



IF I MAY INTRODUCE MYSELF:



Rudy Bischof



MY SURVIVAL TRAINING STARTED EARLY. When I was five my Grandma gave me an old dull butcher knife and commissioned me to chop down sunflowers on the back forty. I spent every minute I could chopping my way through a sunflower jungle with that old knife making forts and hideouts

Family camping trips brought adventures of the woods and streams. The campfires at night, and the smell of wood smoke and bacon in the morning are some of my fondest memories. Survival is a lot like camping.

We lived in an area surrounded by orange groves and hills. These became my “wilderness.” I spent every minute I could roaming the groves and hills with a sheath knife and hatchet on my belt, a folding knife in my front pocket, and a slingshot in a back pocket. Those tools you see below are my original “Trio” (something you’ll learn about a little later on)... I still have them today.

In US Army Infantry training, I became very much interested in survival and I have pursued that discipline ever since. I have been practicing and teaching wilderness (and urban) survival and emergency preparedness for over fifty years.

Possibly my best qualification as a survivalist is my almost twenty years as a BSA Scoutmaster.

Believe me, if you can survive that...you can survive anything!

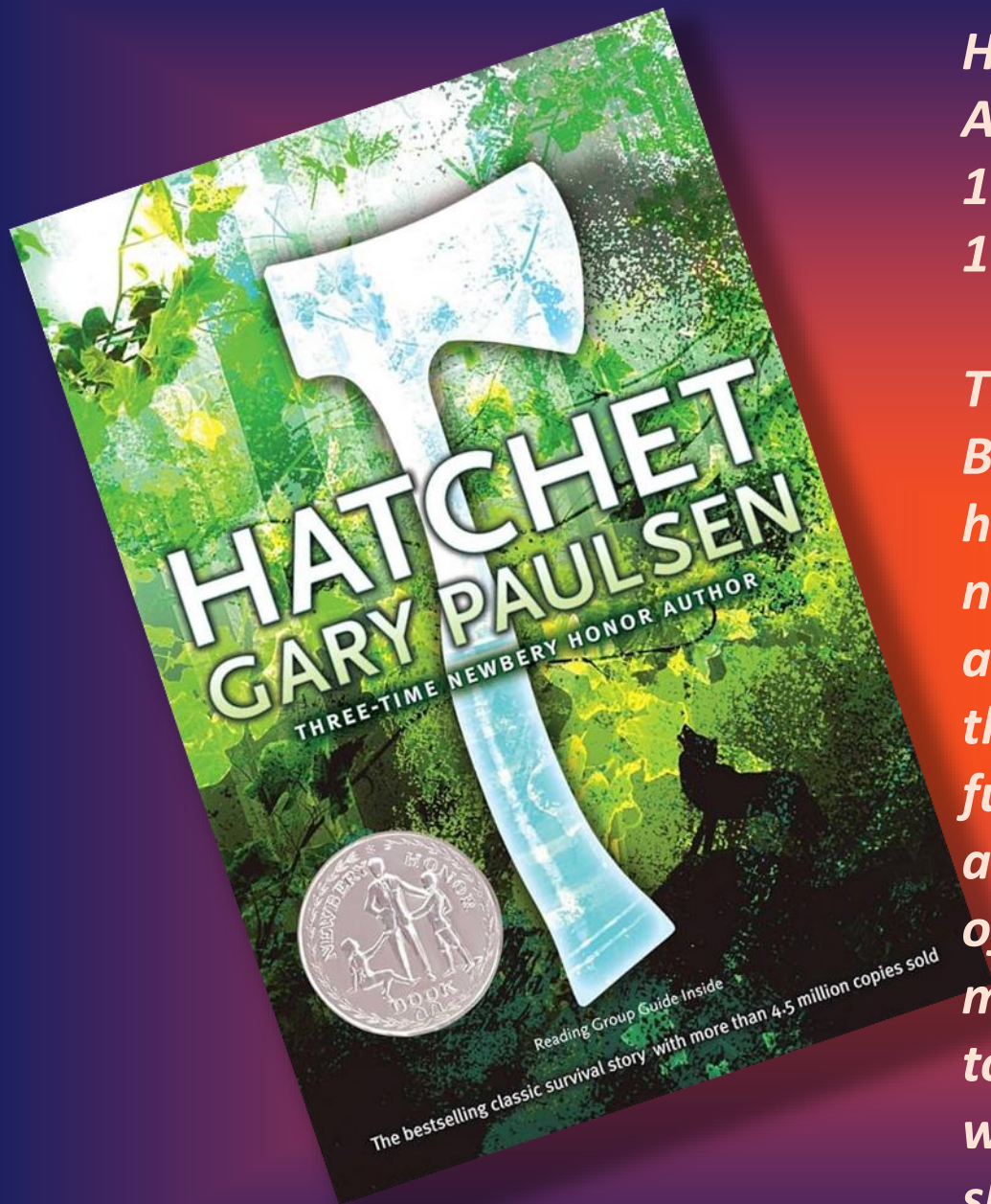


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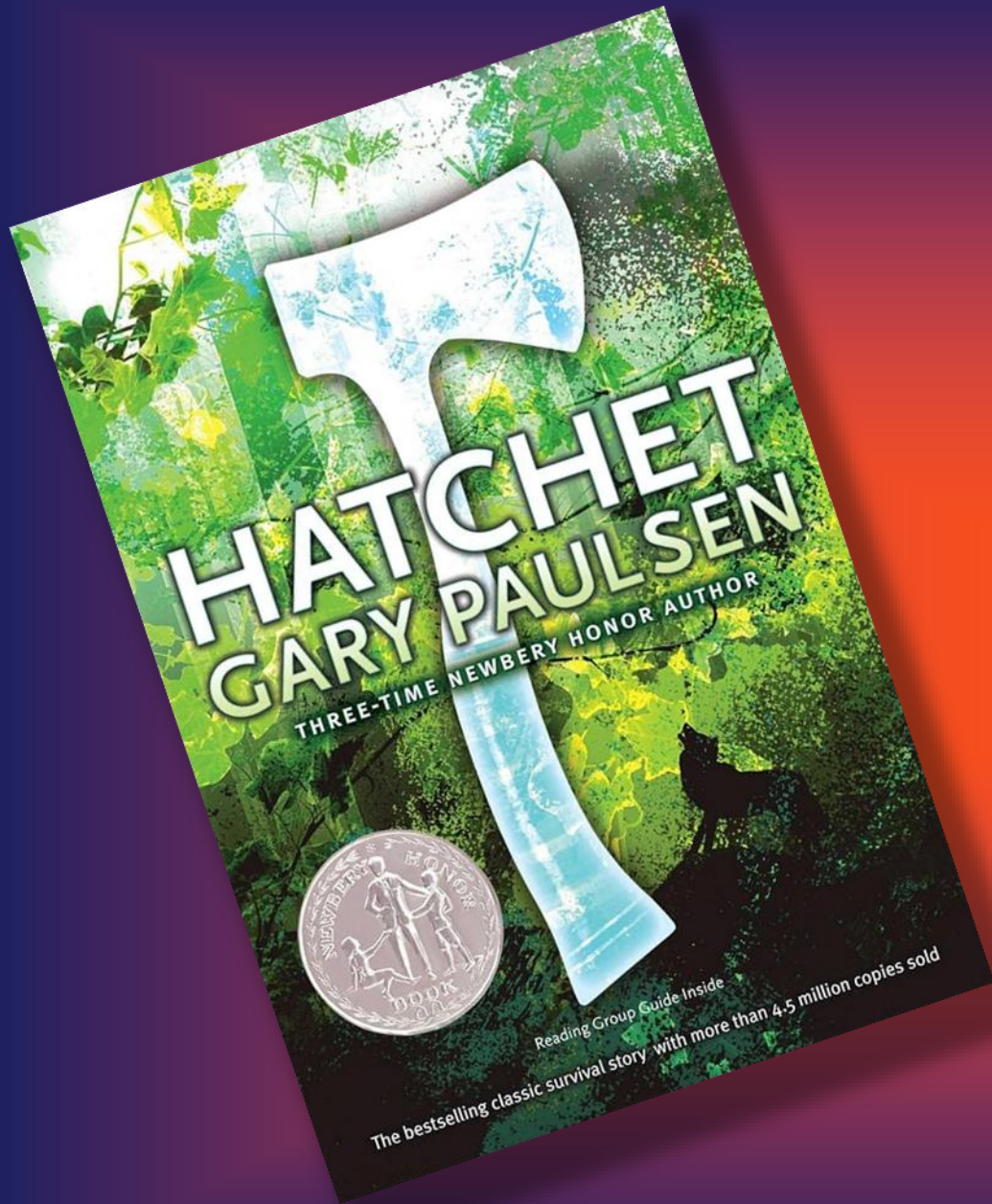
HATCHET SCHOOL OF SURVIVAL



HATCHET is a young adult survival novel written by American author Gary Paulsen. It was first published in 1987 and the recipient of the Newbery Honor Award in 1988.

THE PLOT:

Brian Robeson is a 13 year old son of divorced parents. As he travels on a Cessna 406 bush plane to the oil fields of northern Canada for the summer, the pilot suddenly suffers a massive heart attack and dies. Brian assumes control of the plane and makes an effort to land, but it runs out of fuel in the process, forcing him to attempt a ditching, and as a result, crash lands into an L-shaped lake in the middle of a vast forest. Brian survives the crash with only a few minor injuries. Throughout the summer, Brian learns how to survive on his own in the wilderness with nothing but his windbreaker and a hatchet...a gift his mother gave him shortly before his plane departed.



If you want to learn the skills of survival, skills that can be adapted and used to encompass any kind of survival, wilderness or urban...THEN READ THIS BOOK!

It is the simplest and most enjoyable way to learn and understand the physical, mental and emotional needs of survival that I have ever encountered.

Having read this incredible story you will be armed with knowing what you need to do, and how to do it.

GOING FURTHER...

If you want to continue in your survival education, these three books taught me virtually everything I know. There are many other good books on the subject as well.

In addition, youtube.com offers a whole world of survival channels with excellent videos of how to do every little aspect.

And then...GO OUT AND PRACTICE!



US ARMY SURVIVAL MANUAL
FM 21-76

OUTDOOR SURVIVAL SKILLS
By Larry Dean Olsen

SAS SURVIVAL GUIDE
By John Lofty Wiseman

It is generally accepted by Survival Instructors, Survival Afficionados, and whoever thinks they know about survival...that survival success depends on three things:

ATTITUDE 80%

KNOWLEDGE 10%

TOOLS 10%

THIS I BELIEVE AS WELL.

**Hey you! I'm gonna
need some stuff
here!**



It also depends on certain human body requirements that need to be supplied within a certain period of time.

LESSON ONE: BASIC SURVIVAL

That “certain” period of time translates into what is called the...

