

Time again for this little story.

> “A Mouse looked through the crack in the wall to see the farmer and his wife opening a package. “What food might this contain?” He wondered.
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> He was devastated to discover it was a mousetrap. Retreating to the farmyard, the mouse told all the other animals: “There is a mousetrap in the house! There is a mousetrap in the house!”
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> The chicken clucked and scratched, raised her head and said “Mr. Mouse, I can tell this is a grave concern to you, but it is of no consequence to me. I cannot be bothered by it.”
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> The mouse turned to the pig and told him, “There is a mousetrap in the house.” The pig felt bad but said, “I am so very sorry Mr. Mouse, but there is nothing I can do about it but pray. Be assured that you are in my prayers.”
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> The mouse turned to the cow. She said, “Wow, Mr. Mouse. I’m sorry for you. But I really don’t care about it.”
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> So the mouse returned to the house, feeling down and dejected, to face the farmer’s mousetrap alone. That very night a sound was heard throughout the house like the sound of a mousetrap catching its prey.
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> The farmer’s wife rushed to see what was caught. In the darkness she did not see that it was a snake whose tail the trap had caught, and when she came close, the snake bit her.
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> The farmer rushed her to the hospital and she returned home with a fever. Now everyone knows you treat a fever with fresh chicken soup, so the farmer took his

> hatchet to the farmyard for the soup's main ingredient, and killed the chicken.
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> But his wife's sickness continued, so friends and neighbors came to sit with her around the clock. To feed them, the farmer butchered the pig.
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> The farmer's wife did not get well. She died. So many people came for her funeral that the farmer, in order to feed them all, had to kill the cow."

So….. next time we hear that someone is facing a problem and think that it doesn't concern us, we should remember that when one of us is threatened, we may be all at risk. After all, we are all involved in this journey called life. We must keep an eye out for one another and be willing to make that extra effort to encourage those in need.

For those who have my back and encourage me through thick and thin, I am so very grateful.

What are you thankful for today?

Until next Thursday's post…si Dios quiere.

"Be an Encourager: When you encourage others, you boost their self-esteem, enhance their self-confidence, make them work harder, lift their spirits and make them successful in their endeavors. Encouragement goes straight to the heart and is always available. Be an encourager. Always."
-R. Bennett

"I expect to pass through life but once. If therefore, there be any kindness I can show, or any good thing I can do to any fellow being, let me do it now, and not defer or neglect it, as I shall not pass this way again."
-W. Penn



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