

If you are the center of your youniverse, it's to small

There have been many songs written about "I" like Toby Keith's "I wanna talk about me."

The chorus goes, "I Wanna talk about me, wanna talk about I, wanna talk about number one oh my me my — what I think, what I like, what I know, what I want, what I see — I like talking about u u u usually, but occasionally I wanna talk about me I wanna talk about me."

Or Alan Parson's song "Let's Talk about me." Some of those lyrics are: "Enough about you baby-let's talk about me. You don't even have a clue lately what I really need. You forgot how to listen. That's what I'm missin'. And I just wanna scream enough about you baby — Let's talk about me, Let's talk about me. Me, Me, Me, Me, Me-Yeah. Enough about you baby."



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What is all this talk about me and I? Well, it is simple really. The more life is about you, the smaller your view on life is.

Here is the point, if the center of your YOUiverse is you, you live in a pretty small universe.

Narcissism is a growing concern in American culture and a new comprehensive study on the subject was released in February. Five psychologists, who are worried about the negative effect self-absorption is having on personal relationships

and society at large, examined the results of over 16,000 college students who took the Narcissistic Personality Inventory between 1982 and 2006.

They noted a steady increase in scores that reflect an unhealthy bent toward narcissistic behavior. Dr. Jean Twenge was the lead author of this study and has written Generation Me: Why Today's Young Americans Are More Confident, Assertive, Entitled — And More Miserable Than Ever.

She noted the "self-esteem movement" of the 1980s has led to over inflated views of self. She said, "We need to stop endlessly repeating

'You're special' and having children repeat that back. Kids are self-centered enough already." She cited an example of a commonly used preschool song where children use the tune of "Frere Jacques" to sing, "I am special, I am special. Look at me."

Dr. Twenge says, "Current technology fuels the increase in narcissism. By its very name, MySpace encourages attention-seeking, as does YouTube." She even noted that volunteerism among young people can be self-serving in that it is needed for college applications and career advancement.

Keith Campbell, co-author of the study, voiced concerns about relational fallout. He said the study asserts that narcissists "are more likely to have romantic relationships that are short-lived, at risk for infidelity,

lack emotional warmth, and to exhibit game-playing, dishonesty, and over controlling and violent behaviors."

Twenge affirmed that narcissists tend to lack empathy, react aggressively to criticism and favor self-promotion instead of helping others. Campbell said "permissiveness seems to be a component" so "a potential antidote would be more authoritative parenting" and "less indulgence."

This report doesn't negate the need for affirmation and encouragement. It simply reveals the prevalence and danger of pride. We live in God's universe, we're His creation, and it's 'HisSpace.' The Center of the YOUiverse, (Gene Appel, Willow Creek Resource, 3/4/7; Beaumont Enterprise, 2/27/7, p.2A)

Let me ask you some, what I hope are soul searching questions. Who do you live for? Why do you do what you do? Who is at the center of your universe? Why do you go to church? Does God have none of you, a part of you, or all of you?

I challenge you to wrestle with those questions, don't just flippantly answer, but what does your life speak! Regardless of how you answered, I want to encourage you to zoom out and refocus on the bigness of God and the redemptive work of Christ.

Enjoy the journey and may you see with new eyes!

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Search looks for living veteran doughboys of World War I

The number of known living American veterans of World War I is down to four, and the Department of Veterans Affairs wants to know if others are still alive.

"These veterans have earned the gratitude and respect of the nation," said Secretary Jim Nicholson. "We are coming to the end of a generation that helped bring the United States to the center of the international arena."

Nicholson said the department usually knows about the identity and

location of veterans only after they come in for benefits. None of the four known surviving World War I veterans has been on the department's rolls.

About 4.7 million men and women served in the U.S. armed forces during World War I. About 53,000 died in combat, with another 204,000 wounded.

The four known surviving vets are John Babcock, 102, from Puget Sound, Wash.; Frank Buckles, 106, Charles Town, W. Va.; Russell Cof-

fey, 108, North Baltimore, Ohio; and Harry Landis, 107, Sun City Center, Fla.

Babcock is an American who served in the Canadian Army. The

other three were in the U.S. Army.

Anyone who knows of a surviving World War I veteran should contact the department. They must have been on active duty between April

6, 1917, and Nov. 11, 1918. The department also is looking for surviving Americans who served in the armed forces of allied nations.

E-mail ww1@va.gov, fax (202)

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23/29 ESPN2 NASCAR Busch Series O'Reilly 300
8/8 NBC Stanley Cup Playoff A conference quarterfinal
2 p.m. 30/27 FXSP College Baseball Nebraska Corn-huskers at Oklahoma Sooners
3 p.m. 22/28 ESPN NTRA Horse Racing Toyota Blue Grass
5 p.m. 25/38 IND MLB Baseball Florida Marlins vs Atlanta Braves
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Sunday
11 a.m. 4/6 ABC NBA Basketball Bulls at Wizards
7/11 CBS Women's Golf Ginn Open
23/29 ESPN2 Women's Tennis 2007 Family Circle Cup: Final
30/27 FXSP AFL Football Colorado Crush at New York Dragons
25/38 IND MLB Baseball Florida Marlins at Atlanta Braves
3/9 NBC Stanley Cup Playoff A conference quarterfinal
60/79 UNIV F'tbol Liga Mexicana Pachuca Tuzos at Toluca Diablos
12:10 p.m. 99/39 WGN MLB Baseball Cincinnati Reds at Chicago Cubs
1 p.m. 7/11 CBS Golf The Heritage
1:30 p.m. 4/6 ABC NBA Basketball Spurs at Mavericks
2 p.m. 8/8 NBC Champ Car Racing World Series

6 p.m. 22/28 ESPN MLB Baseball San Diego Padres vs Los Angeles Dodgers

Monday
5 p.m. 22/28 ESPN MLB Baseball New York Mets vs Philadelphia Phillies
6 p.m. 23/29 ESPN2 AFL Football Philadelphia Soul at Dallas Desperados
6:30 p.m. 30/27 FXSP MLB Baseball San Francisco Giants at Colorado Rockies

Tuesday
11 p.m. 22/28 ESPN Sports-Center

Wednesday
5 p.m. 23/29 ESPN2 MLB Baseball Teams TBA
6 p.m. 22/28 ESPN NBA Basketball Washington Wizards vs Indiana Pacers
6:30 p.m. 30/27 FXSP MLB Baseball Los Angeles Dodgers at Colorado Rockies
8 p.m. 23/29 ESPN2 Wednesday Night Fights Chris Byrd vs Paul Marinaccio

8:30 p.m. 22/28 ESPN NBA Basketball New Orleans/Oklahoma City Hornets vs Los Angeles Clippers

Thursday
5 p.m. 23/29 ESPN2 MLS Soccer New England Revolution at Columbus Crew
5:30 p.m. 25/38 IND MLB Baseball Chicago Cubs vs Atlanta Braves

Friday
5 p.m. 23/29 ESPN2 Friday Night Fights Card TBA
25/38 IND MLB Baseball Atlanta Braves vs New York Mets
7 p.m. 23/29 ESPN2 NASCAR Busch Series Countdown Phoenix, Ariz.
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Worship Service: 10:50 am
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