SURVIVAL PRIORITIES

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- ✓ **YOU CAN LIVE ABOUT 3 HOURS WITHOUT A 98.6° BODY TEMPERATURE.**
- ✓ **YOU CAN LIVE ABOUT 3 DAYS WITHOUT WATER.**
- ✓ **YOU CAN LIVE ABOUT 3 WEEKS WITHOUT FOOD.**
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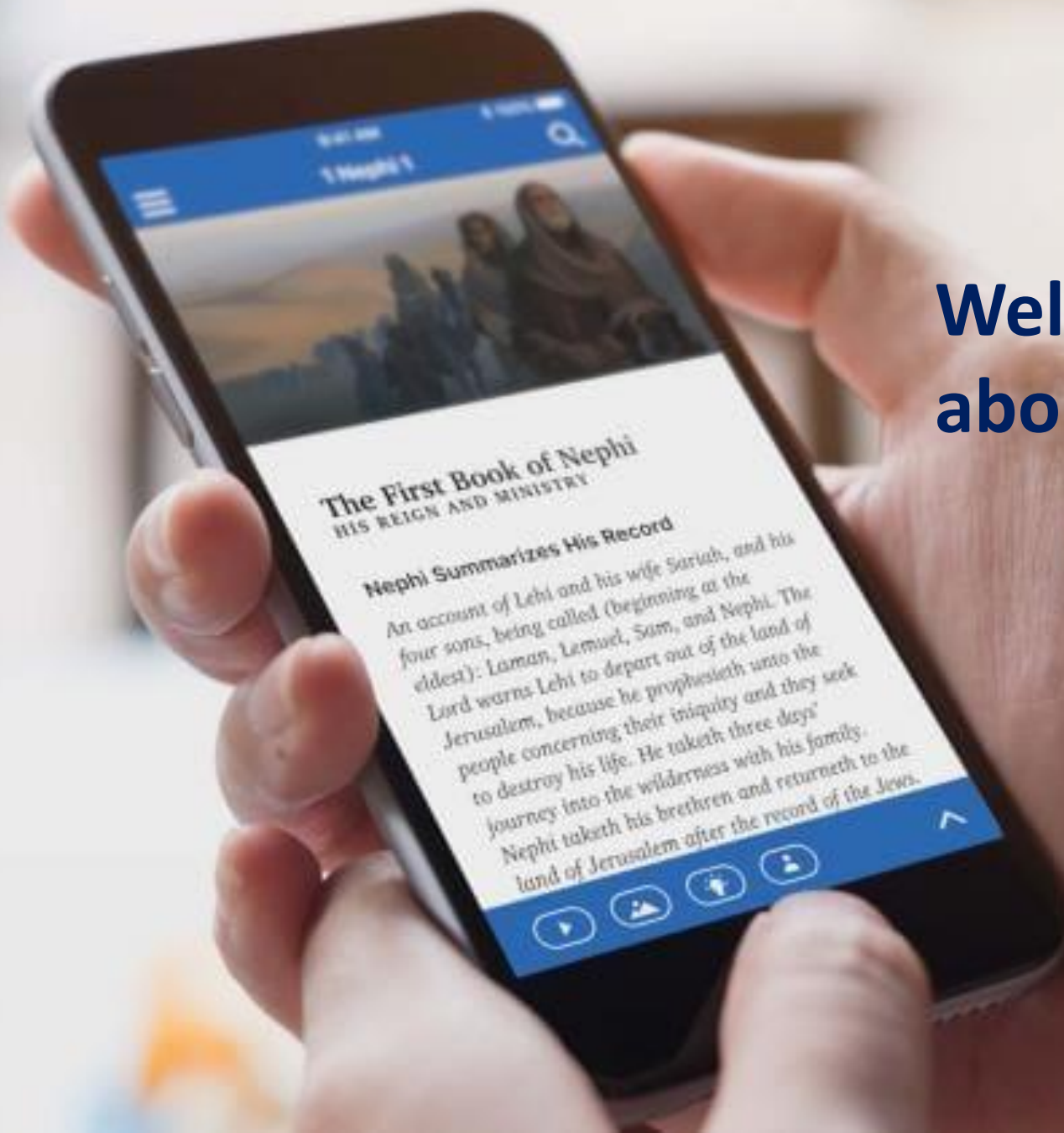
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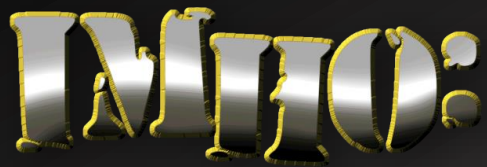
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Well, actually I do know about that.





All of your preparations for survival should be based on these survival priorities. I have factored them down into the following categories that can provide for them all:

SHELTER

FIRE

WATER

FOOD

PROTECTION

But, there is one more category that I would like to add as a priority even though it is not a biological priority like the others:

TOOLS

In order to provide for the biological needs of the human body you obviously may have to; make things, build things, find and procure things, and possibly kill things. Tools are what will allow you to achieve these survival tasks. Having those tools at your disposal when the need arises is the key to making survival much easier. Oh sure, you can go caveman and chip rocks and rub sticks together but, in this modern age (even though it's good to know how to do that) isn't that kind of dumb?

I BASE MY SURVIVAL INSTRUCTION ON THESE BASIC CONCEPTS...



ATTITUDE
APTITUDE
APARATUS

ATTITUDE





THIS MAN WAS RIGHT.

Plato, 423 BC – 347 BC, one of the world's greatest acknowledged philosophers, is attributed with this profound phrase...

“NECESSITY IS THE MOTHER OF INVENTION”

TO ME that statement means: if there is something that needs doing you will find a way to do it... if you want to do it badly enough.

WHEN LIFE GIVES YOU LEMONS...

Grab the salt shaker!

I love to eat lemons with salt on them.





**ATTITUDE IS THE DIFFERENCE
BETWEEN AN ORDEAL AND AN
ADVENTURE.**





ENEMIES TO ATTITUDE

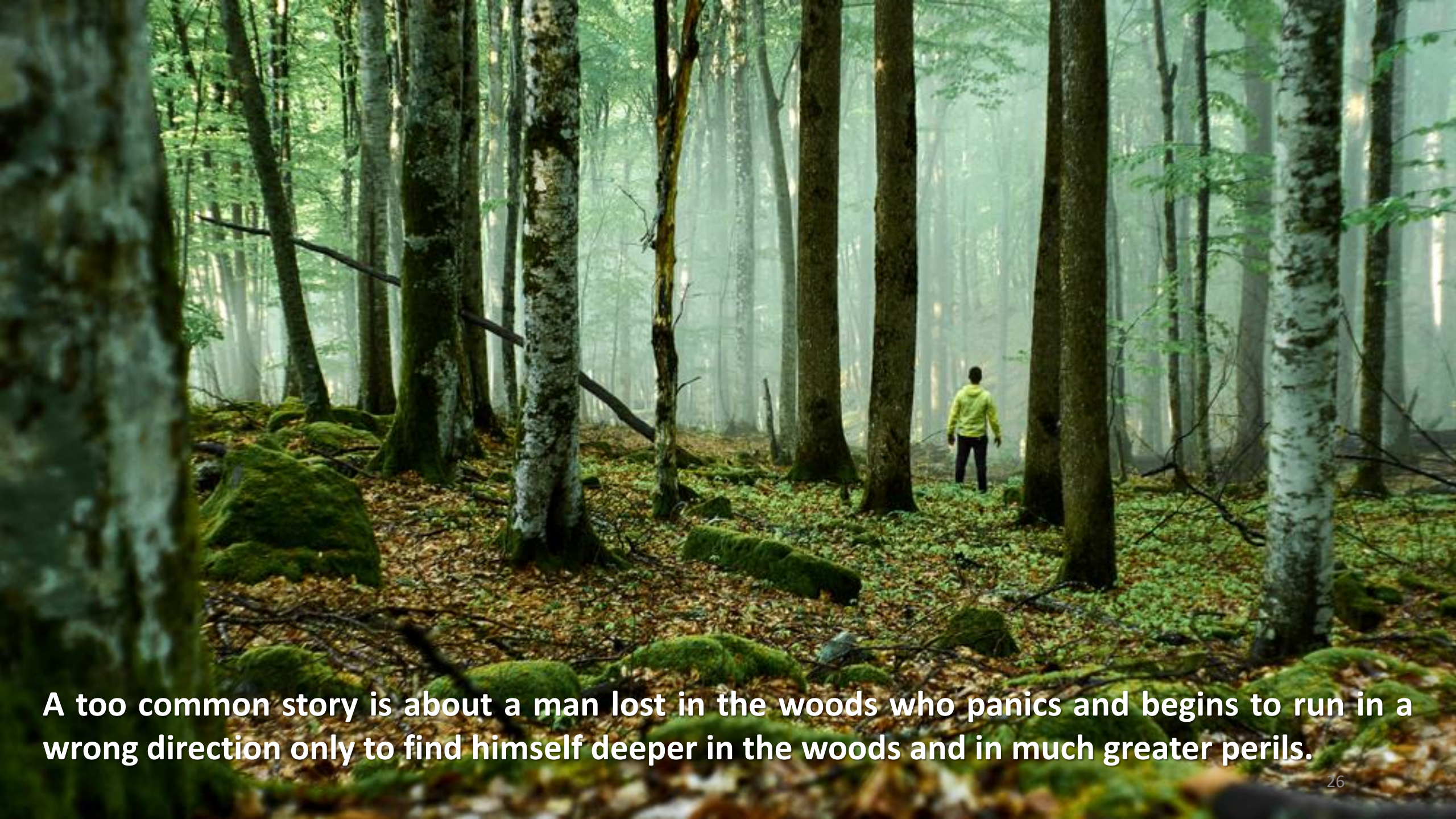
There are enemies that can destroy a Survivor's attitude.



**FEAR...BOREDOM...HUNGER and THIRST...LONELINESS...HEAT and
COLD...INJURY and PAIN.**

AND PERHAPS THE MOST DANGEROUS OF ALL : FEAR LEADING TO PANIC.

IN A SURVIVAL SITUATION, with mass chaos all around, it is hard to control our fears. It is natural to be scared, in fact, it can be very healthy. Our natural fears can keep us safe by making us cautious. Some of the scariest people I have been around are those who seem to have no fear. They take risks that could lead to bad consequences. But it's not good to be timid and afraid of your own shadow either... that can have bad consequences too.



A too common story is about a man lost in the woods who panics and begins to run in a wrong direction only to find himself deeper in the woods and in much greater perils.



BOREDOM: Do music! If you play the harmonica, great! If you don't, learn! They are easy to pack and easy to learn to play.

