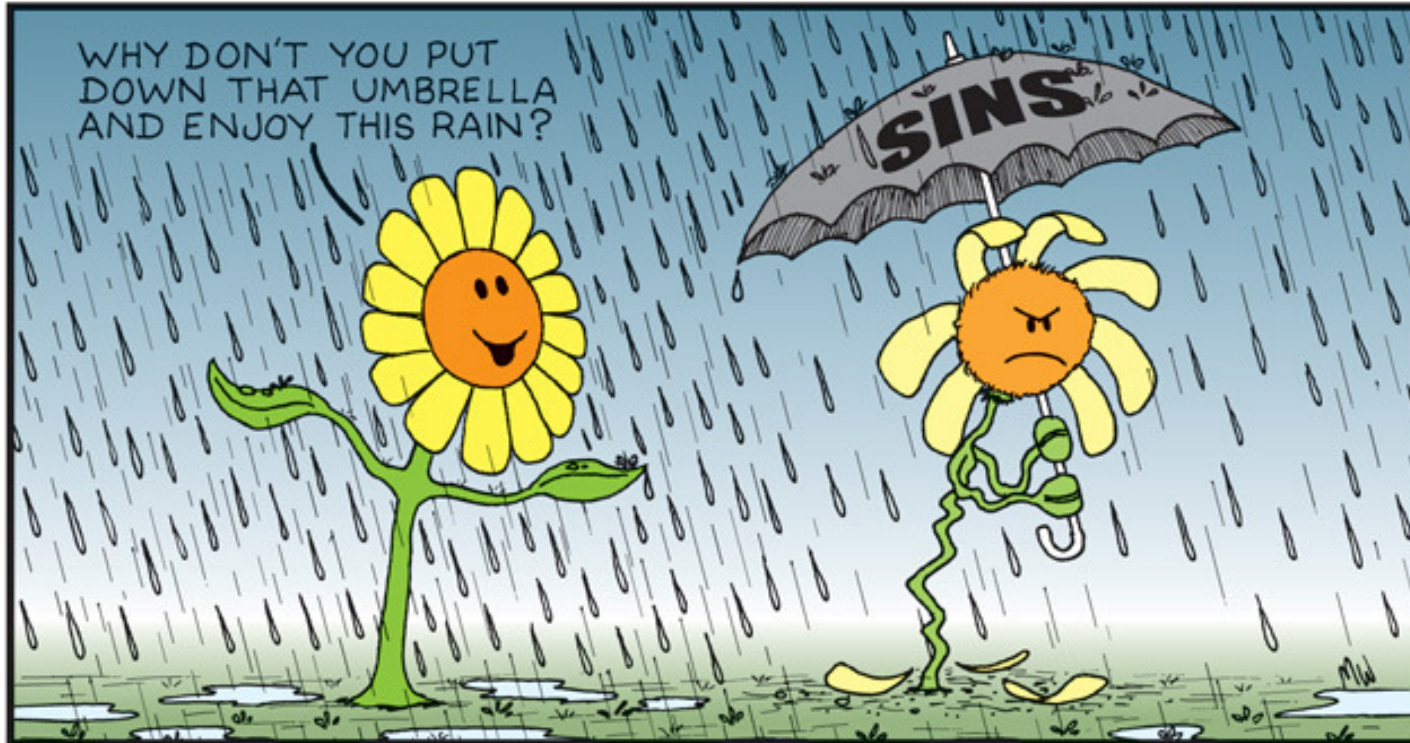


RAIN OF GOD'S GRACE

A Joyful 'toon by Mike Waters



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— JEREMIAH 5:24-25 KJV

(Jeremiah 5:24-25) Neither (**not**) say they in their heart (**thinking**), Let us now fear the LORD our God, that giveth rain, both the former (**early**) and the latter (**later**), in his season (**time**): he reserveth (**keeps**) unto us the appointed (**given**) weeks of the harvest. (25) Your iniquities (**bad do**) have turned away these things (**God's blessings**), and your sins have withholden (**block**) good things from you.

- In Israel the former—early rains came in the autumn (October-November) and the latter rain came in the spring (March-April).