## LIFE THROUGH THE LENS



LEAVES – COULD WE LIVE WITHOUT THEM?

Leaves: they suck carbon dioxide from the air and pump out oxygen; which we need to breath; to live. It's a leaf. So?

But, get sunlight behind a leaf; look closely; be prepared to be amazed; delighted. See the detail; the parts of a working leaf; designed and made by a loving God who knows we need leaves.

How often do we look closely at the people around us? Bob; with the surly face; the quarrelsome attitude, or "over-the-top" Magda who gets on our nerves; drives us mad! Looking closer: getting to know them through the light of the love of Jesus: what might we see?

And; what of yourself? See the leaf in the picture that some grub has chewed on. See how it has healed around the edges. It still does what God planned it to do.

Do you sometimes feel you've been chewed on? You don't have to give up and fall off the branch. Jesus says "Hey! Talk to me about it. Let my love shine into your life and heal the chewed parts; the hurts, the angers. I am the light of the world. I am love! Look at yourself in the light of my caring. I still need you: your specialness making this community, this town, this world, a better place. I want you to enjoy the sunlight of my love" That's what He says. Check it out in the Bible. John chapter 8 verse 12.

Have a sunny week. Kevin.