STUDY YOUR survival manual. Become expert in wild edibles, traps and snares and such, and practice building them. Read and study scriptures or inspirational materials. Play scenarios in your head. Play small puzzles or games. Whittle useful implements. Keep working every day to improve your shelter, survival area and your gear. **Just keep active!**



These will keep you busy!



APTITUDE





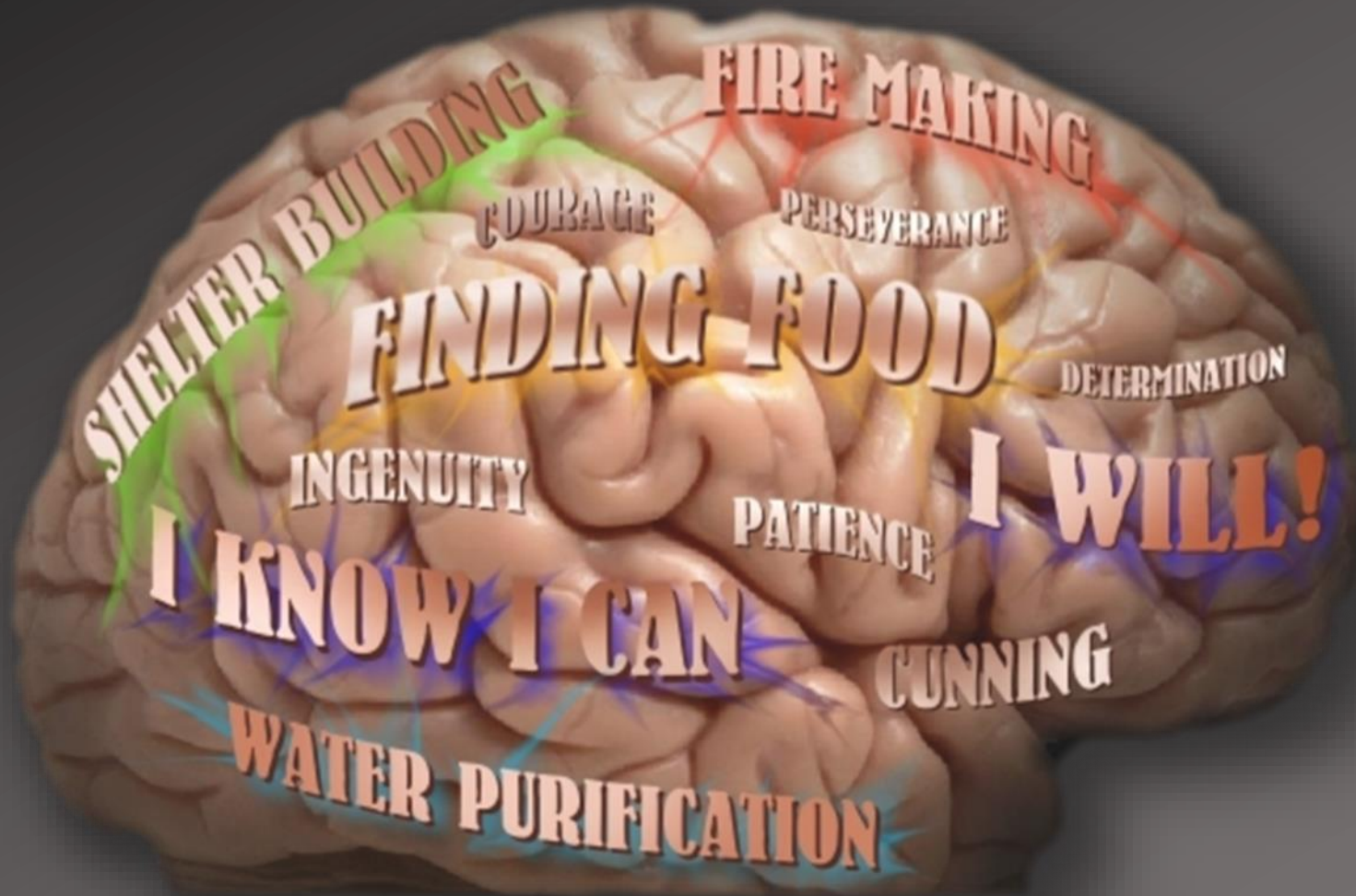
THIS MAN WAS RIGHT.

Horace Kephart, 1862-1931, gave us this phrase...

“THE MORE YOU CARRY IN YOUR HEAD, THE LESS YOU CARRY ON YOUR BACK.”

TO ME, relating to survival, that means if you know how to “find” food then you don’t have to carry twenty pounds of canned beans in your survival pack. That applies, as well, to all the other survival priorities. Having a good understanding and knowledge of survival skills stored in your head will greatly enhance your chances of survival...as well as lightening your load.

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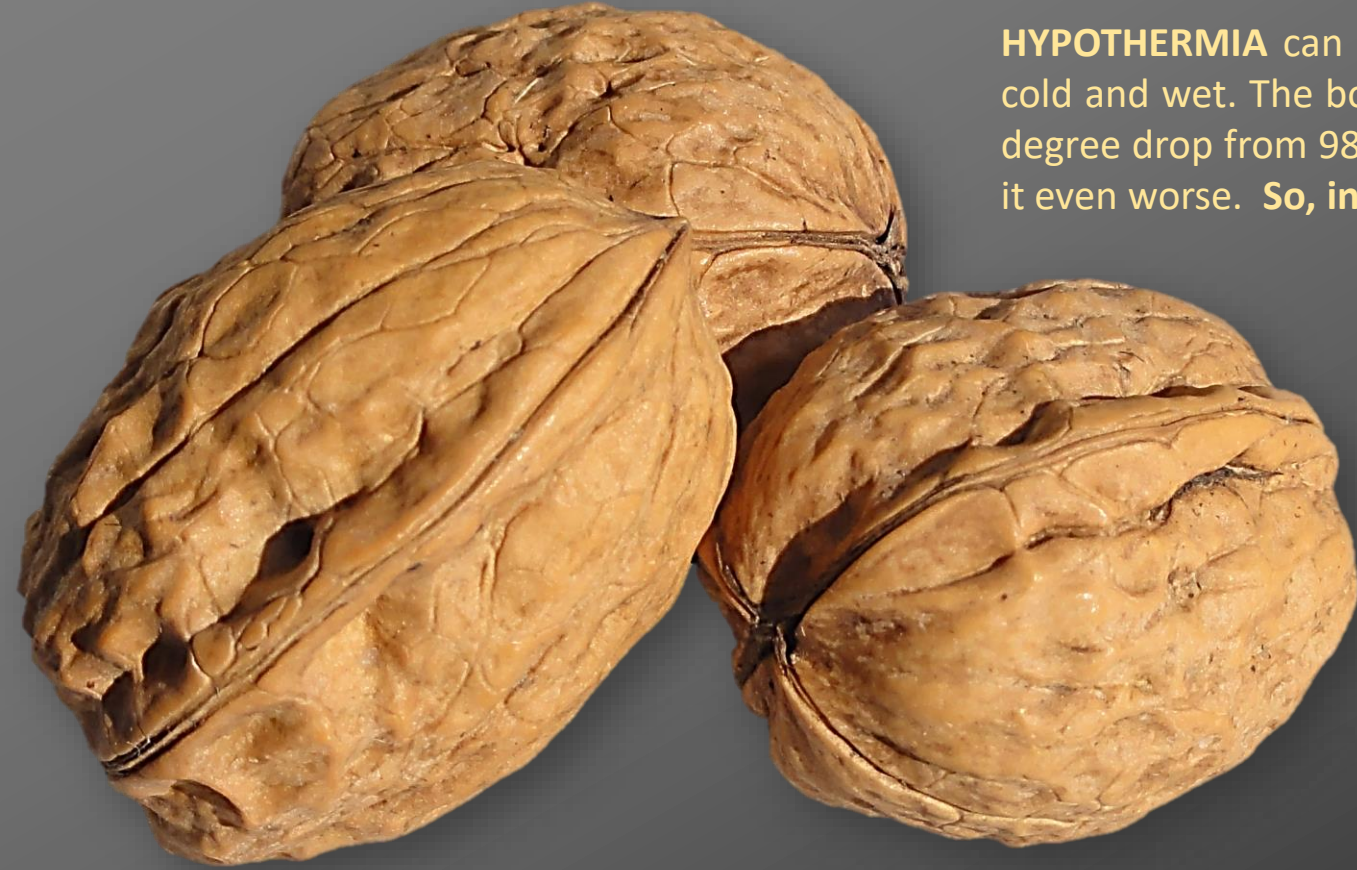




NOT THIS...

LESSON TWO: SHELTER

SHELTER IN A NUTSHELL...



HYPOTHERMIA can kill within three hours. You can become hypothermic by being cold and wet. The body quickly loses heat, and the body temperature lowers. A ten degree drop from 98.6 can cause death within three hours. Being in the wind makes it even worse. **So, in light of that...**

- 1. YOU GOTTA STAY WARM**
- 2. YOU GOTTA STAY DRY**
- 3. YOU GOTTA STAY OUT OF THE WIND**

Note: Hyperthermia (heatstroke) is the opposite, but you get just as dead.

**WHICH MEANS...YOU GOTTA FIND,
WEAR, BUILD, OR MAKE SOMETHING
TO KEEP YOU THAT WAY!**

THAT'S SHELTER. It protects you from the elements.

This is the ticket!



THE BIVVY



I HOPE THAT YOU are learning that you don't have to re-invent the wheel. It is good to have the knowledge of how to build different shelters, but if you have this bivy in your survival pack you won't need to. You'll be carrying your shelter right there with you. I fact that's the idea of having a survival pack in the first place. Let me tell you, it will save you a lot of hassle if you are prepared before a major disaster visits your life.

That bivy sack is a complete shelter all in itself. Crawl inside with warm clothes on and let it pour. The bivy would keep you warm and dry. Modern inventions have made it much less necessary to have to know all the skills of survival. Take advantage of the modern innovations when you can, it will save time and energy.

