



FALLEN

J.T.G.

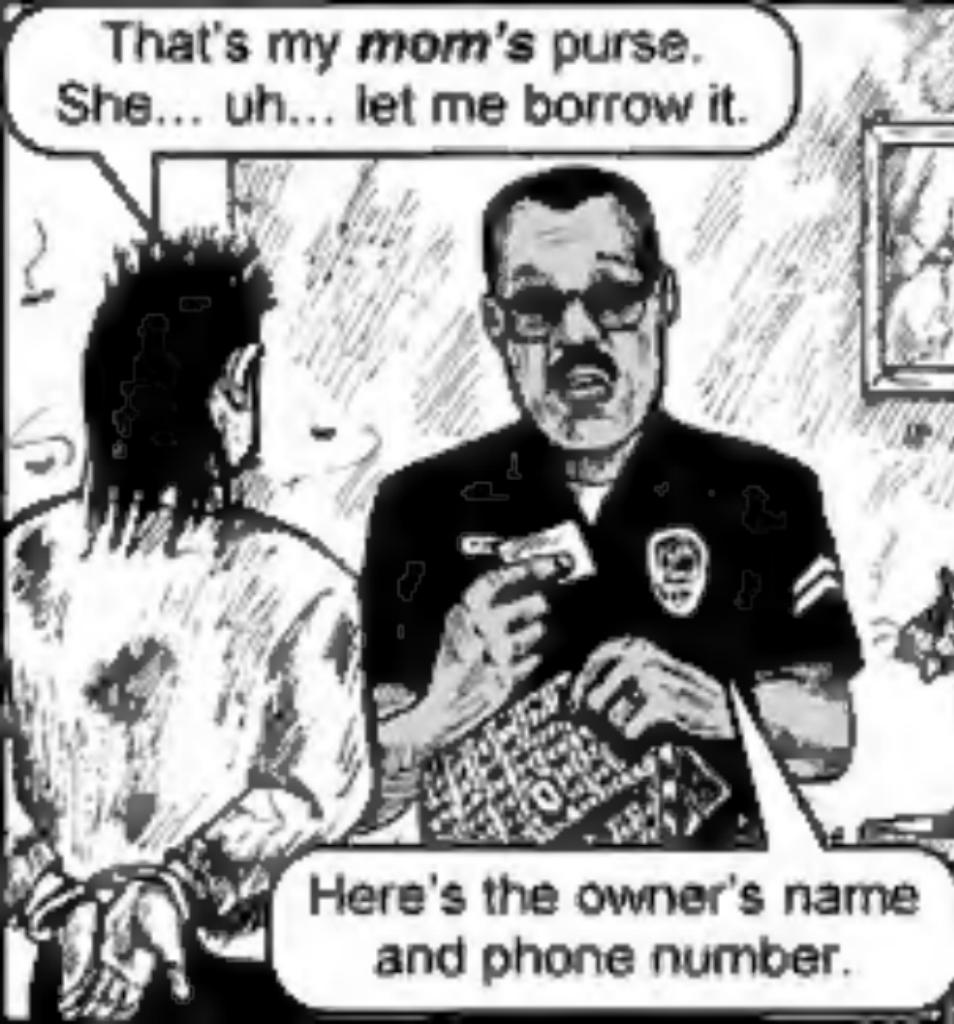


Bye, sucker!

Is that guy wearing
a woman's purse?

Let's check
him out.





That's my mom's purse.
She... uh... let me borrow it.

Here's the owner's name
and phone number.



This is Officer Davis. We found an
alligator purse with your name on
it... Was it stolen?

Oh my goodness!
That was six
months ago. It
disappeared
when my boy ran
away and took
our car.

Have you seen my precious boy?
His name is Bruce.
We love him so much.



He was such an
adorable baby.

Yes, ma'am, we have him in
custody. He claims he **borrowed**
your purse.



Oh... poor Brucey...
Officer, is the \$26,000 still in it?

No, Ma'am! Do you want to press charges?

Oh heavens NO! Tell us where he is... I'll bail him out.



Here's the address, ma'am.

Your mom's flying here to bail you out.

So what?



