



I have had enough of anything political; its time I thought of something on the lighter side of life. This picture more than qualifies. Here is someone who is enjoying life in a more light-hearted manner. My guess is that the bike probably belongs to his grand-daughter, but, who knows?

Anyway, life for most of us is but a few decades, so I say, enjoy it the best you can! Then I remembered the wise words of Solomon in the book of Ecclesiastes...

**Ecclesiastes 5 ( [World English Bible](#) )**

**18** Behold, that which I have seen to be good and proper is for one to eat and to drink, and to enjoy good in all his labor, in which he labors under the sun, all the days of his life which God has given him; for this is his portion.

**19** Every man also to whom God has given riches and wealth, and has given him power to eat of it, and to take his portion, and to rejoice in his labor—this is the gift of God.

God has given us many blessings. We should from time to time take stock of them and rejoice. Every so often, we sing the following at the Southside, Zephyrhills congregation...

When upon life's billows you are tempest tossed  
When you are discouraged, thinking all is lost  
Count your many blessings, name them one by one  
And it will surprise you what the Lord hath done

Are you ever burdened with a load of care?  
Does the cross seem heavy you are called to bear?  
Count your many blessings, every doubt will fly  
And you will keep singing as the days go by

So, amid the conflict, whether great or small  
Do not be disheartened, God is over all  
Count your many blessings, angels will attend  
Help and comfort give you to your journey's end

Count your blessings, name them one by one  
Count your blessings, see what God hath done  
Count your blessings, name them one by one  
And it will surprise you what the Lord hath done

**And, just in case you feel like singing....**

# Count Your Blessings

In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you. 1 Th. 5:18  
Blessed be... God... who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings... in Christ. Eph. 1:3

1. When up - on life's bil - lows you are tem - pest - tossed, When you are dis -  
2. Are you ev - er bur - dened with a load of care? Does the cross seem  
3. When you look at oth - ers with their lands and gold, Think that Christ has  
4. So, a - mid the con - flict wheth - er great or small, Do not be dis -

cour - aged, think - ing all is lost, Count your man - y bless - ings, name them  
heav - y you are called to bear? Count your man - y bless - ings, eve - ry  
prom - ised you His wealth un - told; Count your man - y bless - ings—mon - ey  
cour - aged, God is o - ver all; Count your man - y bless - ings, an - gels

one by one, And it will sur - prise you what the Lord hath done.  
doubt will fly, And you will keep sing - ing as the days go by.  
can - not buy Your re - ward in heav - en, nor your home on high.  
will at - tend, Help and com - fort give you to your jour - ney's end.

*Refrain*

Count your bless - ings, name them one by one, Count your  
Count your man - y bless - ings, Count your man - y

bless - ings, see what God hath done! Count your bless - ings,  
bless - ings, Count your man - y bless - ings,

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name them one by one, Count your man - y bless - ings, see what God hath done.

Yesterday is but a memory, tomorrow, anything can happen. The only thing we genuinely have is the here and now. I often think of what the Apostle Paul has said...

Philippians 4 ( [WEB](#) )

**Rejoice in the Lord always! Again I will say, "Rejoice!"**

**Be happy, for God loves us all. Do something today for the  
pure fun of it.**

**(riding a pink bike is but one option)**