

## Inspirational Stories Inspire!

I am always on the lookout for stories that bring something more to listeners than a clever twist of plot. Something that listeners can take away from the story. Maybe there is a message. It might give the listener a suggestion of a new direction. It might even state a moral. The name one might give to this ephemeral quality is not as important as the fact that the stories I tell actually possess it.

Even when I was growing up, I found myself deeply touched by inspirational stories. I heard similar stories from my mother and my grandfather. Once in a while, a teacher would tell a story that held profound meaning to me. I was surprised to find how memorable those stories were. To this day I still remember and follow those messages. The Golden Rule. There is no substitute for honesty. Slow down and notice the things around you. Give back to your community. I am who I am because of those messages.

I find myself using stories I heard long ago when I perform today. They have an ageless quality. The messages are as relevant now as they were long ago.

Whats so important about inspirational stories? First, consider the barrage of daily news and information. Second, the lives we live give us no breathing space to reflect. In the absence of time and reflection, we have precious little available insight to bring to current affairs. Here is the place for inspirational stories. Inspirational stories give listeners something to chew on. They offer something to think about. Something that helps us to find our personal "true north. Something that gives us perspective.

Looking for inspiration? At [www.jaystetzer.com](http://www.jaystetzer.com) you can find memorable inspirational stories. Go to the "Listen" page on the site and you will surely discover a number of stories with relevant messages. Two good examples of inspirational stories are "The Egg Seller" and "Herschel and the Wedding" from my CD World Full of Stories. "Service with a Smile" on my Parking in Manhattan CD offers the listener a great hidden lesson. I find that inspirational stories stick in the memory long after they are told. In fact, the inspirational stories I tell even inspire me!

The world of today is a fast moving, complex world. As we head on down the highway of life, we can all use a little direction to guide us. Inspirational stories help keep us on the road. Like having your own spiritual GPS! Theres a wealth of inspirational stories available on all of my recordings. Listen for yourself! Related Information [" title="More information about Folk stories">Story ... Priceless humor ...](#)

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