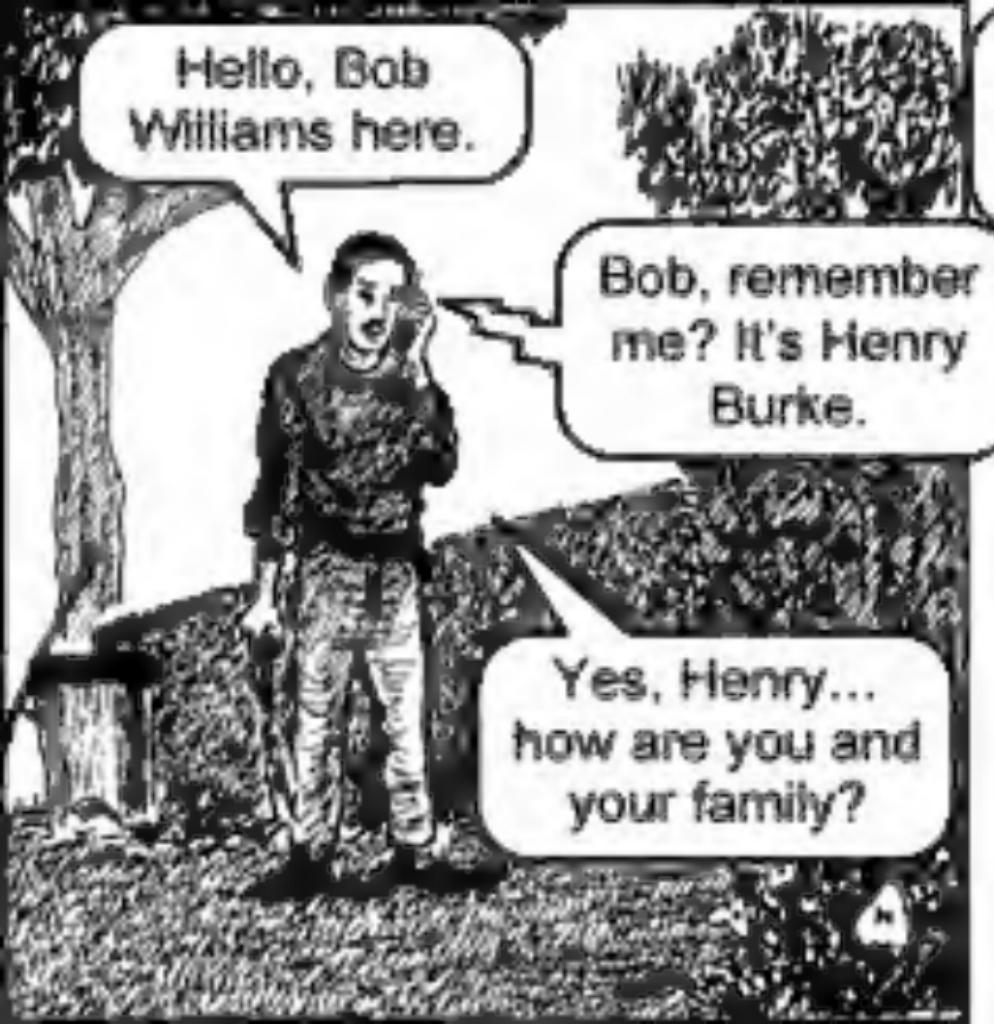
©!!! * * / NO! I didn't ask to be born... It's her fault I'm here.

They never did earn my respect... **I HATE THEM!**

Rotten brat!

