



It was spring,
But it was summer I wanted,
The warm days,
And the great outdoors.

It was summer,
But it was fall I wanted,
The colorful leaves,
And the cool, dry air.

It was fall,
But it was winter I wanted,
The beautiful snow,
And the joy of the holiday season.

It was winter,
But it was spring I wanted,
The warmth
And the blossoming of nature.

I was a child,
But it was adulthood I wanted.
The freedom,
And the respect.

I was 20,
But it was 30 I wanted,
To be mature,
And sophisticated.

I was middle-aged, But it was 20 I wanted, The youth, And the free spirit. I was retired,
But it was middle age I wanted,
The presence of mind,
Without limitations.

My life was over.
But I never got what I wanted.

Are You Content?

(Hebrews 13:5-8)
The Whole Nine Yards, No. 6

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- 1. Loving One Another
- 2. Loving **Outsiders**
- 3. Loving Sufferers 8. Leadership
- 4. Honoring Marriage

- 5. Contentment
- 6. Clinging to
 - Jesus
- 7. Worship
- 9. Prayer

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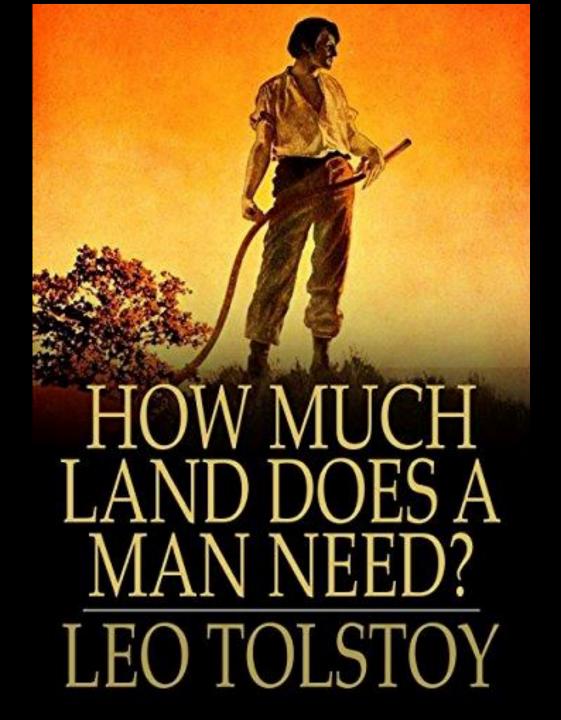
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every restaurant served curry.
I don't like spicy food."

"We went on holiday to Spain and had a problem with the taxi drivers as they were all Spanish."

"We booked an excursion to a water park but no one told us we had to bring our own swimsuits and towels. We assumed it would be included in the price."

"We found the sand was not like the sand in the brochure.
Your brochure shows the sand as white but it was more yellow."

"The beach was too sandy.
We had to clean everything when we returned to our room."

"No one told us there would be fish in the water. The children were scared."

"Although the brochure said that there was a fully equipped kitchen, there was no egg-slicer in the drawers."

"I compared the size of our one-bedroom suite to our friends' three-bedroom and ours was significantly smaller."

"We had to line up outside to catch the boat and there was no air conditioning."

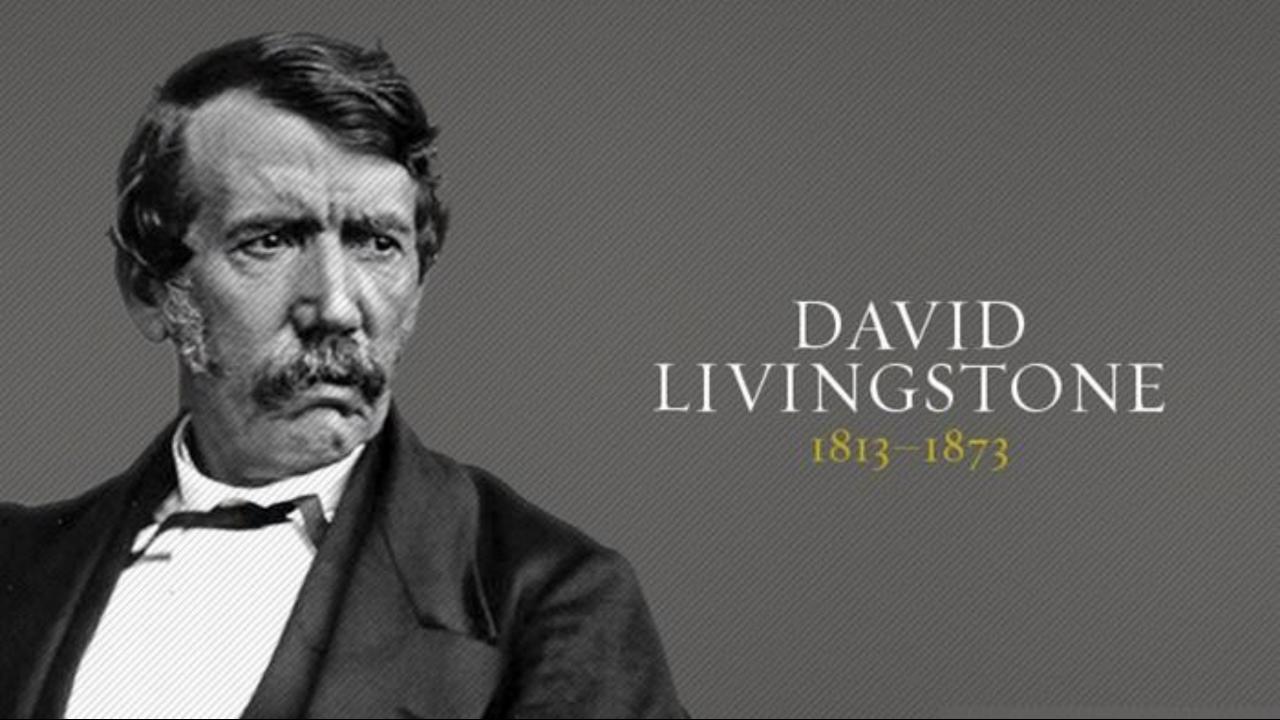
"I was bitten by a mosquito.
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Matthew 28:19-20 (NIV)

Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

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