

Forget the Cover

The two men stood in front of me at the Dollar Tree. Frankly, my first thought (to my shame!) about both was "glad it's morning and we are in a lit building and not on a dark street". The first man was short 17 cents, the second man IMMEDIATELY said, "I've got it" and gave the cashier a quarter. The first man said, "Thanks, man." The second replied, "Glad to help - God bless".

While returning to my car, I thanked God for the simple kindness shown by the second man and for reminding me there is good to be found in this world. I confessed my sin of assuming the worst about people by their outer appearance, God certainly doesn't do that – remember the story of Samuel and the sons of Jesse (1 Samuel 16) and remember GOD's words in v. 7b "For the Lord sees not as man sees: man looks on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart".

AND, I may have to rethink my habit of always depositing all my loose change in my LWML mite box (for mission work throughout the world) - because sometimes, the mission opportunity is right in front of me in a check-out line or right there in my own backyard. May God keep your eyes open for the opportunities HE puts in front of you. "Let brotherly love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for thereby some have entertained angels unawares" Hebrews 13:1-2.

