

We don't know what Jesus wrote, we don't even know that he wrote, except that somebody else gave us the accounting. But when I was out...I went out to give a talk in Ord on law day, this was many, many years ago. And the lawyer who invited me was criticized by many people because my reputation is so bad that they thought I would be a detriment to the children. So I talked at a number of classes and, unfortunately, some of the parents were so upset about my coming that they would not let their children attend the classes where I was to speak. And as I went through a library area, there were some little children just sitting there by themselves, and I went and spoke to them because I knew they were some of the ones who were to be shielded from me. But while I was talking to one of the classes, I was mentioning to these children how important it is to take advantage of the opportunity they had for this education. And I was telling them about the love that I have for books and reading. And one little girl, little bitty girl just kept looking at me, and looking at me. And I was telling them how when they grow up they need to do the thing that they believe is important. So when I opened the floor for questions she said, you told us that books are very important. I said, that's right. She said, and you said you love books. I said, that's right. She said, you like to read. I said, that's right. She said, well, if books are that important, you love them and you love to read so much, why aren't you a librarian? Little, bitty, tiny child. So there are things that I believe that we can learn from everybody. And having said that, I will mention this to all of you, because this is one of those times when I can try to be gracious. I learn a lot from my colleagues. I listen to you all better than you realize. And I probably could tell you what you said with more precision than you could give it back, because many of my colleagues are like trains running down a hill, words just come out and they're not even thinking about it. But I'm absorbing it and remembering...Senator Schimek is paying attention. And when they get through all they know is that they have unburdened their soul and they feel better. But then I can tell them what they said. There are things which I believe every person has to contribute. What we need to try to do, and I wish we could do it more on the floor of the Legislature, is to have confidence in your ability, place value on your thoughts and your judgments. Tim is named Hall, I'm named Chambers because we're different. We don't have to all be the same. No one person has all of the truth, not even I. That's the only time I told a lie. (Laugh.) But I do favor this resolution, and I hope we'll