

"LIFE THROUGH THE LENS"



HOW TO PEEL A BANANA

Many would say there is no right or wrong way to peel a banana. However, there may be a "planned way". The way it was designed to be peeled, complete with a handle. Ask a monkey. He hasn't been influenced by society. To quote Wikipedia, "upside-down". This way is also known as the "monkey method" since it is how monkeys are said to peel bananas. When the tip of a banana is pinched with two fingers, it will split, and the peel comes off in two clean sections.

Society often decides which is the "best" way to operate, Irrespective of the Designer / Creators plans. Society will often decree, "This or that is best"! But are they? Maybe we need personally to ask, "Are my goals the best?" "Are they "Right" for my family, my friends, my community?

So quickly, we tend to believe there must always be a better way to live together in peace and harmony. We choose to ignore the "handles" God in love, worked into His great plan for peace and harmony; for us as individuals, as families, as "Community". The designer and creator of families/communities also designed handles that, when used, makes things more effortless.

Family members who hold onto the "handles" of love for each other, support each other, learn to laugh and cry together and forgive each other find that life is more fulfilling, easier to achieve pleasing outcomes.

With the creation of individuals, there came the design for "families", and with families comes "Community". True "Community" will hold onto the "handles" brought by God and demonstrated by His son Jesus. "Handles" of care and respect for all who need it: the abused, the homeless, the bullied, the hungry, the lonely, the frail, the lost, the weak, the down-trodden.

The best handle to hold onto is Jesus, His love, His examples and the influences He can bring to a situation, and most importantly, His forgiveness, which brings the knowledge that God is a God love and care.

Jesus respected and cared for the outcast. He healed sickness and blindness. He encouraged when someone was down.

If we accept his forgiveness, know He cares, follow His example of "How to peel a banana", how to deal with life, He has promised life will be fuller, He will help us find our way through the trouble spots, and we will know His love personally.

Cheers and God bless,

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