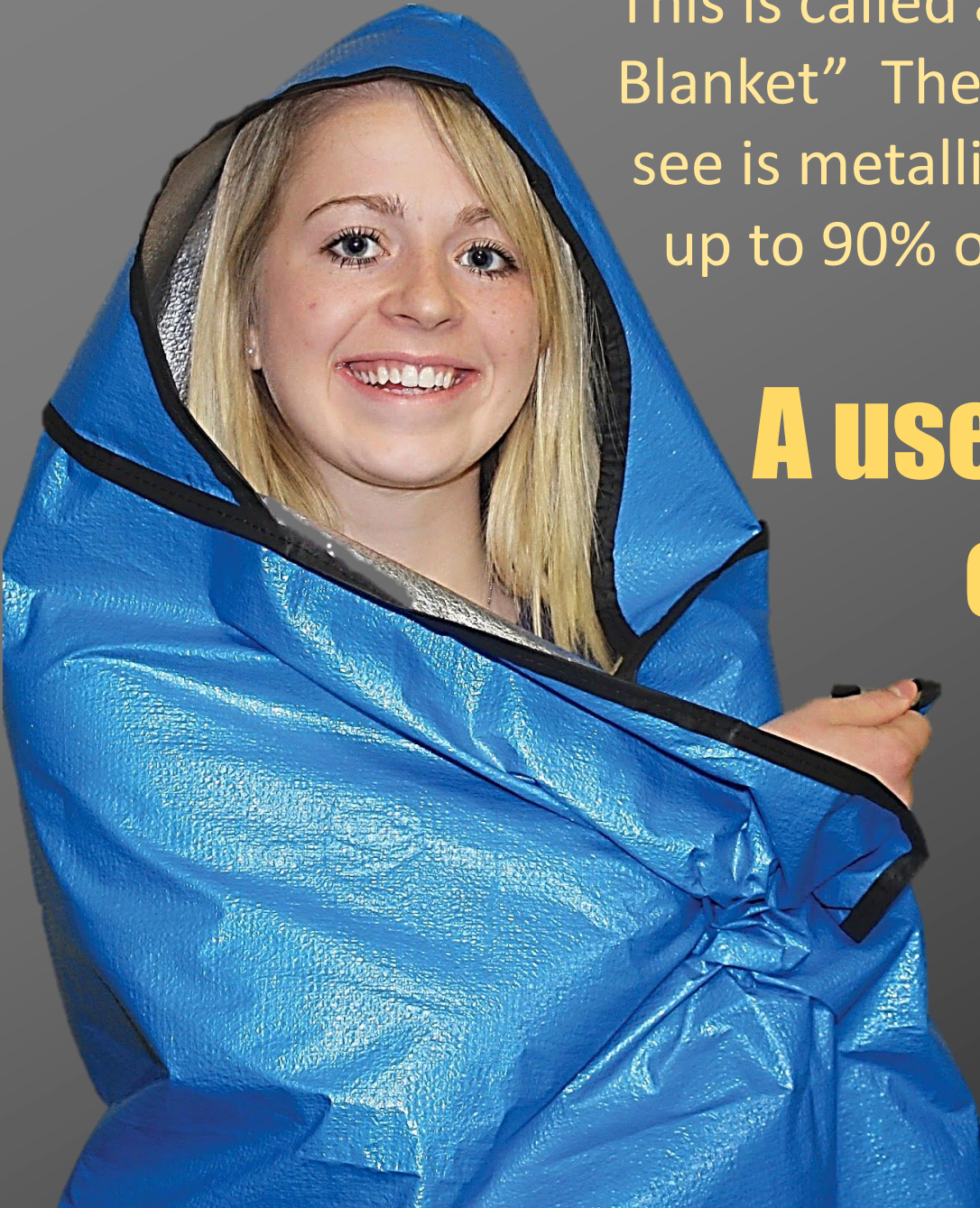
This particular bivy is...



WINDPROOF, WATERPROOF and best of all BREATHABLE!

This is called a “Sportsman’s Blanket” or an “All Weather Blanket” The silver lining that you see is metallic and reflects back up to 90% of your body heat.

**A useful piece
of kit.**



THREE VALUABLE PIECES OF KIT



THE BIVVY

THE BLANKET



THE PARACORD

THE SURVIVAL HOOCH

**Sportsmans
blanket**

Found Mop handle

Bivvy sack

Found cardboard for insulation

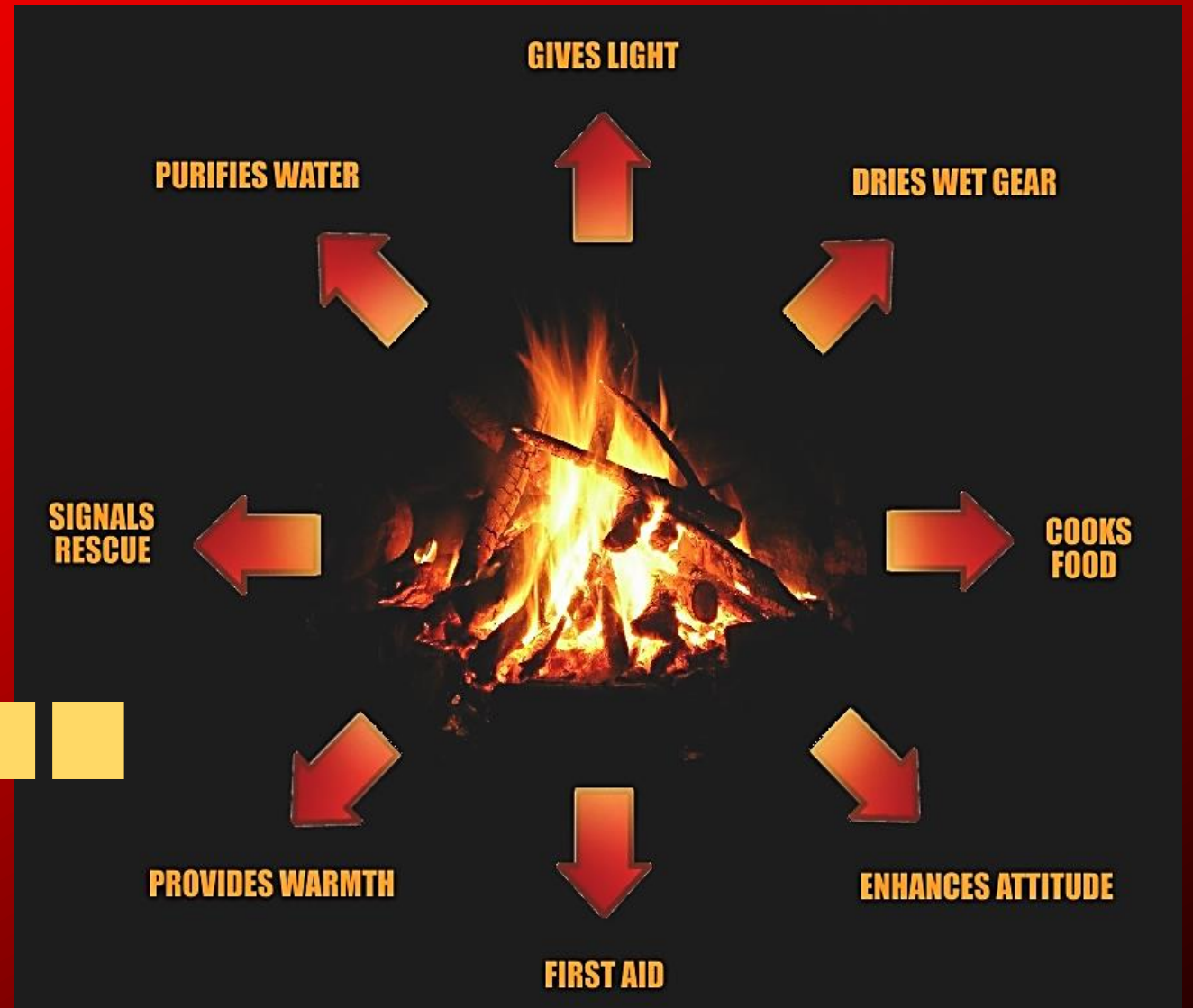
paracord

LESSON THREE: FIRE

BUT BEING ABLE TO MAKE A FIRE IS THE MOST VITAL SKILL YOU CAN LEARN...

Because

FIRE...



What other survival asset does more?

1. Ignition:

A fire kit should have at least 3 ways to start a fire!

2. Oxygenation:

A fire needs air to burn.

3. Fuel: 3 layers

TINDER

KINDLING

FUELWOOD



TO START AND MAINTAIN A FIRE YOU NEED SUPPLIES OF:

TINDER: small, light, dry, combustible materials. These are usually shredded or broken down to easily accept a spark or flame.

KINDLING: thin splints of wood or twigs that will quickly catch fire from the ignited tinder. Most often wood but cardboard is a substitute.

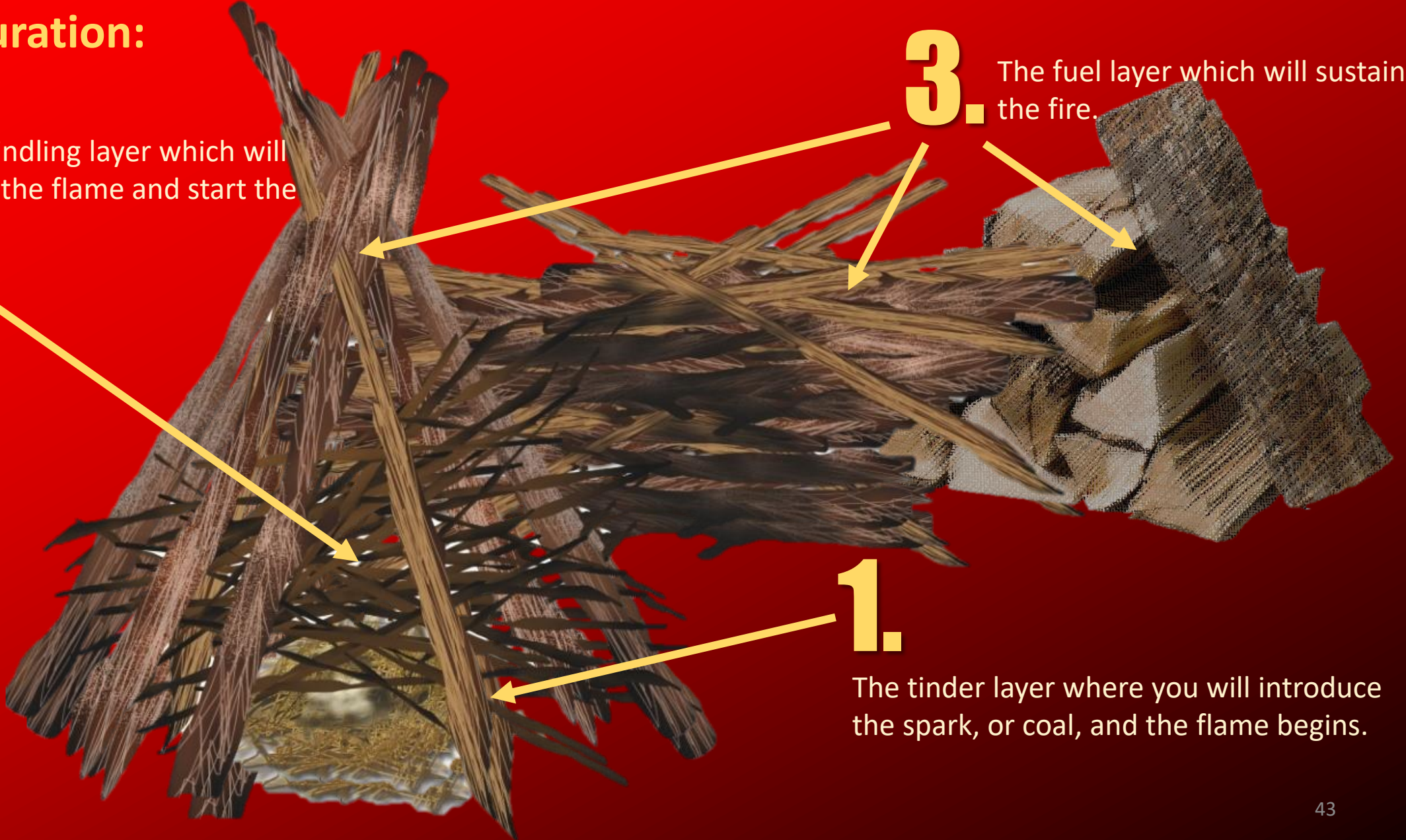
FUEL: successively larger pieces of burnable materials that will sustain a fire for as long as necessary.

