

# Scott's Thoughts

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*“Then the Lord your God will restore your fortunes and have mercy on you, and he will gather you again from all the peoples where the Lord your God has scattered you.” (Deuteronomy 30:3, ESV)*

Many years ago, I worked in a body shop. Body-men are great at fixing damage to sheet metal, but it would surprise you how many of them have little to no knowledge of how electricity works. So, most of the time when there was an electrical problem with a vehicle, it wound up in my stall. The electrical systems have been hard for the average tech but are much harder today. Because steel body vehicles today use a negative ground system, most components use a one wire system. What I mean is that one side of the battery is tied to the vehicle body, and it is acting like one huge wire in a two-wire system, this is really an oversimplification of what can be a very complex electrical system. Consequently, some electrical problems can take hours to track down. Since I have left the industry, the electrical systems have grown even more complex, and many times require the use of computers to track a fault, so only a few body shops have specialists that can do electrical work.

I still do my best to solve my own electrical problems, but sometimes electrical problems can be overwhelming. When I can't figure them out, I sure don't hesitate to ask for help. Life can be that way also.

The most complex computer in our world is the human brain. But Alzheimer slows brain function over a long period of time. I have spent time with friends trying to help them, but I can only offer platitudes. I

helplessly watch as these friends slowly lose the love of their life. Some who are afflicted just go into their own world quietly leaving all their loved ones behind. Others undergo a drastic personality change and they become abusive to the people who love them the most. I spend much time in prayer for the families affected by this slow killer. Not only for the patient but also for the caregivers as they quietly try their best to continue loving their spouse, mother, or father. I wish we could hook Alzheimer patients up to a computer to find the non-functioning part of their brain and bypass it to give them back everything that makes them-them. Medical research continues every day but will not come in time for many. There is hope. Jesus is waiting to restore those who made the right choice about God when they were healthy and He will raise them from the dead, pure, and whole again.

*“So he went down and dipped himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God, and his flesh was restored like the flesh of a little child, and he was clean.” (2 Kings 5:14, ESV)*

Thanks for listening and keep on shining

—Scott