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I am always on the lookout for stories that bring something more to listeners than a clever twist of plot. Something that listeners can take away from the story. Maybe there is a message. Perhaps it gives a hint of direction. There could even be an outright moral. The name one might give to this ephemeral quality is not as important as the fact that the stories I tell actually possess it.

Even when I was growing up, I found myself deeply touched by inspirational stories. Both my mother and my grandfather told similar stories.

Occasionally a teacher would tell a story that meant a great deal to me. I was surprised to find how memorable those stories were. To this day I still remember and follow those messages. Treat others the way you want to be treated. Honesty is the best policy. Take time to smell the flowers. Give back to your community. I am who I am because of those messages.

I find myself using stories I heard long ago when I perform today. The stories are ageless. The messages are as relevant now as they were long ago.

Why seek out inspirational stories? For one thing, we experience a deluge of information and news on a daily basis. Next, we live lives that leave no room for reflection. In the absence of time and reflection, we have precious little available insight to bring to current affairs. This is where inspirational stories serve us well. Inspirational stories give listeners something to chew on. They give us something to consider. Something that points us a bit closer to our "true north." Something that offers a little perspective to life.

Care for some inspiration? You can find inspirational stories and more at www.jaystetzer.com. On the "Listen" page of my website, click any one of the story samples and you are likely to find a message worth your time. Two good examples of inspirational stories are "The Egg Seller" and "Herschel and the Wedding" from my CD World Full of Stories. "Service with a Smile" on my Parking in Manhattan CD offers the listener a great hidden lesson. I find that inspirational stories stick in the memory long after they are told. I am even inspired by the inspirational stories I tell!

We live in a complex, fast moving world. As we head on down the highway of life, we can all use a little direction to guide us. Inspirational stories help keep us on the road. Think of them as your own personal GPS! There's a wealth of inspirational stories available on all of my recordings. Listen for yourself!

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