A “fire lay” is a configuration of the 3 layers of fuel. This is a “teepee” configuration:

2. The kindling layer which will catch the flame and start the fire.

3. The fuel layer which will sustain the fire.

1. The tinder layer where you will introduce the spark, or coal, and the flame begins.



THE BEST NATURAL TINDER IS A BIRDNEST!



Well, not actually a bird's nest (unless you can find one) but a thing that looks just like it. It's called a "tinder bundle." You can make one from dried grasses. This nest will accept a coal, spark or flame readily. Gently blow on the coal or spark in the nest to assist the flame to grow. Quickly put the burning nest under the kindling in your fire lay.

But hey, it's the twenty-first century!



Vaseline impregnated cotton balls will catch a spark and hold a flame for almost 5 minutes.

**BUT, BETTER
YET...**



LESSON FOUR: WATER

NATURAL WATER SOURCES



1. Where to find it if you don't have it...

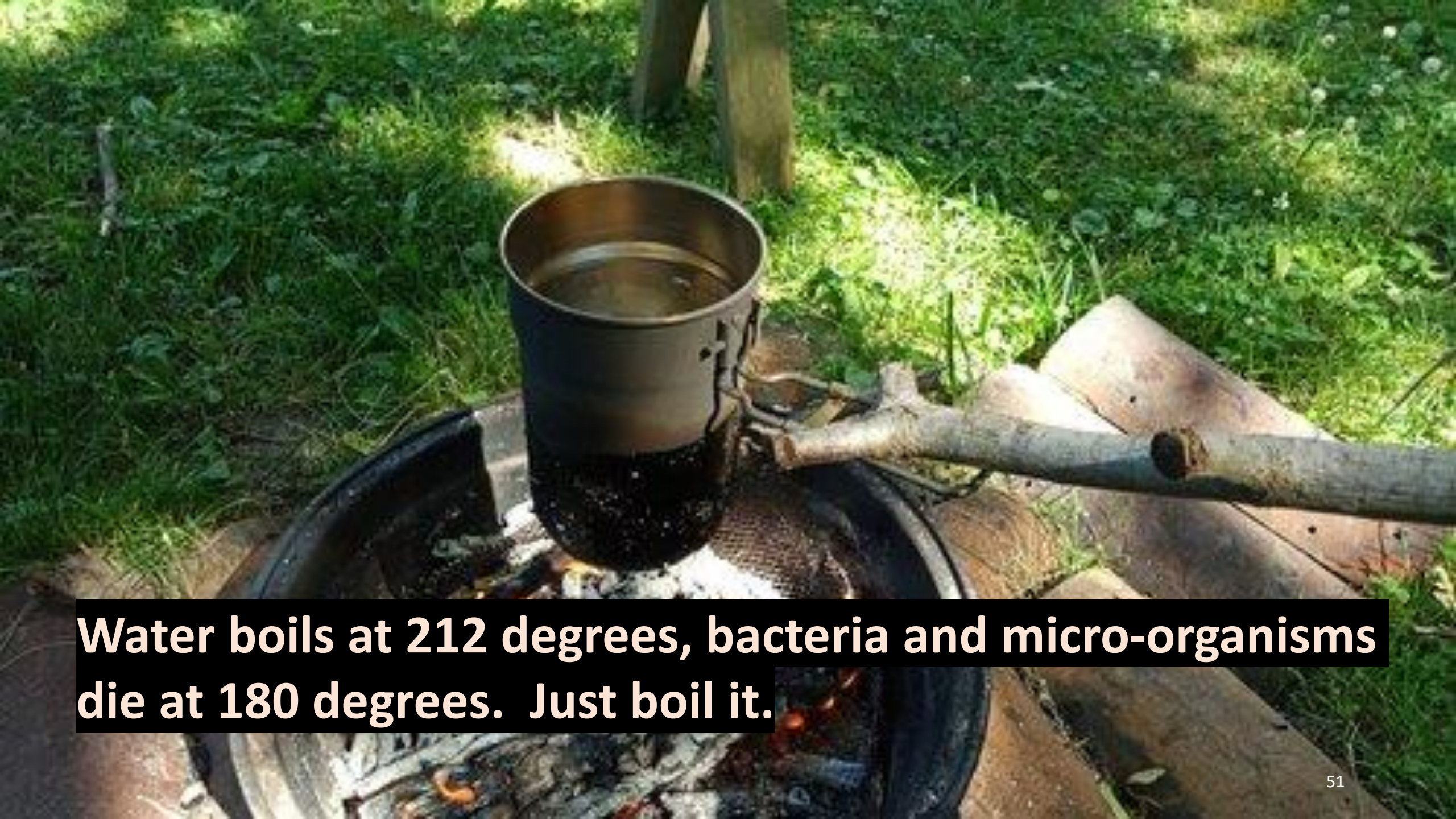


2. Making it fit to drink.



This is the ticket!



A metal pot filled with water is placed over a campfire in a fire pit. The fire is burning brightly, and the water in the pot is boiling. The background shows a grassy area with some trees and a wooden stick leaning against the fire pit.

Water boils at 212 degrees, bacteria and micro-organisms die at 180 degrees. Just boil it.

LESSON FIVE: FOOD

AN EASY TO MAKE SURVIVAL FOOD!



I HAVE DEVELOPED a substance that I call “survival gruel.” It fulfills all my requirements for packing, nutrition, and cost; you make it yourself...and it doesn’t taste half bad. A relatively small amount can provide sustenance for three days. Soup (gruel) is an excellent survival food as it is mostly water yet filling. It is also easy to make and modify for ingredients on hand. Get some water boiling, toss in some stuff and eat, doesn’t get much easier than that.

THE INGREDIENTS for my gruel can be purchased at most grocery stores, but you will need a coffee/seed grinder, or a good blender to prepare it, and of course boiling water. But wait, if the power is out you could use a hand grinder, mortar and pestle, or a molcajete. —————→



MAIN INGREDIENTS:

Instant rice white or brown

Dehydrated refried beans

Instant potatoes

Bouillon cubes, chicken or beef

Salt and pepper

OPTIONS:

Your favorite spices.

Meat packets: tuna, chicken, salmon etc.

DIRECTIONS:

In the grinder (or blender) separately pulverize enough beans, rice and potatoes to make one cup each. You want to grind these foods into powder so they will easily and quickly dissolve and re-constitute in hot water.



These meat packets are lightweight and easy to pack. They can add a lot of protein and substance as well as flavor to the “gruel.”



I don't come in a foil package, but I'd work too!



CHIA SEEDS?

Recently I have learned about a new (well new to me it's actually ancient) food stuff that really excites me. This super food was used by the Aztecs.

Their warriors carried it as a primary food source. I'm talking about *Salvia Hispanica*, or more commonly called Chia Seeds. These little seeds are rich in Omega 3's, and other nutrients. When moistened, either by adding to liquids, or swallowing with water, they will expand six times their normal size. So, swallow a teaspoonful of these with some water, it won't taste like you've eaten mashed potatoes and gravy, but you'll feel like it. Imagine that!

I will be mixing Chia seeds in my survival gruel from now on. They have very little flavor, not unpleasant at all, but lots of possibilities. Remember Chia Pets? You can eat the greens that come from the sprouted seeds. **WOW**, a real use for a Chia Pet! Who knew?



SO, HOW DO YOU COOK SURVIVAL GRUEL?



Boil one cup of water, add one bouillon cube (let dissolve), and stir in one teaspoon of each food powder and a pinch of the spice mix. Let this sit for a bit and enjoy. It should be the consistency of a thick soup or porridge, but you can make it as thick or thin as you want. Adding a little meat or foraged veggies will make it heartier. Add some chia seeds!

LESSON SIX: PROTECTION

"Behold, I send you forth as sheep in the midst of wolves: be ye therefore wise as serpents, and harmless as doves." Matt 10:16

IMHO:



It is the peaceful dove, and the armed serpent, it is not one or the other. It is to be both at the same time. There's a time for peace and a time for war. It is time to become prepared for the possible calamities that have been foretold for our time.

**IF YOU ARE PREPARED
YOU NEED NOT FEAR.**



I referenced a scripture from the book of Matthew in which the Lord counsels His apostles to be wise like a serpent and harmless like a dove. I have lived in the New Mexico desert and in Texas, both of which could be rightly considered as snake country. I have hiked the arroyos, the hills and the wetlands, I have seen many snakes. In Texas I had a special 10,000 acre “roaming place” where there was a river and a lake. But, I roamed all over that place and never saw one snake (even though Texas was a moccasin haven.) I mentioned this to my brother and he responded...”yeah, but they saw you.” I believe he was right.

I have killed, and eaten, a good number of rattlesnakes but I have never been struck at or molested by any snake. I have found that,

given the chance, a snake will slither off and you’ll never see it. He doesn’t want to fight or bite, he just wants to be left alone. In this sense he is harmless as a dove, yet he is armed and if you endanger him he will defend himself with deadly means.

WHATEVER IT TAKES...



MAKE SURE YOU HAVE IT! AND KNOW HOW TO USE IT!

