

Trivial Pursuit
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The world is full of fascinating facts. Did you know that your foot is the same length as your forearm, and your nose is about the same length as your thumb?

Kissing helps prevent tooth decay. Laughter is a proven way to lose weight, and you will weigh less if you weigh at full moon.

People only use about 35% of their brain when thinking, but regardless of how much you use your brain, you won't be able to fold a normal size piece of paper in half more than 7 times, nor can you hum if you plug your nose and close your mouth. However, blueberry juice will boost your memory.

Trivia buffs know that when cats are happy or pleased, they squeeze their eyes shut, and that the elephant is the only animal with four knees, but is also the only animal who can't jump (which might be a good thing!)

Other interesting facts: If you yelled for 8 years, 7 months and 6 days, you would have produced enough sound energy to heat 1 cup of coffee. (Hardly seems worth it!) The day after Thanksgiving is the busiest days for plumbers in the US. (I don't even want to go there!) Who comes up with all these things? Pursuit of the trivial also seems to be a passion of a lot of people.

In 1979, some Canadians cashed in on this passion when they decided to create their own game after finding pieces of their Scrabble game missing. Today, Trivial Pursuit is recognized as a board game in which progress is determined by a player's ability to answer general knowledge questions.

Trivial pursuit is also what a lot of people find themselves doing with their lives. It's interesting to know that a sheet of Bounce in your belt-loop will repel mosquitoes, or that 2/3 of all people tip their heads to the right when kissing; but what does all of that mean in the long run? Maybe 15 minutes of fame on Jeopardy.

So many people seem to live a life filled with trivial pursuits. For the Christian, however, life takes a different direction. Walking with Christ is realizing that we can't travel in the wrong direction and reach the right destination; and that there's a difference between knowing the path and walking the path.

When we seek first the Kingdom of God in the forms of righteousness, godliness, and faith, we're able to take hold of the life that is anything but a trivial pursuit. Righteousness is seeking

God's presence; Godliness is seeking a deeper relationship; and Faith is seeking to put that relationship into action in our everyday lives.