



the

old



cart

Have you ever seen an old horse cart?  
We often say it's just an old cart. That old cart  
was once a new cart and very useful in its day.  
Some day we too will become old, but today  
when you are young we must be useful.  
A cart is either useful or useless.



Not so long ago, carts were a  
very common way of travelling.  
In some parts of the world  
they are still often used today,  
e.g. in Poland, China and in Africa.

A cart would have been used  
to help carry you along. If you  
were walking and a cart passed  
you by, then the driver would often  
stop and give you a lift.



Everyone at some stage needs a lift. The  
world we live in can be very discouraging.  
Many people are often "down in the dumps"  
and need a **BOOST**.



The Bible is full of boosts for each day. God loves you and Jesus cares for you.

“Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you.” 1st Peter 5:7

Early in life we should learn to draw our strength from God.



“The LORD God is my strength...” Habakkuk 3:19.

Then when the Lord helps us and gives us a lift, we can use it to help others as well.



Be an encourager today, and when someone is lonely and feeling down, tell them about Jesus and give them a lift.

Jeremiah was a wonderful man of God, but there were times when he felt life was tough. This is what he said.

“O LORD, my strength, and my fortress,  
and my refuge in the day of affliction”  
Jeremiah 16:19.



Maybe at school or at home you  
find life can be tough. The secret  
is to walk close to the Lord;



He will help you,  
protect you,  
comfort you  
and encourage you.

### Prayer:

Dear Lord, help me be an  
encouragement to someone. When  
someone needs help, help me to help  
them. When someone needs a friend,  
help me to be their friend,

Amen



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