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Genesis 1:24

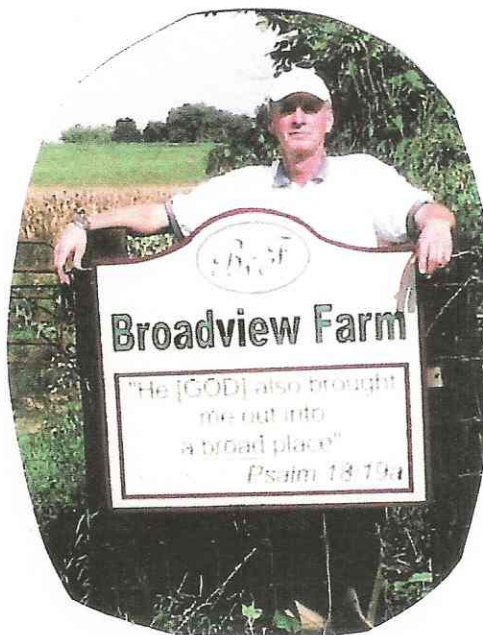
Then God said, "Let the earth bring forth the living creature according to its kind: cattle and creeping thing and beast of the earth, each according to its kind;" and it was so.

INTRODUCTION

Some White is not new to the farm. She is an experienced momma cow with many calves ... Red Bull, Jonathan, and Black Bull are some of them. Her newest calf is Someone Good. Someone Good is a mighty cute little calf. Her daddy is our bull named Good Looking.

Austin and I have just spent several days on the farm during the time that Someone Good was born. We had such a fun time watching a good momma and a good calf in action. Hopefully we can share our fun and some lessons that can be learned from Some White and Someone Good.

ENJOY Lessons from the Farm!



Good Buddy Some White ...

A Lesson from the Farm

Belinda and I were buddies with Some White. For years we would bring her sweet feed. She would come up close to us and eat the sweet feed that her buddies Austin and Belinda brought.

Red Heifer, Charity, Panda Face, and all the other cattle in the herd were her buddies too. They would all hang together in a herd. In fact, Some White was such a buddy that she at times would have two calves nursing her at once...quite a buddy that Some White.

More Than Buddies

But something happened that showed there is a cause far higher than being a buddy...Some White had a calf named Someone Good! Someone Good became her main priority.

A few days ago when we were feeding Red Heifer and the others sweet feed, we saw that our buddy Some White was not there. We got on the 4-wheeler looking for her supposing she went to have the calf she was expecting. Sure enough after much looking we found her in the woods with her very new calf Someone Good. As good buddy Austin got about 40 feet away, Some White gave me this mighty determined look, started pawing the ground, and let me know in no uncertain terms if you mess with my calf you will be dealing with over 700 pounds of raging momma cow! My 188 pounds of buddy-ness did not challenge her to go pet her calf Someone Good! "But Some White, it is me your buddy; I bring you sweet feed and hay." No matter. Compared to momma-ness, buddy-ness is not a blip on the radar screen.

It was nothing against Belinda and me personally. She did not want to be around Red Heifer, Panda Face and the others either. She did not care a bit if the cows said, "Moo, Some White, I thought you liked us. Come have fun with us. You are not much of a buddy now." Some White was resolute. "I am taking care of my calf, nurturing her, and getting her strong on momma's milk before we encounter herd challenges."

Do you know there can be challenges even with your buddies? You see, there are greater priorities ... even more than buddies.



Red Heifer, one of the buddies in the herd

Some White ...

Another Lesson on Priorities

A few days after Someone Good was born, Austin and I were out feeding the cows. Some White came out from the woods to get some food, but Someone Good wasn't with her. Some White was **trotting** to get the food and then in a little while **trotted** back to the woods where Someone Good was. She was anxious to get the food but was also anxious to get back to her calf. Austin and I haven't seen anything like her before in her care for her calf. She's a good momma.

You know, cows only know a certain amount. What Some White knows, she certainly is good about.

People are able to know so much more. We are able to know God. He is to be our main priority. Then, because He is love, He'll show us such loving, wonderful things. If we try to love without knowing God, our love may not be love at all or not even close to how it could be with God.

Jesus answered him, "... you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. This is the first commandment."



Someone Good, a good calf ...

A Lesson from the Farm

One of Some White's earlier calves was Jonathan. Jonathan looked across the fence at neighbor cows and then went through the fence because he desired to be with them. He got away from momma's love and milk and was stunted. Jonathan is an example in what not to do.

On one of the early days of Someone Good's calf life Some White and Someone Good briefly joined the herd. Belinda and I saw them there. Someone Good was having so much fun running, tail in the air, being with two other younger calves, then wham, I heard a sound and saw Someone Good seemingly bouncing off the gate. She was having so much fun with calf friends she forgot to stop for the gate!

A little while later Some White and Someone Good left the herd and went to be by themselves again; it was best. Someone Good left friends temporarily to remain with wise love, food, and protection so needed at this early age. Someone Good is a good example.

In fact, one night I heard soooo many Coyotes too close. They would enjoy attacking a younger calf. But since Someone Good was wise to stay with her protection, Someone Good was alive the next morning.

God has a wise protection plan for us. Many times it is as simple as submitting joyously to be around and be led by someone equipped by God to be strong to protect. Everyone submits to someone. The one they submit to leads them, and they rely on them for protection. Had Someone Good decided to stay and keep

playing with calf friends, the calf friends would have been unable to protect her from Coyotes!

Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right.

Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. For the husband is head of the wife, as also Christ is head of the church; and He is the Savior of the body. Eph. 5:22-23

Hope you've had fun with us as we've shared with you our experiences and lessons from the farm about Some White and her calf!

Have a great day!



Our bull Good Looking, Someone Good's Daddy



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