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### ADVERSITY: Something I know all-to-well

from family and friends to co-worker and the church family. I will never forget how in 2002 adversity is all we got. The Christians reply was: "Christians can't be bikers!" The bikers' reply was: "Bikers can't be Christians!" and here we were, right in the middle.

Over the years here are some important points we learned about adversity: Adversity gets our attention. Adversity reminds us of our weaknesses. Adversity motivates us to cry out to God. Adversity is an assurance of God's fatherly love and care. Adversity motivates us to fear the Lord. Adversity strengthens our hatred of sin. Adversity is a call for self-examination. Adversity exposes pride. Adversity is evidence of spiritual warfare. Adversity is God's method of purifying our faith. Adversity is a reminder to pray for our authorities. Adversity is a signal to reevaluate priorities. Adversity reveals if our work will last. Adversity tests our friendships. Adversity invites us to experience the power of God. Therefore, we thought it was a good idea for this issue's prayer about our little ones to be on "Adversity."



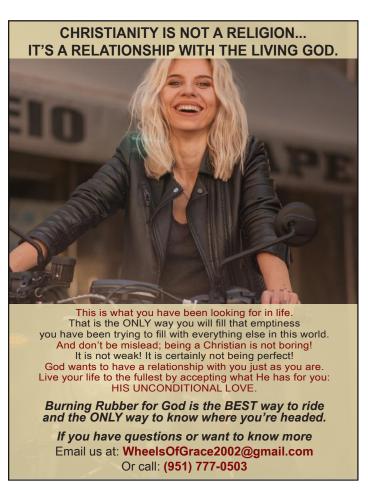
Dear Lord,

I pray that You will give my children the strength to meet the inevitable challenges and hardships of life. When they are discouraged, give them hope. When they are worried, give them faith in the future and faith in You. I pray that my children will treat their disappointment as opportunities to trust You more. You're always with them, Father, and no problem is too big for You. I pray that they focus on Your love and Your protection, now and forever.

Amen.

Keep this prayer and verse with your daily reading, until the next issue when we will have a new prayer for you. 啦

> Burn Rubber Not Your Soul! Peter "Spartan" Kaye









### Lowering Kit on the Rears Shocks 2004 Heritage Classic

Looking to install a lowering kit on the rears shocks and need your advice.

You will need access to a hydraulic press in order to disassemble shocks & install lowering kit. Or remove the shocks yourself & take to a local shop. They should not change you more than 1 hour labor.

### **Lubing Pivot Points**

I would like to know what lube you used for pivot points that's in the spray can and also what type of anti-seize for the spark plugs. Also, what to lubricate clutch cable with please and do I need to adjust clutch pack at every service? Thank you! We use a quality penetrating Lube and Loctite anti-seize. No, it is not necessary to adjust the clutch pack at every service.

Adjust at every major service, or whenever you change your primary fluid and are already in that area.

### No Mileage Reading and Want to Sell Harley

I've got a 1997 Fat Boy. The LED failed on the odometer, and I can't read the mileage on the bike. Is there anyone who can repair this unit or somehow certify the mileage? I'm getting ready to sell the bike and need to know the mileage. What is a good source to go to in order to find a fair market price for a 1997 Fat Boy? Thanks.

You are best off looking at Kelly Blue Book or NADA to determine the motorcycle's current value. Unfortunately, if the odometer reading is no longer displayed, the speedometer is no longer good or repairable. You may be able to order one from Harley-Davidson with the last documentation of mileage. You might be able to use the mileage documented on a registration or service invoice.

#### Mikuni Carb Issue

The carb on my '93 Fatboy is leaking from overflow. What could be the cause? I have a Mikuni carb.

Either your needle valve is stuck in its seat, or the float height is not set correctly. Both the needle and seat can be replaced on your Mikuni.

### New Battery, No Radio

I replaced the battery on my wife's 2010 Street Glide. Now the radio won't come on. Any suggestions would be appreciated. If you have no power to your radio, check for a blown fuse first.

### No Voltage From Charging System

I've got a 1996 FLSTC that's not charging.

**New Stator** 

**New Rotor** 

New Voltage Regulator

5-month-old AGM battery

No matter what, I don't receive voltage from the charging system to the battery. Testing completed. Stator/rotor putting out 22-45 volts at the plug.

Voltage regulator not bleeding power. Produces 13-8 -14.5 volts with the bike running at the circuit breaker wire.