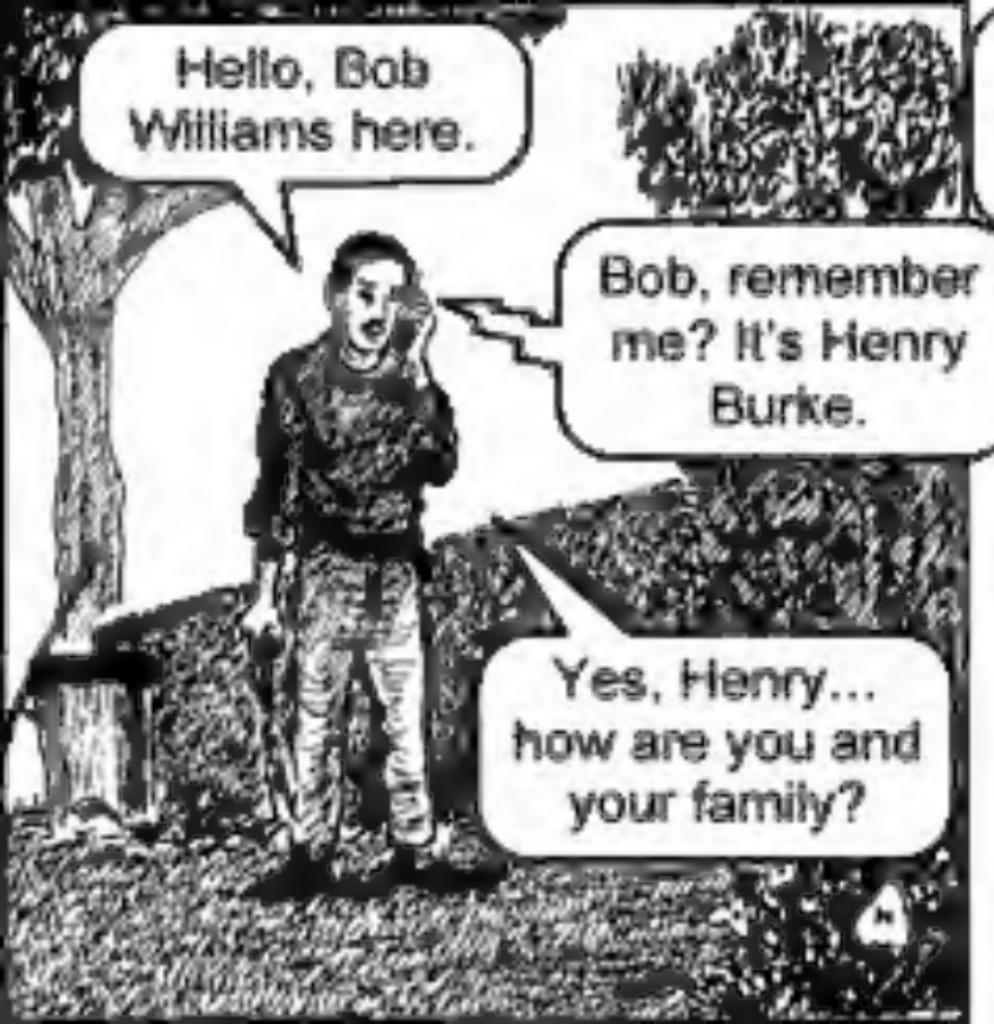
Oh Bruce... I'm **SO** happy my boy is safe. We're going home now.

I got a list of things I want you to buy for me... got my money?



Hello, Bob
Williams here.

Bruce was in jail again. Frances paid
the bond and they're on the way home.
He's totally *evil* and *laughs* at God.



Bob, remember
me? It's Henry
Burke.

Yes, Henry...
how are you and
your family?



He's into drugs, crime and
violence. He hates *everything*
about us but our *money*.



Henry, he's in
trouble with God.
We'd better pray
for him.

OK, Bob, I hope
its not **too late**.

3 hours later

He left me at
the airport.

Honey, where's
Bruce?

I gave him
some money to buy clothes...
he had to meet someone. He said,
"I'll be home soon... **trust** me, mom."

Bruno... it's Frankie. Guess who's in my bar? It's Brucie baby.

I'll be right over!

click!

Bye, bye, Bruce!

20 minutes later

(Gasp!) It's Bruno!

You little rat!
I told you I'd
break your neck!

Grab him!



How do you know

when it's time?



The answer is simple
It's time when you're done.



Back in those days you
were such a tender boy
before the Lord

But you never got
saved. Then you let
Satan get his hooks
into you



I'm gonna tell you something
that will save your neck

Why not? All I got is time
and maybe not much of that
(cough cough')

"A certain man had two sons. And the younger of them said to his father

Father give me the portion of goods that falleth to me "



He was asking his dad for his inheritance, even before his father died. A bad move!

"And he (the father) divided unto them his living. And not many days after the younger son gathered all together,



and took his journey into a far country and there wasted his substance with riotous living " Luke 15:11-13

He became a party animal. Bruce.
The money slipped through his
fingers like water



I love you, baby!