PROTECTION:

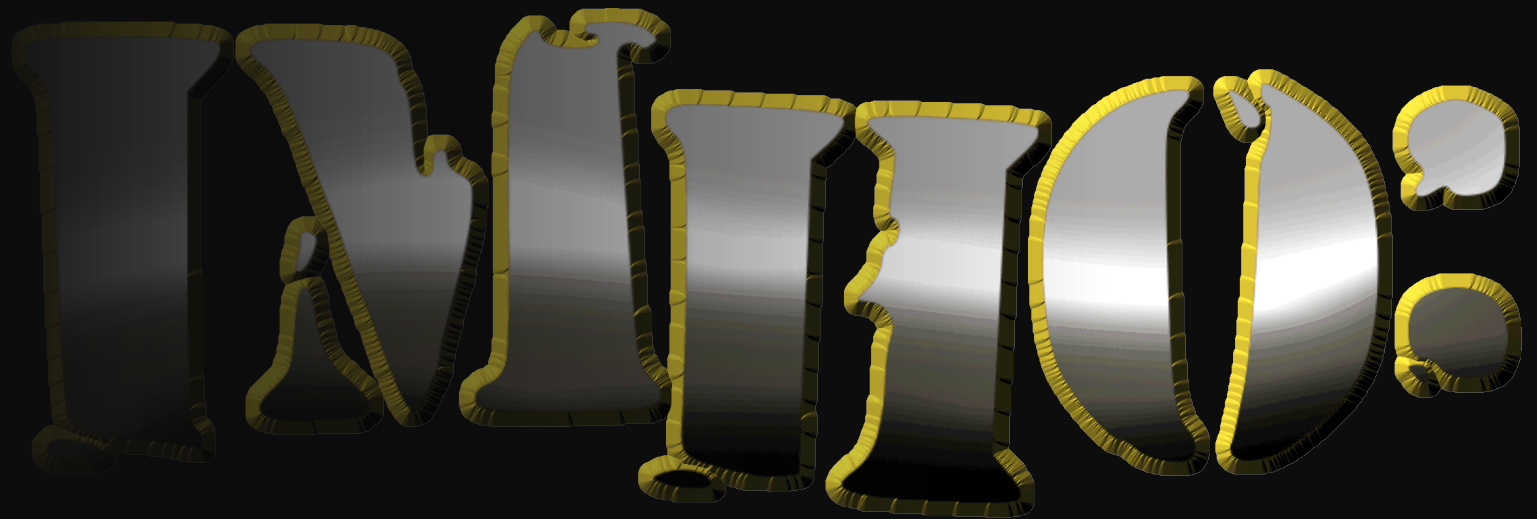
MILO:

Firearms are the most effective tools for protecting yourself, your loved ones, your friends, your personal property, and putting food in the pot. Therefore, I will show you how I handle this priority, you handle it anyway you want to.

.22 Caliber



Is my survival caliber



WHY? MMO:

Because it's the cheapest, smallest, lightest ammo available. I can store 500 rounds of .22LR in a space about 4"x 4" x 4", and I can carry 1000 rounds in my bug out pack. Try that with 7.62!

In spite of what all the "big gunners" say, and argue, the venerable twenty-two has sufficient power to inflict fatal damages to four footers and two footers alike. The fact is that a .22 caliber firearm has killed every mammal that walks on the Continental USA.

In 1953 a Cree grandma, Bella Twin, shot and killed a world record grizzly bear with her .22 caliber single shot rifle.

