

Because God Has A Sense of Humor



if you
don't love
me at my

then you don't
deserve
me at my



A devotion for the “big kids” too

Who's Clapping? (by Sherri Langton)

*“We are not trying to please men but God, who tests our hearts”
~1 Thessalonians 2:4*

When I decided to take up drumming, my parents wisely banished me to the basement. Fine with me; I liked the long hours of practicing by myself. But when God called me into music ministry, I exchanged four blank concrete walls for a congregation of two thousand people! I was thrust from privacy into the public overnight.

Though I loved playing, I didn't like being up front. Our worship leader emphasized that the choir and orchestra were playing to an audience of one, that we were to be invisible, so others would see Christ. But I couldn't block out all those watching eyes.

Then came the praise from people. The “atta girl's” pumped up my pride. Before long, I wasn't trying to please an audience of one but trying to gain popularity for *this* one. God knew my heart, and I am thankful that He worked to correct my focus (through a few musical mistakes). I'm still playing drums in ministry, but with a changed heart – one that strains to hear one set of hands applauding...from far above.

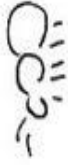
Lord God in Heaven, You alone know who I am on the inside and how others see me. Keep me centered on pleasing You rather than impressing people, on possessing a genuine faith that fuels the gifts You've given me. In the name of Your Son, my Savior, I pray, Amen.

Just for KIDS



Bugs in the Bible

Whether at a picnic, on the beach or playing outdoors, it seems like we're always joined by uninvited guests – bugs!



Bugs and other little creatures are mentioned in the Bible.

*Fill in the blanks with the little creatures mentioned in each verse.
Circle them in the puzzle below.*

Proverbs 6:6 _____ Exodus 16:20 _____

Psalms 78:45 _____ 1 Sam. 24:14 _____

Matt. 23:24 _____ Isaiah 50:9 _____

Judges 14:8 _____ Isaiah 59:5 _____

Acts 12:23 _____ Leviticus 11:22 _____

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Deuteronomy 7:20 _____



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G R A S S H O P P E R N E
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O L S P I D C U S T I D S
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