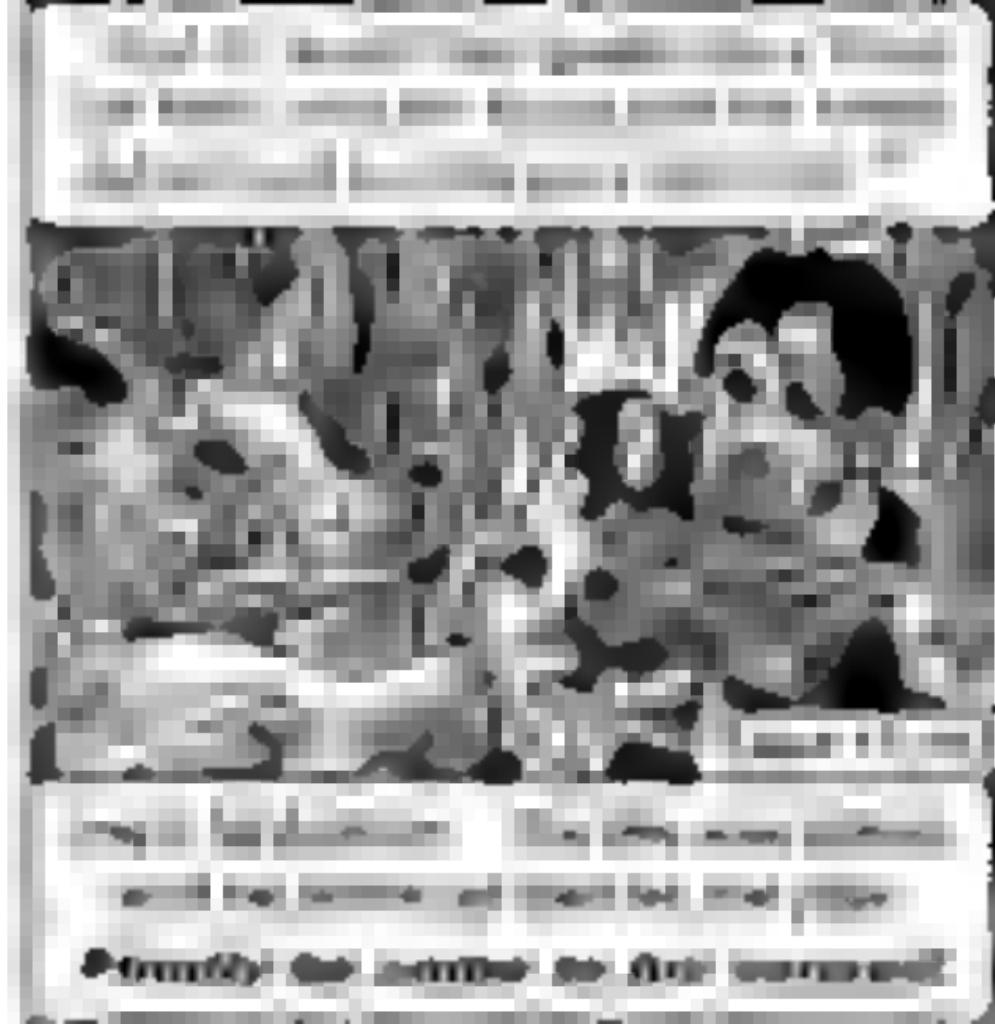
Let's take him for everything he's got

Before he realized it, he was
broke and his "friends" took off

There arose a famine in the
land. Bruce. No rain, no food,
no money the kid
was starving... his
friends hated him.

He begged for
a job and finally
got one a terrible
job that no one wanted.





I have many hired servants whom
father I have bread enough and to
spare and I perish with hunger!



I will go to my father and will say
father I have sinned against heaven
and against thee before thee Luke 15:17-18

Then he said I am the master of all
he called the son make me the
ruler of all the hired servants Luke 15:19



Bruce he realized how
badly he had messed up
it was time for repentance

COMIC STRIP

Repentance? what is that?

That's being really upset and sorry
for the rotten things you've done
and being willing to turn from them



And he arose and came to his father. But when he was yet a great way off, his father saw him and had compassion and ran and fell on his neck and kissed him.



"Luke 15:20

That's like God's love!

You saying I'm like that kid with the pigs?

Yes, but you're still in the pig pen!



Hey man, I'm dying and I'm young! Is that God's love?

No, Bruce that's God's JUSTICE!

The Bible says, "Honor thy father and mother that thou mayest live long on the earth" *

But you didn't! You treated them like DIRT and God's keeping His promise



You're going down, Bruce!

I'm afraid to die Bob!

*Eph
6:2-3

As a little boy I loved God, but as a teen I hated Him and turned wicked. Does He hate *me* now?



You're *dead meat*, Bruce!
The Bible says: "God is angry with the wicked every day."

*Psalm 7:11

You're going to *hell* and Satan is laughing his head off.

Is there *NO* hope?

Only the gospel... but if I tell you, you'll laugh in my face...

like *you* did to your *mom*.

No, no... I promise!