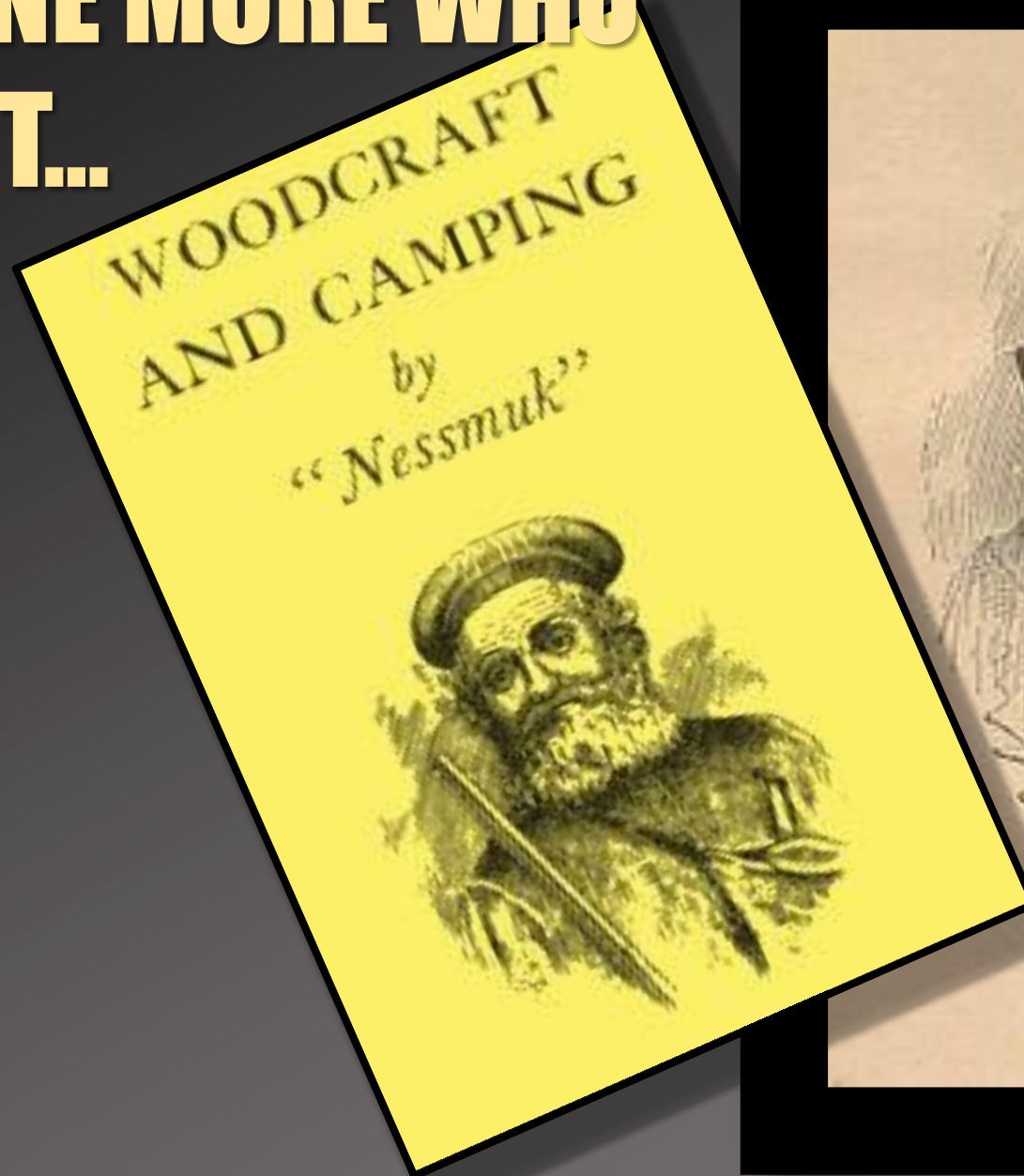
**ARGUE
WITH
THAT!**



APPARATUS

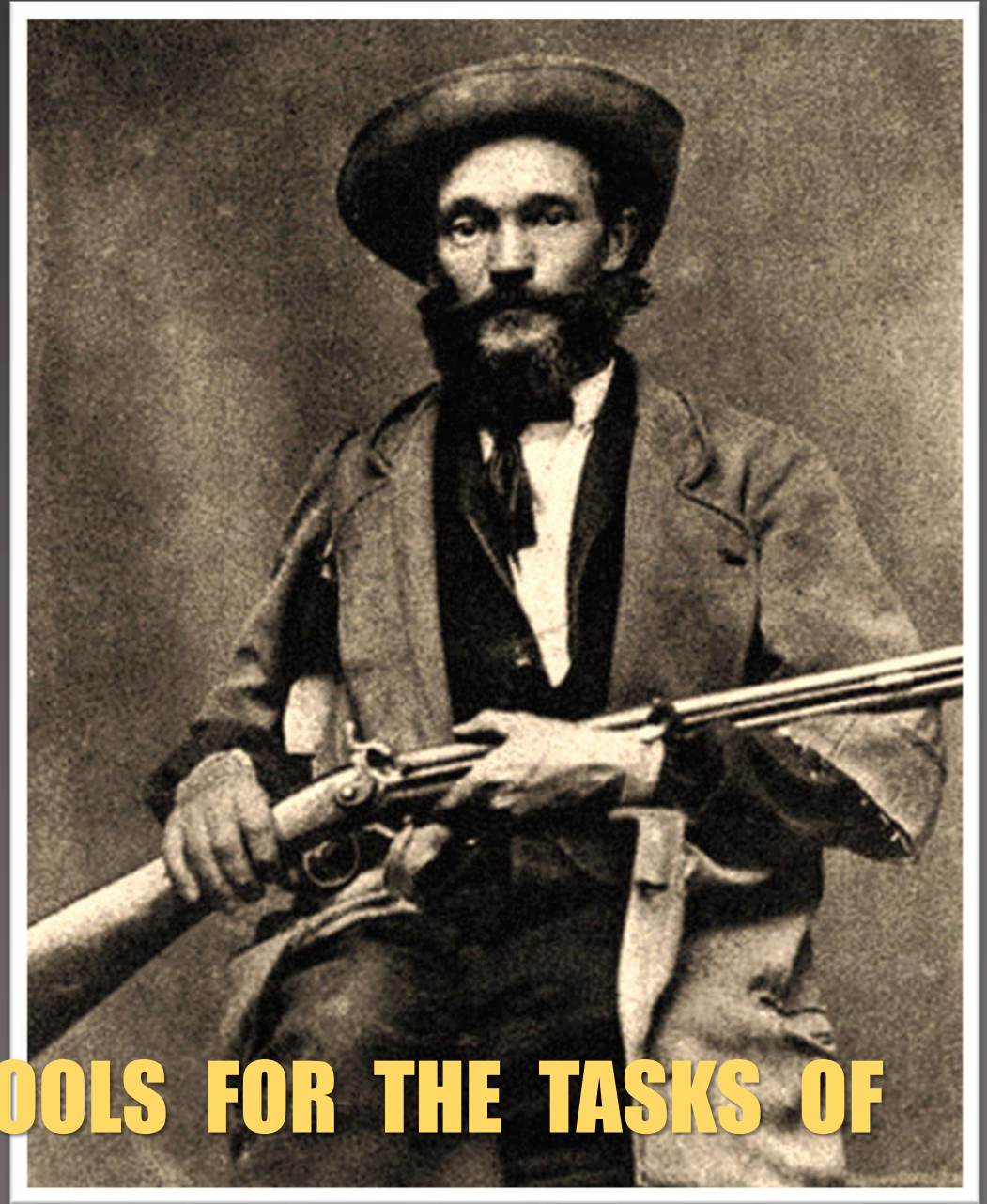


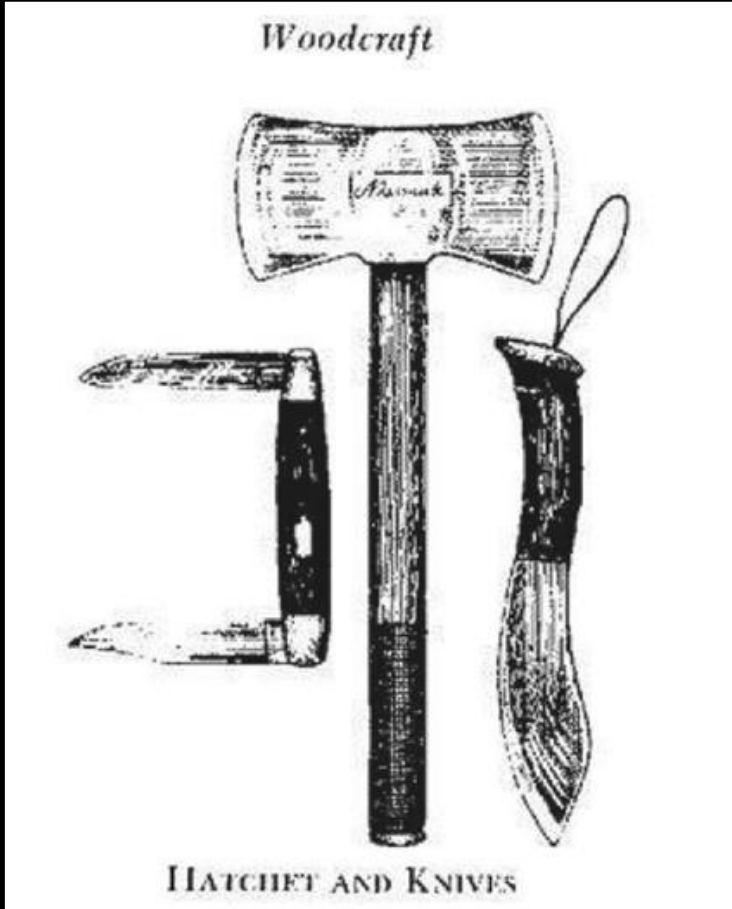
**AND YET ONE MORE WHO
WAS RIGHT...**



A NOTABLE FIGURE from the late 1800's George Washington Sears, a.k.a Nessmuk, was a writer for Forest and Stream magazine and the author of Woodcraft and Camping (1884). Nessmuk spent a lot of time in the wild canoeing and camping in the Adirondacks where he developed a system of tools that came to be called the "trilogy" or "trinity," I'll call it the "Trio." The Trio consisted of; a small short handled double bit axe, a fixed blade sheath knife, and a multi bladed folding pocketknife. His philosophy was that we should not "*rough it in the wilderness, we should smooth it.*" With these three tools he did that.

IT'S A PERFECT COMBINATION OF TOOLS FOR THE TASKS OF SURVIVAL.





Nessmuk's Trinity

THOUGH OL' NESSMUK “smoothed” the wilderness with his Trio by making shelters, camp chairs, tables and other useful devices from tree branches and trunks or preparing game for the pot; his trio of tools would be no less useful in a disaster caused urban jungle today. They might have a few different uses such as; hacking your way out of a collapsed room, hot wiring an abandoned car with a multi-tool, punching holes in tin cans, or defending your life. I can think of many other survival uses for a set of tools like this, **but I don't want to imagine how hard things could get if you didn't have them.**

IMHO: Everyone should have a Trio in their life.

Remember this name and what it means.

TRIO...
TRIO...
TRIO!



This is my example of a modern Trio. The multi-tool replaces the pocketknife as it is far more useful, especially in an urban survival scenario.

Let me add one more vital tool



**FERRO
FERRO
FERRO**

The ferrocerium rod fire starting tool. This tool , which creates very hot sparks, will strike a flame in virtually any fine dry tinder from dryer lint and cotton balls, to shredded cedar bark and fatwood shavings. It is indispensable!

This is how it works...



Now for what I really came here to talk to you about tonight.

I hope to convince you to take action in preparing for a problem that is unique to us Sanpete County folks. A problem that I believe constitutes an imminent danger.

THE SCENARIO

The Wasatch Fault



The **Wasatch Fault** is an active fault located primarily on the western edge of the Wasatch Mountains in the U.S. states of Utah and Idaho. The fault is about 240 miles long, stretching from southern Idaho, through northern Utah, before terminating in central Utah near the town of Fayette. The fault is made up of ten segments, five of which are considered active. On average the segments are approximately 25 miles long, each of which can independently produce earthquakes as powerful as local magnitude **7.5**. The five active segments from north to south are called the BRIGHAM CITY Fault Segment, the WEBER Fault Segment, the SALT LAKE CITY Fault Segment, the PROVO FAULT Segment and the NEPHI FAULT Segment.

THE WASATCH FAULT IS OVERDUE FOR A MAJOR EARTHQUAKE!

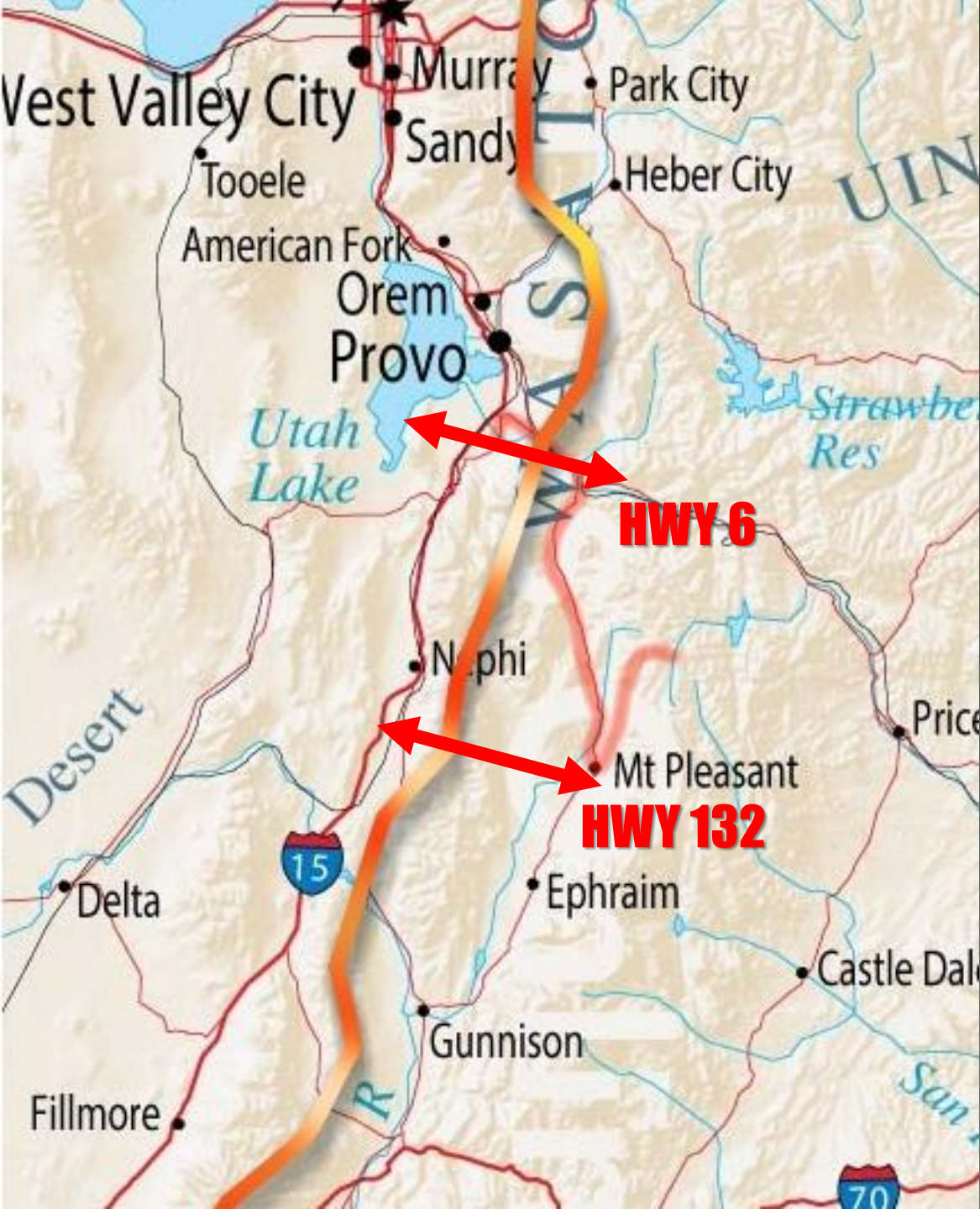


This is where I used to live.

And do you see those mountains in the background? That is the Wasatch Range. Do you also see that orange line? Well, that's the Wasatch Fault that runs along the Wasatch front. It's overdue for a major earthquake.

HERE'S WHERE WE LIVE! Lucky us.





Here's the problem, your access to the cities over the mountain depends on two highways; Highway 6 to Spanish Fork and highway 132 to Nephi. Both of which cross the Faultline. If you travel up to Costco, like I'm sure you do often, and the Wasatch Fault goes boom...you may not be able to get home with your car! In a major quake it is most likely that both highways will be damaged, and probably impassable.



YOU COULD BE ON FOOT!

HERE'S SOMETHING TO SERIOUSLY CONSIDER:

While you're on a shopping trip in the big city forty-five miles from home with your besties (maybe having someone with you will make this a little less scary). Your kids are at home, or at school. Think about this! Look down at your feet, are you even

wearing shoes that will allow you to walk 45 miles to get home?

And, what will you have to walk through, over, or around to get home? And, who, and what, might you have to deal with?

Imagine what things would be like in a 7.5 EARTHQUAKE scenario; darkness, panic, chaos...that's bad juju Mama.



**AND THIS IS ALL
YOU'VE GOT?**





**AND YOU'VE GOT TO
GET HOME TO HER?**



**It's time to learn to survive
anytime, any place, against
all odds...and thrive!**

Before we begin, here are two concepts that I want you to consider in regard to the things I'm going to teach you:

1. Remember...

There's more than one way to skin a cat. If you find a different way to do something... and you can make it work... it's all good!



2. IT'S ALWAYS GOOD TO THINK “OUT OF THE BOX!”



ALSO...

In a survival scenario there are certain pieces of gear that are vital. These pieces are usually very difficult to make from natural materials (it can be done, but it's hard). Survival aficionados have factored them down to "THE FIVE C'S OF SURVIVAL SUSTAINABILITY" and they are:

CUTTING TOOLS Primarily knives and axes.

COVER Weatherproof material for shelter.

CORDAGE Twine, paracord, rope.

COMBUSTION Firestarting tools, ferro rod, matches, lighter.

CONTAINER For water collection, preservation and boiling. Should be stainless steel.

The **5C's**

In any kit that you put together you should consider this concept and use it as a baseline for what your kit will contain.

