

Times Remembered **Betty A. Young** BYoung505@Outlook.com

# Camping on Copperas

Several years ago when Bob and I first married we spent the pee formation. weekend camping at his on Copperas Creek. The cious fixings, we were door slammed." quaint, rustic little cabin ready to kick back and sat close to the creek. enjoy the camp fire. The heard this screech-No phone, no TV, no in- sun was beginning to set, ing sound; maybe like door plumbing, just the and the cooking utensils a scream ... it sounded six of us in a small cabin were scrubbed and put close but very faint. Evenjoying each other's away. company and creating memories.

floor plan with two beds, chairs, when someone for him when we heard a couch and table with a mentioned that there him bust out laughing. few cabinets. There was sure was a lot of traf- He was hiding outside no indoor plumbing; fic racing up and down the window with a large therefore we went to the creek that passed by coffee can with a string the outhouse. Bob told the cabin. Where in the in the middle of the can. us there was a woman world were they going? He had made a noise buried next to that out- There were four-wheel maker, he was pulling house. She fell in and drive trucks and four the string back and forth drowned and they just wheelers mostly. left her there. She walks in that open field at mid- approaching, but wasn't was trying to scare us; night on a clear night out yet; were people well, he succeeded! We with a full moon. Yeah, looking for deer to spot- made him sleep outside right!!

cabin's heart consisted poaching could be a pos- poachers that night.

of the recollections of sibility; which is even made the place just be- several hours. ing there special.

type fire to cook our the situation. hamburgers and fried

getting settled all warm except Bob. Where was The inside was open and comfy into our Bob? We all start looking

childhood events that worse. This went on for

About 11:00 P.M. the We arrived in the County Sheriff pulled up afternoon and began while we are enjoying unpacking all of our our camp fire. They becamping gear. The girls gin to ask us questions put clean sheets on the like, what are we dobeds, swept the floors ing there, have we seen and checked for spiders, any people going in and wasps and other critters, out? Duh! Only a dozen while the guys gathered or two. They explained firewood and rocks for there had been reports the fire pitto start the fire. of deer poachers in the Bob, the former Boy area. They proceeded on Scout, built a log cabin up the creek to check on

We decided it was potatoes. The square time to go inside and lock shape acts like a chim- our doors, (there was ney, allowing heat and no lock), and check our flames to escape through weapons; just in case we the top in a somewhat might need them. The uniform fashion and guys were sleeping close is more conducive for to their guns. We thought cooking food than a te- it was funny because every now and then one of After cooking the food, them would holler, "Did Great Aunt's cabin lo- and devouring all the you hear that?" "No, cated in Powell County fried potatoes and deli- what?" "Sounded like a

Then, all at once we ervone raised up in bed Now then, we were and looked around, all that made the scary Deer season was fast sound like a scream. He light? That is against the for a while! By the way, More importantly, the law! Or perhaps, deer the sheriff caught two

# **Decision Time: Mom offers** son two options for dinner



#### **America's** Heartland

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A mother asked her teenage son if he'd like something dinner.

"What are my options?" he asked.

answered.

The Bible makes clear 24:15). that we have a very important "yes" or "no" decision challenge, the people anto make when it comes to serving God. We see that the Lord, for He is our God" in the example of one of the great heroes of the Old Testament, a man named ing when one of God's when you give them the Joshua. He was courageous and faithful to God, and, as a result, was honored more heartwarming when words of encouragement with the privilege of lead- they make the decision to to residents of America's ing God's people into the give their hearts to Him. Promised Land.

and nearing death, he and earnestly considers called all the leaders of the options will choose the Israel together and had a Lord every time. heart-to-heart talk with them, offering a very com- graduated to Heaven, a pelling argument for dedi- new generation of people cating their lives to the had strayed from the faith Lord.

of the incredible things God had done for them over the years, delivering them giving them an incredible decision. homeland. I truly believe it was one of the greatest motivational speeches of all time. In it, he called on the people to put away the Him" (1 Kings 18:21). false gods of neighboring countries.

vou will serve ... but as for "Yes or no," his mother me and my house, we will

> Having heard Joshua's swered: "We also will serve (Joshua 24:16).

It's always heartwarmpeople tells others how wonderful He is. It's even

When Joshua was old one who opens the Bible

Long after Joshua had and were worshipping Joshua reminded them false gods. That's when the prophet Elijah arrived on the scene, and he, like Joshua, called the people to from slavery in Egypt and make life's most important

"How long will you halt between two opinions?" Elijah asked the people. "If the Lord be God, follow

Our relatives and friends and neighbors need to be "Choose this day whom challenged in the same way. They need to choose whom they will serve. Who serve the Lord" (Joshua better to voice that challenge than you?

I'm guessing the teenage son answered "yes" when he considered his mother's options for dinner. And you just may be surprised how many people answer "yes" option to accept Christ.

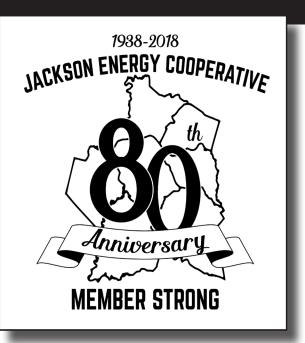
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