

“Then what?”  
He paused.  
“I go back.”  
Eden’s heart twisted. “Back to her, right?”  
Silence.  
The wind blew radioactive dust through the empty streets of what used to be London. Skyscrapers leaned like drunk ghosts.  
“Why didn’t you just stay there?” she asked.  
“Because she doesn’t know me anymore. I saved her. That erased me.”  
Eden laughed — sharp, cracked. “And now you’re doing it to me.”  
He looked at her then, really looked.  
“I didn’t come back for the mission,” he whispered. “I came back because when the world was ending, your name was the last thing I remembered.”  
Eden stepped forward. “Then stay.”  
“If I stay, the rift won’t close.”  
“Then don’t close it. Let it all fall apart.”  
He touched her face like it was the last page of a book he’d never finish. “We already did.”  
A siren wailed. The capsule door opened, flooding them with golden static. Time rippled, trembling.  
“You’ll forget me,” he said.  
“I’ll remember the ache.”  
He kissed her — desperate, furious, sacred.  
Then he stepped into the light.  
The capsule vanished.  
And Eden screamed...  
...but the world had already begun to shift.  
Behind her, another figure stepped from the mist — identical eyes, older.  
“Eden,” the voice rasped. “Don’t trust him. I’m you. And he’s lying.”

-DOMINIC

Words for Wisdom

Your words have power the  
can create, teach inspire and  
connect and they can deceive,  
destroy deflate and alienate.  
When life gives you lemons  
make lemonade. Be Proud who  
you are if your life to either  
changing the way you talk to  
and about yourself working on  
the voice in your head making  
the time to meet your needs  
as best meet your need as  
best you can spending time  
on your hobbies and interests.  
On a moment of patience in a  
moment of anger saves in you  
a hundred moment of regret.  
God Bless all of us.

-DERRICK LOLA



*Saint Francis, humble soul, a guiding light,  
From Assisi’s hills, he took his flight.  
Renouncing wealth, embracing poor’s embrace,  
He found God’s love in every time and space.  
With birds and beasts, a gentle, loving bond,  
Preaching peace, his spirit went beyond.  
A steward of creation, pure and true,  
He taught us kindness, in all we say and do.  
For mercy, love, and nature’s sacred plea,  
He stood for unity, for all humanity.  
A testament to faith, a life serene,  
His legacy of compassion, ever green.*

-KHARI



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If you have any content to share for our newsletter please see one of the breadline staff. **We are in need of content such as a poem, lyrics, writing, thoughts, questions, image of your artwork or anything uplifting or informative.** Anyone who contributes content for our newsletter will receive a \$10 gift card.

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FRANCISCAN 360  
IS OPEN!

**WHAT:** Case Management, Computer Access, Mailing Address, Health Clinic  
**WHERE:** 144 W. 32nd Street  
**WHEN:** Monday - Thursday, 9am - 4pm  
Scheduled appointments only on Friday from 9am - 4pm  
**WHO:** All are welcome!  
**NEW:** Art and Guitar classes, Work space available Tuesday 9am - 11am

**Good Morning!** This week we have writing from Dominic, writing from Kevin F., writing from Jane Farmer, poetry from Tina L. Spence, poetry from Khari, poetry from Henry Yee, writing from Derrick Lola, poetry form Joey Moss.

**Be the first person to correctly answer all three trivia questions and win a gift card.**

- Which planet is closest to the sun?
- Where is the strongest human muscle located?
- Which is the only body part that is fully grown from birth?

Answers to last weeks trivia questions

- What is the 4th letter of the Greek alphabet? Delta
- What is a word, phrase, number, or other sequence of characters that reads the same backward as forward called? Palindrome
- What is acrophobia a fear of? Heights

Romans 15:4:

*For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, that through endurance and through the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope.*

Anchored

Seas are rough through the storms of life Sometimes I drift  
Left on my own to strive for life  
But You always bring me back again  
You always reach out Your loving hand to pull me in  
To pull me tight keep my head above  
To give me strength to go on and fight  
  
Now I’m anchored in the ocean of your love  
Knowing You love me is the greatest revelation there is  
To love others and myself  
To love you with all my heart  
Thank you for salvation  
  
Keep my eyes fixed on You  
Be now with me in everything I do  
Your power in me and Your blood is the only thing that keeps me free

-HENRY YEE



Summertime

Summertime has arrived. Its the season to enjoy the weather parks beaches and other recreational activities! Its supposed to be a time for fun and joy but with these present time things are in chaos because of the present policies of this present administration! Supportive services being cut, medicaid and food stamps being cut, non documented community members being harassed and hunted. This is a time for prayer and support! This is a season for joy not worry! Support your fellow community members spread joy! Keep everyone in prayer!

