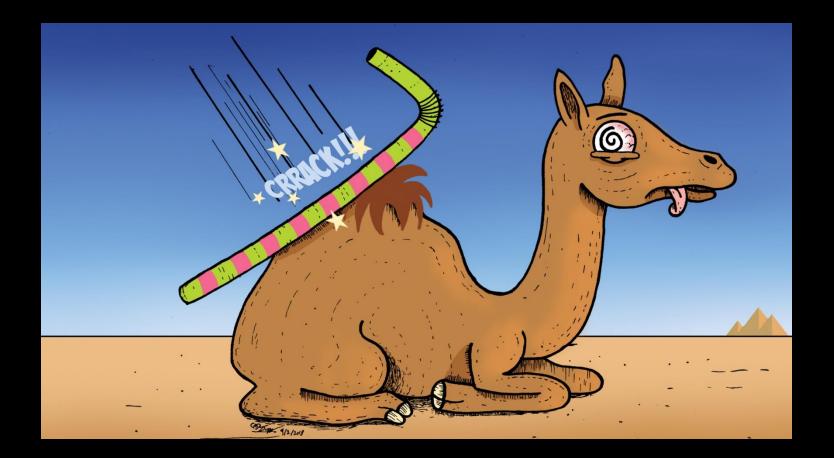
A saying that does not mean what it says

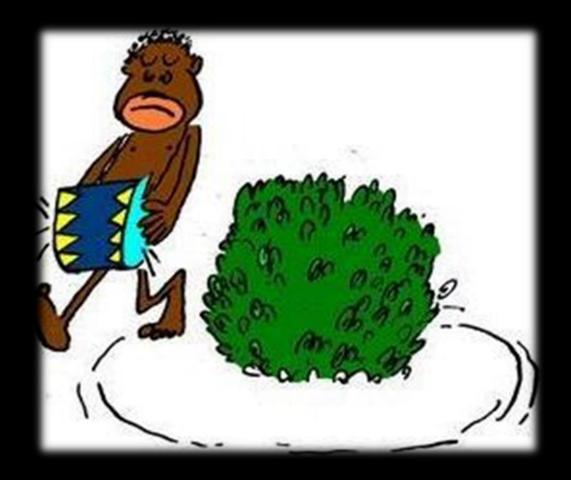
Chasing your tail

Go over it with a fine-toothed comb



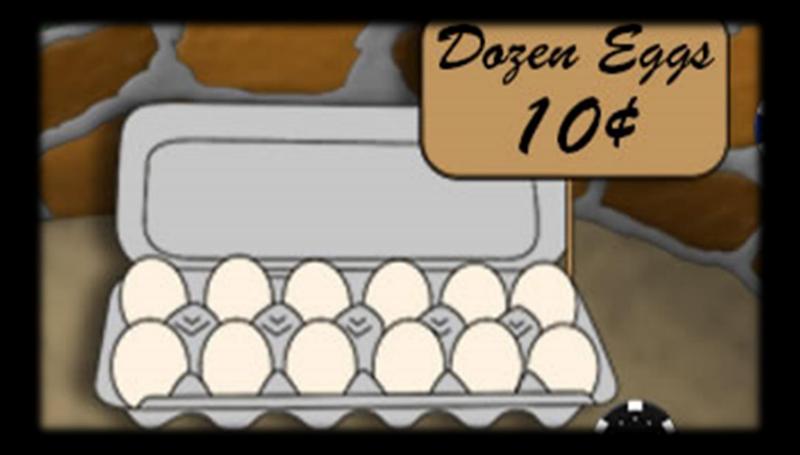




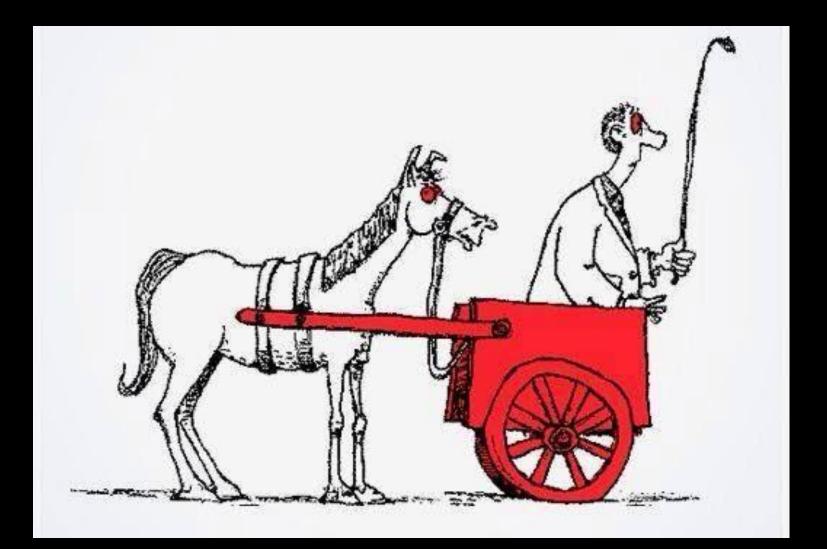
















God's order of sequence is always right

Exodus Records this amazing historical event

A real God working in real time in the lives of real people

Exodus' theme? From bondage to freedom

Exodus 1-6 Slaves to the Egyptians

Separated from where God wanted them to be

>under the influence and direction of the enemy We also see God working and caring for the people who were in bondage God does not wait for people to get out of bondage before He begins to love and care for them

Matthew 5:44-45 But I tell you: Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, that you may be sons of your Father in heaven. He causes His sun to rise on the evil and the good, and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous.

First thing first God loves and cares for people no matter where they are in life

God cares about and for people even if they do not care about Him

Exodus 7-12 The time had come for freedom to be offered

God did the amazing and the amazing provided freedom for His people

Exodus 12:51 And on that very day the LORD brought the Israelites out of Egypt

Acts 13:38-39 Brothers, listen! In this man Jesus there is forgiveness for your sins. Everyone who believes in Jesus is freed from all guilt and declared right with God... (NLT)

First thing first God's will is to set free

God loves so He frees

Exodus 13:17

When Pharaoh let the people go, God did not lead them on the road through the Philistine country, though that was shorter. For God said, "If they face war, they might change their minds and return to Egypt."

First thing first God will build your trust in Him before He trains your hands for battle If we are endeavoring to do battle and we are not trusting God we will experience defeat

Doing without trusting is a recipe for failure

Vs 18a So God led the people around by the desert road toward the Red Sea.

First thing first God leads down the best path Vs 18b The Israelites went up out of Egypt armed for battle. (*as an army*) First things first God will put you with others that are on the journey 1Thessalonians 5 ✓ Encourage one another ✓ Build each other up ✓ Live in peace with each other \checkmark Help the weak ✓ Be patient with everyone \checkmark Be kind to each other

Vs 19

Moses took the bones of Joseph with him because Joseph had made the sons of Israel swear an oath. He had said, "God will surely come to your aid, and then you must carry my bones up with you from this place."

First things first Hang on to at least one promise of God ►I love you

All things are possible

➢I have come into your life to set you free

➢You are not alone

➢You are my child

Vs 20-21

After leaving Succoth they camped at Etham on the edge of the desert. By day the LORD went ahead of them in a pillar of cloud to guide them on their way and by night in a pillar of fire to give them light, so that they could travel by day or night.

First things first God is very creative in His leading

Vs 22

Neither the pillar of cloud by day nor the pillar of fire by night left its place in front of the people.

First thing first God will never stop leading