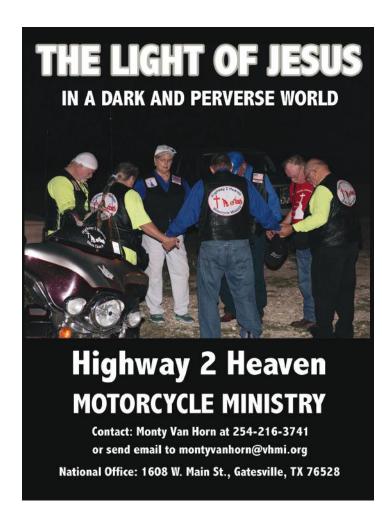
Once I connect it to the circuit breaker, the battery doesn't receive the charging voltage. I've cleaned all grounds and properly tightened them all. It's hard to suspect the circuit breaker when everything else works as it should with the bike running. It's just not charging at all.

Make sure that the regulator is grounded, and that the regulator wire is attached to the main breaker (30 amp). Make sure the main breaker is good. Replace it if it's original. If still nothing, you can run a 16- or 18-gauge wire from the copper post of the main breaker and run it to the starter post (with the positive cable).

### Darkened Exhaust Pipe - Why?

I have installed Cobra three-inch slip-ons, Vance & Hines VO2 naked air breather kit, and the FP3 from Vance & Hines as well. I did this to help enrich the fuel and cool down the engine a little as they are super lean stock. Before doing any of this, I noticed that the pipe from the front cylinder is a little darker than the rear cylinder and has soot in the end. Even with the upgrades, it is still the same. I am concerned that the rear cylinder has an intake leak or something causing the rear cylinder to be leaner than the front. The bike has 11.000 miles. I need this bike to last for many years and just want to make sure I don't have a problem. I do not trust the dealership any longer, as I was told five different answers about where the cat converter is on this model. I don't think they have a clue when it comes to newer engines.

There is nothing unusual with what you describe. It is what it is. If you are not experiencing any problems, why look for one? Don't overthink it. It's an air-cooled motor. The 2014 Softails are excellent, and the performance upgrades you added are great choices. Service that bike regularly and it will last you a good long time. 💆





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Riding a motorcycle can be dangerous, especially when other road users behave carelessly or even recklessly. Motorcyclists lack the protections afforded by passenger vehicles, which leaves them particularly at risk in the event of a collision. In fact, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) has found that motorcyclists are four times more likely to be injured and a shocking 22 times more likely to die in accidents than passenger vehicle occupants. What's more, riders in certain states are at an increased risk of being killed in an accident compared to riders in other states. To determine which states are the most dangerous for motorcycle riders, we divided the number of motorcycles registered in each state by the number of motorcycle accident fatalities that each state experienced in the most recent year of available data. Here are the ten of the most dangerous states for motorcycle riding according to the math:

- 1. Texas: 1 death for every 695 registered motorcycles
- 2. Missouri: 1 death for every 806 registered motorcycles
- 3. Arkansas: 1 death for every 813 registered motorcycles
- 4. Louisiana: 1 death for every 876 registered motorcycles
- 5. South Carolina: 1 death for every 897 registered motorcycles
- 6. Nevada: 1 death for every 955 registered motorcycles
- 7. Arizona: 1 death for every 977 registered motorcycles
- 8. Florida: 1 death for every 984 registered motorcycles
- 9. Mississippi: 1 death for every 1,010 registered motorcycles
- 10. Georgia: 1 death for every 1,048 registered motorcycles

Perhaps unsurprisingly, these states are all located in the nation's "Sun Belt," where a warm climate allows motorcyclists to operate their vehicles year-round.

# TIPS FOR STAYING SAFE ON YOUR BIKE

As a motorcyclist, you can protect yourself by taking the following steps:

- Wear Proper Safety Gear Always wear a Department of Transportation-approved helmet, as they have been shown to be 37% effective in preventing fatal injuries. Use protective clothing, such as a reinforced riding jacket, boots that cover your ankles, and appropriate gloves.
- Stay Visible to Other Drivers Keep your headlights on, even during the day. Don't linger in other vehicles' blind spots and always signal your intentions.
- Ride Defensively Anticipate other driver's behaviors and be prepared to make sudden corrections. Always maintain a safe following distance. Stay calm, even when other drivers are behaving aggressively.
- Follow Traffic Laws Familiarize yourself with your state's driving manual and always adhere to the rules of the road
- Be Cautious in Bad Weather Adjust your driving behaviors to account for poor visibility and loss of traction. Don't ride in inclement weather if you can avoid it.
- Never Ride Under the Influence Drugs and alcohol impair judgment, slow reaction times, and reduce inhibition.
   Almost a third of all fatal motorcycle accidents involve a rider who's been drinking.

Finally, consider taking regular motorcycle safety classes to hone your skills and learn the latest safety tips.

