

Netting Inspirational Stories

I am always on the lookout for stories that bring something more to listeners than a clever twist of plot. Something that the listener can relate to. Call it a message. Perhaps it gives a hint of direction. There could even be an outright moral. It doesn't really matter what name you give to this elusive quality; it is more important that the stories I tell possess it.

Even when I was growing up, I found myself deeply touched by inspirational stories. Both my mother and my grandfather told similar stories. Once in a while, a teacher would tell a story that held profound meaning to me. I noticed that stories with a message stuck in my memory. To this day I still remember and follow those messages. The Golden Rule. Honesty is the best policy. Take time to smell the flowers. Community giving is part of community living. Messages that made me who I am today.

I find myself using stories I heard long ago when I perform today. The stories are ageless. The messages of long ago still have merit in the world today.

What's so important about inspirational stories? For one thing, we experience a deluge of information and news on a daily basis. Second, the lives we live give us no breathing space to reflect. And without time to reflect, how can we develop insight into the affairs of the day? 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 offers a little perspective to life.

Looking for inspiration? You can find inspirational stories and more at www.jaystetzer.com. Go to the "Listen" page on the site and you will surely discover a number of stories with relevant messages. "The Egg Seller" and "Herschel and the Wedding" from the World Full of Stories CD are good examples of inspirational stories. "Service with a Smile" on my Parking in Manhattan CD offers the listener a great hidden lesson. Long after they are told, inspirational stories stay in the memory. I am even inspired by the inspirational stories I tell!

We live in a complex, fast moving 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. Think of them as your own personal GPS! My recordings contain a wealth of inspirational stories. Listen for yourself! Related articles [Stories for children](#)

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