





How many times do we think, "It's not me, it's...."

Yup, $\square\square$ More times than I should, actually. Often, we are quick to judge others' behavior. But, do we ever stop to think what might be the reason for their behavior? What's going on in their day, their life?

A slightly different version of the Serenity Prayer I read recently prompted this post. It reads:

"God grant me the serenity to accept the people I cannot change, the courage to change the one I can, and the wisdom to know it's me."

I think most of us could use something like a reactive-thought delay button. Can that be programmed into our brains, please? So we stop jumping to premature conclusions? A little restrain in this regard would be helpful.

On second thought, scratch that AI stuff. It would never be genuine. Instead, how 'bout a "grace button"? That one's easy. All we have to do is believe and it's ours.

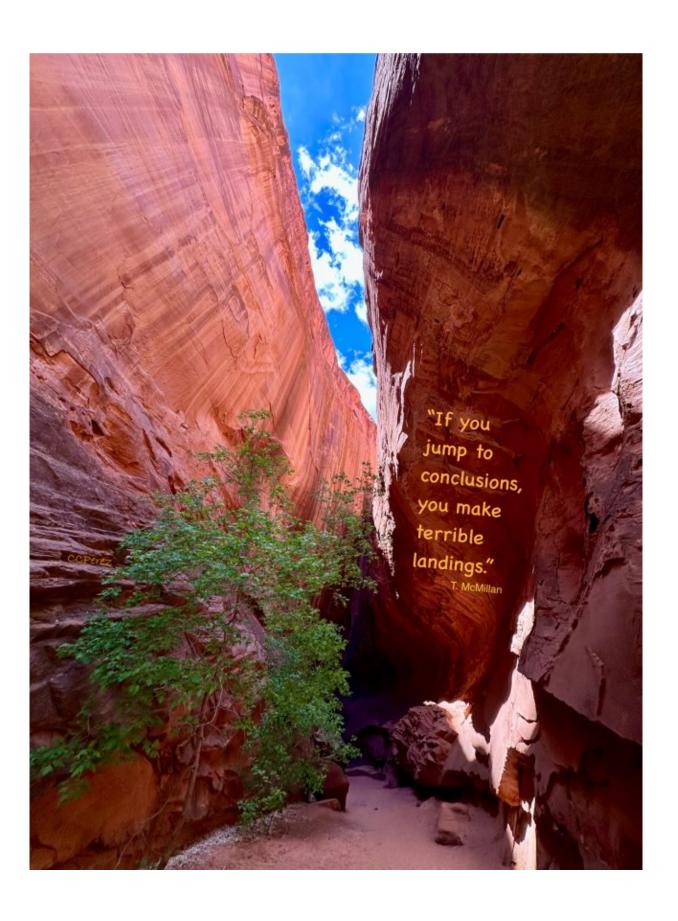
We never know the full story, my friends, only God does. That is why I am grateful for God's grace, because I need to give it, too.

What are you thankful for today?

Until next Thursday's post...si Dios quiere.

"We underrate the courage of common civility, for what do we know of another person's day, of their worries and anxieties, of how deep into their innermost resources they had to reach for that friendly hello, that gracious smile."

-R. Brault



[Note: In case you are not Spanglish-speaking, "si Dios quiere" means God-willing. Mom finished most of her sentences with that phrase. After her passing, I added it to my sendoff in her honor.]

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