

## June 2020 Laity Minute

I'm sure many of you have seen the Disney movie *Frozen*. (I bet several of you have already seen *Frozen 2*, as well.) Some of you have probably seen the movie more times than you care to publicly admit. I wish I could blame my niece Scarlett for how many times I have seen it, but the truth is, I just love Disney movies. I'm pretty sure I've seen about every one of them dozens of times. I love the characters who have stood the test of time like Sleeping Beauty and Snow White. Elsa and Ana are the main characters in the *Frozen* movies, but there's something special about their sweet, little snowman friend, Olaf.

He technically is the comical relief. He is an innocent little fellow with a sweet personality and he is extremely caring. But one characteristic I truly love about Olaf is his ability to see the good in just about everything. His signature song in the first movie is called, "In Summer." Olaf visualizes how wonderful summer can be. He dreams about the things he will do and the fun he will have while basking in the summer sun.

*"I'll finally see a summer breeze, blow away a winter storm and find out what happens to solid water when it gets warm! And I can't wait to see, what my buddies all think of me; just imagine how much cooler I'll be in summer....."*

There's one thing we can learn from our blissful friend, Olaf. He doesn't really know what summer will be like. He has no idea because he's never experienced it. He's heard about it and he's talked with his friends about it. There's uncertainty about what summer is really going to be like. But, that doesn't faze him. He is still as confident as ever that summer will be all he's ever dreamed. Even when others try to bring him down, he remains joyful and remains happy in his unwavering spirit.

We live in a time of great uncertainty. We are just not sure about what's next and how we can possibly handle whatever that is. We also don't know what the future holds. It's easy to be fearful of the unknown.

But, maybe we can be a little more like Olaf. He isn't fearful at all. He has a steadfast faith that when he gets to summer, it's going to be amazing. When he sees a puddle while singing his song, he doesn't let that stop him or worry that could be him. He simply jumps over it and continues along his journey. While we make our way to the other side, we too, can have that unmoving faith that even though we have only heard about it, we can be 100% positive, it's all we dreamed it would be.

*"When life gets rough, I like to hold onto my dream of relaxing in the summer sun, just letting off steam. Oh, the sky would be blue, and you guys will be there too, when I finally do what frozen things do in summer..."*



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