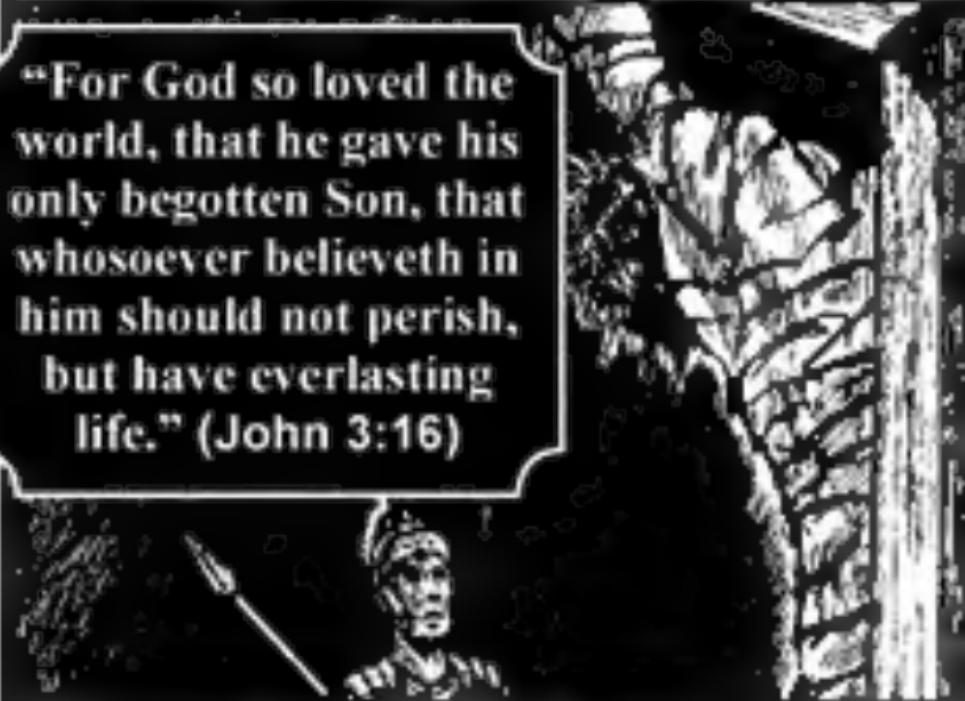
This is your *last* chance, Bruce.
Listen well! Jesus came to earth
to suffer a horrible death so
YOU could go to heaven.



God Almighty
hung on a bloody cross with nails in
His hands and feet — to save you.

He shed His precious blood to
wash away **our** sins.

“For God so loved the
world, that he gave his
only begotten Son, that
whosoever believeth in
him should not perish,
but have everlasting
life.” (John 3:16)



He died, was buried and rose from
the dead... *that's the Gospel!*

That's God's love gift to you, Bruce.
If you believe the gospel you'll be
saved... what's your decision?



Let me think it over.
I'm really sick... come
back tomorrow.

Tomorrow may be too late, Bruce!
But I'll come back in the morning.

"Now is the day of salvation." 2 Cor. 6:2

Bruce Burke died in his sins
at 3:20 a.m. His soul was
taken to a screaming hell...
lost for all eternity.

You **heard** the gospel message.
God doesn't play games.

HEAVEN OR HELL... the choice is yours!

"If thou shalt confess with thy mouth
the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in
thine heart that God hath raised him
from the dead, thou shalt be saved."

Romans 10:9

THE BIBLE SAYS THERE'S ONLY ONE WAY TO HEAVEN!

Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life; no man cometh unto the Father, but by me." John 14:6

NOBODY ELSE CAN SAVE YOU. TRUST JESUS TODAY!

"That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved." Rom. 10:9

1. Admit you are a sinner. See Romans 3:10
2. Be willing to turn from sin (repent). See Acts 17:30
3. Believe that Jesus Christ died for you, was buried and rose from the dead. See Rom. 10:9-10
4. Through prayer, invite Jesus into your heart to become your personal Saviour. See Rom. 10:13

WHAT TO PRAY

Dear God, I am a sinner and need forgiveness. I believe that Jesus Christ shed His precious blood and died for my sin. I am willing to turn from sin. I now invite Christ to come into my heart as my personal Saviour.

If you trusted Jesus as your Saviour, you have just begun a wonderful new life with Him. Now:

1. Read your Bible (KJV) every day to get to know Jesus Christ better.
2. Talk to God in prayer every day.
3. Be baptized, worship, fellowship, and serve with other Christians in a church where Christ is preached and the Bible is the final authority.
4. Tell others about Jesus Christ.

Here's help to grow as a new Christian! Read *The Next Step*, available at www.chick.com.