-KEVIN F

Balance  
Cape of confidence  
Home is where the heart is  
Power pumps with the mask of worth  
Roadside cone-bag of shrimp on top  
Cartwheels on the seaside by the seashore  
Nestled by a breeze on the rails of a ferryboat ride  
Conquered a waterfall on the shoulders of strength  
Bit the big apple bridge that suspended in midair

Balance  
-TINA L. SPENCE (OF SPENCE MINISTRY)

Change Life

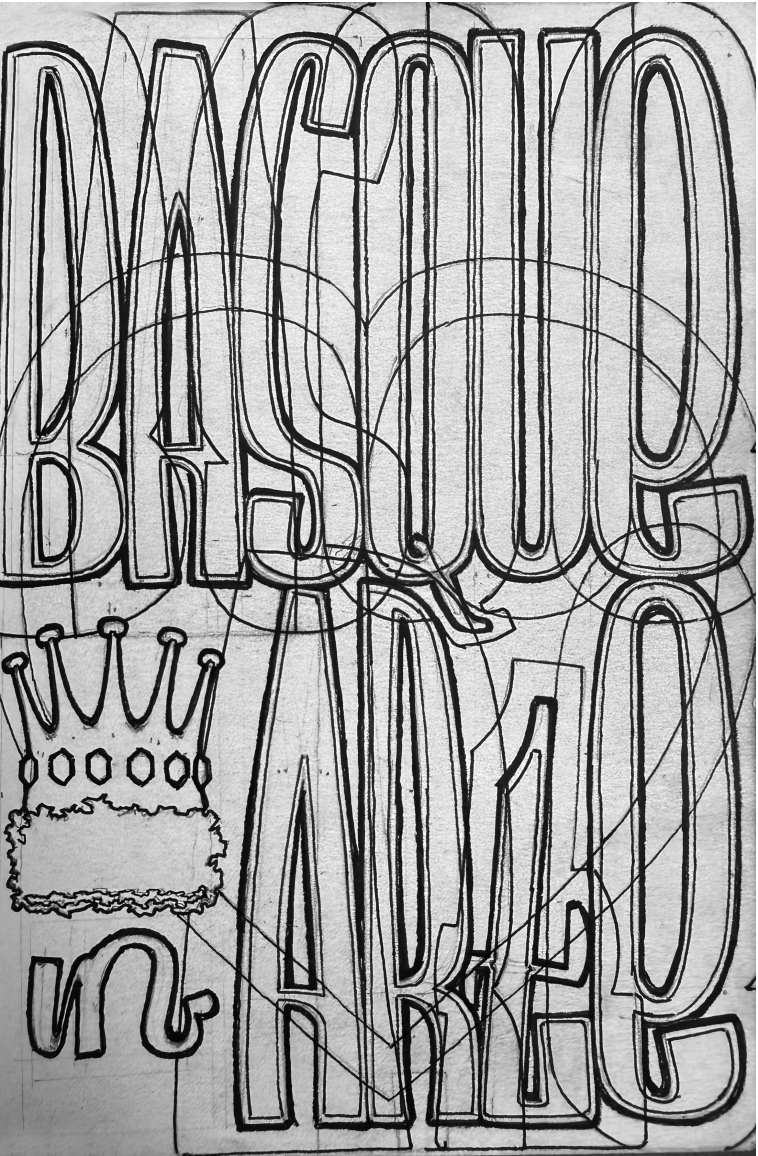
Benefits of continued use?  
Costs of continued use?  
Benefits of stopping use?  
Costs of stopping use?

-DERRICK LOLA



Artwork by Lola Derrick

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**Work.Peace. Decision.**  
**The world is a table.**  
**Happiness. Sadness. Prayer at the table.**  
**Thanksgiving at the table.**  
**Christmas at the table.**  
**Family at the table for holidays and eating grateful.**  
**Thanksgiving at the table.**  
**Decisions made at the table.**  
**Holidays at the table.**  
-JOEY MOSS  
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Artwork by Montez

With the Lord at our sides, anything is possible. If our path is clear and our intentions are pure, He will guide us along and no obstacle or barrier placed before us will be able to derail us. Fear is often the main component of procrastination, not ineptitude. We know exactly what needs to get done and we’ve made so many detailed plans that we know exactly what to do and if we just took action we could easily elevate our status in life, yet something is holding us back from reaching bliss. Our own lack of bravery is often the culprit. Our timidity can be described as a house built on sand, an unstable foundation unfit to support the weight of the lives we are building for ourselves or, in simpler terms, a lack of faith in God. Those of us who entrust 100% of our being to the Lord and are inexhaustible in our conviction know that with the Most High anything we wish to achieve, anything we hope to accomplish, anything we desire with the bounds of His Word is both feasible and at our fingertips at any given moment. We just have to have the courage to persist beyond our mortal mental limitations; the wisdom to recognize and appreciate the power God has to still seas and move mountains for His children. We can go into any conflict, run onto any path, jump over any hurdle with Him at our sides. It is important that we remember to include Him in all that we do, not only so that we may have the gallantry to take on tasks that are seemingly impossible, but also to show our thanks to Him for giving us the opportunity and blessing of life and all of its twists, turns, simplicities, and difficulties. The next time you are faced with a great challenge that seems a bit too taxing, take a deep breath, and say a prayer to Him. Ask him for counsel; seek his approval. You’ll find yourself advancing in ways you previously didn’t think possible. To have faith in the Lord is to be brave and exercise that bravery to accomplish greatness.

-JANE FARMER