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Lent 2021 – God’s Lessons All Around Us *Devotionals from Pastor Sell*

JUST LIVING AND THINKING

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The snow has been melting the last few days (March 1). It has been a nice slow melt and the HUGE, 4 ½ foot pile in the front of my house is diminishing. It has been a real pain not to be able to park by my front door. I had to park around the side of the house and trudge up the alley and the sidewalk. Usually, I not only had wet feet but the bottom of my wet trousers flopped back and forth as I walked. Then I had to be careful not to get the wood floors wet. More than once I grumbled to myself “Just melt, snow, and let’s be done with it.” Then I realized if it melted too fast there would be water in the basement and the fish pond might overflow and the gravel in my parking space might wash into the fire hall property which would be more problems.

All too often we want our life challenges to disappear quickly like melting snow on a 90-degree day, but it is better for life to run its course. If we want to get ALL the household chores done in an hour, we will get frustrated. If we want to resolve a family issue, we might say something in haste and make it worse. Slow can be beneficial if we do it with God.