# HURT IN AN ACCIDENT? YOU COULD BE OWED COMPENSATION

Unfortunately, no amount of caution on your part can eliminate the risk of being in a motorcycle accident. If you've been injured in an accident caused by someone else's careless or reckless behavior, that person could owe you money for your medical bills, lost income, property damage, and pain and suffering. Unfortunately, the consequences of a motorcycle accident can be severe, and the other driver's insurance provider will look for ways to avoid paying you fairly. That's why you need a Law Tigers motorcycle accident lawyer to help you fight back and demand the full amount you're owed. Contact the team at Law Tigers today for a free consultation with one of our seasoned legal professionals. We'll tell you how we can assert your rights on your behalf and explain how our free Rider Benefit Kit can help. 嫷



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### DOES GOD KNOW WHAT HE IS DOING?

### BIKERS AGAINST TRAFFICKING

This past week we saw hundreds of thousands of motorcyclists' roar into town for the Daytona Bike Week Motorcycle rally. It officially marks the beginning of the Biker Rally season, and the circuit will wind its way around the country until it finds its way back to Daytona in October for Biketoberfest. In the meantime, we saw motorcyclists from all over the world fly, ride, trailer, or cage to Daytona Beach. Even the actor, Keanu Reeves was out and about riding his motorcycle this week. It becomes quite the kaleidoscope of colors, patches, bikes, characters and vendors. This year found us setting up our tents at various places around the County and as we did so, we got the opportunity to speak to thousands and present them with information about Human Trafficking.

As you can imagine, it is always tough going out into the areas where trafficking occurs but if no one attempts to pierce the darkness, then doesn't the darkness win? Bikers Against Trafficking (BAT) believes that we have to go out into this world to educate, empower, and partner with those who want to get out, and battle the very evil that seeks to suffocate our world. There are times when life is heavy, when there is danger in what we do, but...isn't that why we are all on this planet? Aren't we all called to be the hands and feet of God? It is tempting to only go where it is comfortable, to only seek to make a difference when it is convenient, to obey God only when it makes sense to us or when we can afford it. However, the strange thing about God (I mean let's face it - who really understands God? Is that when He calls us to serve Him, He often neglects to give us the step-by-step guide that we desire. AND we forget that each one of us is called to serve Him.

When Moses was charged to go to Egypt and talk to Pharoah so that God's children in Egypt could be set free from slavery, well, God did not exactly lay out the plan for Moses. He simply said, go! Pharoah will resist and then eventually you will see God's miracles. Moses naively went. However, when he asked Pharoah to let the people go, Pharoah did not react as Moses had anticipated. Instead, Pharoah got angry, and things looked bleak and then Moses got into the face of God and yelled, "Do you know what you are doing?"

Of course, nothing surprises God, but it is always a surprise for you and me.

Moses led the people out and for 40 years he had to battle against those times when God didn't seem to be making any sense.

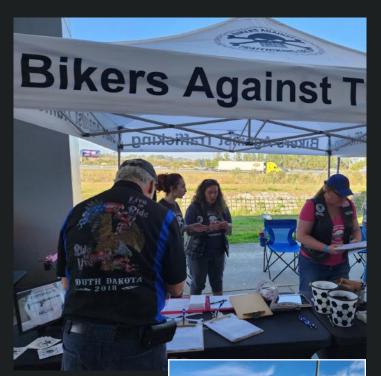
Eventually, the leadership of Moses passed to Joshua and God moved. The Jordan river opened, the giant city of Jericho had its walls collapse and God did miracle and after miracle. But all it took was for the people of Ai to kill around 36 Israelites and Joshua got into the face of God, "Do you know what you are doing?"

Of course, nothing surprises God, but it is always a surprise for you and me.

Of course, God did, and God does...but when you are in the midst of following the path of God for your life... at times... the path seems faint, the way seems strange and our expectations... well... they just don't go the way we think it should.



As Bikers Against Trafficking nears its tenth anniversary, the path before it seems more muddier than ever. It seems as though the United States is making great inroads into human trafficking. There are posters and signs in many places, movies have come out that depict what is going on and the legislature is creating policies to now regulate places that seek to work with Human Trafficking "survivors." I am sure that this regulating was meant for good, but it is having the opposite effect. Religious groups, men and women with hearts for God and hearts to make a difference have now been told that they can only work with Human Trafficking "survivors" and provide housing IF the State certifies you to do so. The result? Less places for those who have been trafficked to go. As I see the regulations around us, the statistics that say Human Trafficking is multiplying at an insane rate, when I see legislature not getting at the root and so many getting away with trafficking children, women and men...I find myself looking up into the heavens and screaming out, "God, do you know what you are doing?"



As we worked in and around Daytona, we saw so many being trafficked and those who could do something, simply turning their heads and looking away. We have become a nation that only seeks comfort, relaxation, our own sense of pleasure and the people around us... burn. But we often don't care.