**LET'S TALK ABOUT GETTING
PREPARED TO GET BACK HOME
OVER THAT MOUNTAIN!**





BE SMART, ALWAYS DRESS APPROPRIATELY FOR THE WEATHER!

ANIMAL? VEGETABLE? MINERAL?

Clothing is your first defense against the elements. One very important thing to consider in clothing is the material it's made of. There are basically three kinds of materials for making clothes; plant, animal and synthetic. Each has its own characteristics and value as shelter. The thing to consider is the material's insulation properties and moisture shedding capabilities.



So which to choose? That depends on the climate. Clothing made from plant fibers usually lose all insulation properties when wet or damp. Therefore they are most useful in hot dry regions. Animal fibers have high insulation properties and retain them when wet or damp, but they tend to be heavy. Man-made fibers can be manufactured to mimic the weight and insulation properties of both plant and animal fibers, and usually retain those properties when wet or damp. Synthetics are usually much lighter in weight with nearly the same insulation value.



A waterproof/breathable rainsuit can be a life saver!

HAVING SUCH AN outfit in your car also insures that, no matter what, you will have clothes to wear should you be required to “get home” in a catastrophe not being prepared (one of my worst nightmares). Wearing this suit becomes a shelter all on its own.





DON'T BE THIS GUY!

Don't forget a hat!



OUR BODIES naturally generate heat. This heat is necessary to keep the body core, where all the vital giblets reside, comfortably at that life preserving 98.6 degree temperature.

WHEN YOUR core temp starts to fall (called hypothermia), the body wisely brings heat in from the extremities back to the core to protect those organs. This is why your fingers, nose, toes, feet and hands get cold first. The top of your head is like a fireplace chimney, dissipating excess body heat away from the core.

PUT YOUR hand on your head for a minute and you'll feel the warmth leaving. If you want to keep that heat inside your body, cover your head with something, anything, especially a hat or cap. Go out and play in the snow for awhile without a hat. Your fingers, toes and nose will surely get cold.

PUT ON a hat and you'll feel them warm up. I recommend a "beanie cap" for cold weather. A hat is also important in hot weather. Hyperthermia (increased body temperature) can lead to heat stroke and death. A hat with a large brim can shade your head and neck from the hot sun.

**YOU'VE ONLY
GOT TWO,
BETTER TAKE
GOOD CARE OF
THEM.**

TWO WORDS:

**PROPER SHOES
& SOCKS!**

...well, four



If you have ever had even a small blister on your foot you will not need much explanation as to why you need to protect your feet.

It's not so much the pain as the inability to function in necessities of disaster action. If you can't walk you can't do much of anything.

Proper footwear is the answer.



NYLON LINER SOCK

WOOL SOCK



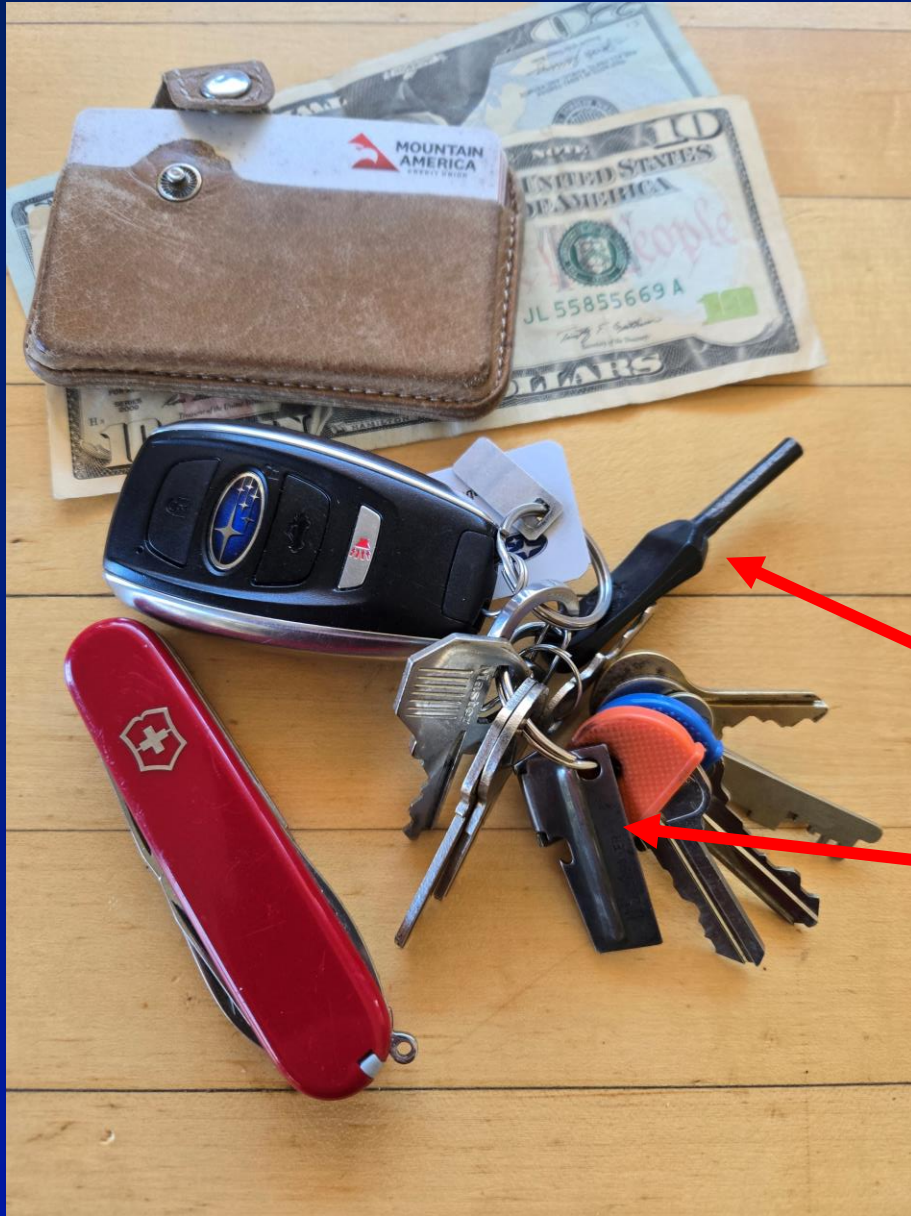
EVERY DAY FOR ME:

I'm retired , but it seems that at sometime during the day I find myself in my truck heading out to town (I live in the country) or even the big city some 50 miles away. So, the first thing that I do is **DRESS APPROPRIATELY FOR THE WEATHER!** Shouldn't even need to say this, but if you've ever been in Walmart on a cold snowy day...just sayin'. Don't even get me started about the poor little babies with their bare feet sticking out of the cart. **EVERY TIME YOU LEAVE YOUR HOUSE YOU DO NOT REALLY KNOW WHEN, OR EVEN IF, YOU WILL RETURN.**

Now, if the clothes you're wearing don't have pockets then that means you're probably carrying a purse, or some sort of bag. Pockets are where I carry a few bits that may come in handy while I'm out and about. Same applies to you purse toters (however pockets are the best bet because nobody can grab your pockets and run off down the road...without you coming along anyway.



**SO, WHAT'S IN MY
POCKETS?**



Wallet with a little cash
Swiss Army Knife
My key chain with two
important items:

MINI FERRO ROD
P38 CAN OPENER



NORTH AMERICAN ARMS
PROVO, UT

.357 MAGNUM



UNCLE SAM'S
— SINCE 1947 —
SIZE 3



OR ON MY BELT...

I usually carry a small fixed blade sheath knife on my belt. A knife that could be used for processing wood for a fire, shelter building or, if needed, defensive duties.

Properly dressed, it's time to climb into my 4x4 pickup truck and get going.





BUT I KNOW...

That stowed away in a compartment under my rear seat is; a .22 revolver with 200 rounds of ammo, a package of antibacterial wipes, two cans of beef stew, two water bottles and somewhere in the truck a pair of heavy shoes. Plus my Badger Bag.



THE BADGER BAG

This is a “sling bag” with one strap that goes over the shoulder. Kinda like some of the purses you ladies carry, maybe you could call it a “murse,” but believe me with what’s inside it’d be the “murse” from hell.

- This bag holds the tools and gear that I will need to get safely home. I'll take it apart piece by piece and show you what I keep in it, and how I will use it. The bag is organized in line with the survival priorities; tools, shelter, fire, water, food and protection.

- It is also set up to deal with the possibility that I may have to spend a night or two before I make it home.



A tactical shoulder sling bag, olive green in color, is positioned on a light-colored wooden floor. The bag features multiple compartments, straps, and buckles, suggesting it is designed for outdoor or urban survival. A wide, dark green strap is visible extending from the bottom of the bag. In the background, a window with a wooden frame looks out onto a blurred outdoor scene with trees. A pair of binoculars is visible on the windowsill to the right. The text "THE BAG" is overlaid in red at the top center of the image.

THE BAG

**Shoulder Sling Bag
from
Stealth Angel
Outdoor and Urban
Survival**



FROM THE BACK

25' Paracord

FROM ONE SIDE

Sturdy gloves

Pepper spray canister

Fatwood stick



Note:
The whistle,
along with the
signal mirror
are important
tools for
signalling.
Note the small
compass...two
is one, one is
none.

FROM THE OTHER SIDE

The Whistle



FIRST ZIPPER POCKET

Note:

A Sillcock Key is used for accessing water from spigots or sillcocks that do not have handles, on the outside of buildings.



Sillcock Key



Spork (divided, not broken)



SECOND ZIPPER POCKET

Hard candies

Extra AAA batteries

Chia Seeds and
bouillion

Zip Fizz

First aid kit

Signal mirror

Dental hygiene

Entertainments

Compass



MAIN ZIPPERED POCKET

Bivvy sack
Stainless cup
Headlamp
Belt

Water purifier, filter

Hatchet

Folding
Saw

Multi
Tool

Fixed
Blade
Knife

Knife
sharpener

Fire Kit

Folding stove
With fuel



**Ferrocerium Fire Starter
Called the Blast Match,
Made by UST (Ultimate
Survival Technologies).**

Extra Ferro Rod

Bic Lighter

**UCO Storm
Matches**



AFTERTHOUGHTS:

Some additional items that could be very useful:

Cell phone charging apparatus to include charge cord, USB wall charger and 12v USB charger.

Portable power bank

Personal medications

Any special personal needs





So, here's how we go over the mountain to Costco...

AND HERE'S HOW WE'LL GET BACK!

**FOLLOW THE
RAILROAD TRACK**



The track affords the most level footpath with the least climb in elevation. You could also follow the riverbed. Along the way there are wooded areas and scrub oak in which you could take shelter and hide if necessary. There's no cell coverage through this pass.



THE END