I say this not because I want to be mean. Rather, so many are planning their lives based on what they want to do. They want to just go through the motions, get away, relax, enjoy the riches of their labors... while others rot in captivity, are forced to be sold in sex acts day and after, and people are beaten

and murdered... in every city in America. Somehow, we have forgotten that we are on this planet to be agents of change for God. That is it, it was never about our own comfort. It was always about fighting for God and allowing God to fight through us.

BAT will never surrender and as we continue to push into the dark, we ask for your continued prayers and support. We have no idea about the future, but we know God knows the future and His will, will prevail... even when they don't make any sense to us. As BAT seeks to grow into more States and Countries, we are grateful for all those who have



stood by us. We have no idea how we are going to afford to do what we believe God is calling us to do but... but... but... we believe in faith that there are those that God is tasking to pray for us, to send funds to help support us and there are those who God is inviting to join with us.

Thank you for your prayers, partnerships and giving. If you would like to donate, please click on the link and donate via our website www.BikersAgaintsTrafficking.org.

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JOURNEY SONGWRITER JONATHAN CAIN, THE MAN BEHIND THE HIT SONG "DON'T STOP BELIEVIN'," DISCUSSED HOW TWO NEAR-DEATH EXPERIENCES INFLUENCED HIS CHRISTIAN FAITH. IN A VIDEO POSTED TO YOUTUBE BY THE CHRISTIAN NONPROFIT I AM SECOND, THE NOW 75-YEAR-OLD ARTIST DISCUSSED HIS FAITH STORY, INCLUDING HOW HIS FATHER WAS A DEVOUT CHRISTIAN.

"I would go to church with him and watch him pray. And he would pray so fervently, and the tears would come down his cheeks. And I wanted that so badly, and I said, 'Can I go with you to Jesus?' And he said, 'You have to get your own walk with Jesus. Get your own relationship, Jon,'" Cain recounted.

As he moved forward in the early stages of his relationship with Jesus, Cain talked about two near-death experiences he had as a child. The first was when Cain nearly drowned on a family trip in Arkansas after he stepped into a large hole in the bottom of a lake. While struggling to survive, the songwriter recalled a hand pulling him out of the water, and he was given mouth-to-mouth resuscitation.

"I said to my parents, 'I nearly died, and it was only because of God, I'm here,'" said Cain. "It was also a wake-up call that God was preparing me to face life. You know, like this is not going to be easy."

The second near-death experience came in 1958 when the Catholic school he was attending burned to the ground, killing over 90 kids and three nuns.

"There was a terrible fire that broke out. ... I was in third grade. And I watched 92 children die right next to the house of God and three nuns. And I felt just so lost," Cain recounted.

Despite being grateful for making it out untouched by the flames, Cain said that following the incident, for the first time in his life, he experienced a glimpse of doubt.

"I wondered what happened that day. ... [There] was a big question [in my mind], 'Did Jesus abandon us that day? What happened?'" he said.

Witnessing his son wrestling with faith prompted Cain's father to take action. The artist shared how his father encouraged him to pursue music, the outlet that would take him full circle back to Jesus.

"[My father] led me straight to music. He said ... 'Son, you were saved for something greater and that must be music.' He got me straight to music school. And music seemed to be a redemption for me. I was able to set myself free," Cain said.

"My father, he always said, every time I had something great happen ... 'This is just a steppingstone to something greater, child.' [And I would ask], 'What do you mean Dad, [by] just a steppingstone?' My dad wasn't impressed. He said, 'This isn't it. There's something else coming,'" Cain said.

Never forgetting his father's remarks, Cain joined the famous rock band Journey in 1973, serving in various roles, including writer, keyboardist, and vocalist. Before joining Journey, Cain went through a difficult stage where he contemplated giving up music. He shared how, early on, he struggled to pay his bills as he pursued his dream.

"I had to call [my father] and I hated asking him for money. But,

I said, 'Dad, I just wonder, should I give up on this music dream and come home to Chicago and forget about it?'" Cain recounted. "And there was silence for a minute. And then [my father] said: 'John. this is your vision. No. You're not coming home. Stay the course. DON'T STOP BELIEVING."



Following his discussion, Cain said he put pen to paper, immediately writing what his father had told him in a small lyric book. The words later became the basis for the 1981 hit song, "Don't Stop Believin'.'"

"It wasn't until five years later, [Journey lead singer] Steve Perry looked at me and said, 'You got another song?' And I said, 'Well, let me look in my book.' And sure enough, there's what Dad had said," Cain said.

"I wrote a melody to have 'a city boy and a small-town girl on a midnight train going anywhere.' I came in the next day, and it was history. I believe that is what got us into the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame. ... Thank you, Dad."

When his father died years later, Cain recalled hearing the voice of God as he was weeping at a piano and realized that he should have been thanking God for his music.

"I didn't think I would be able to carry on. I always wrote for him. ... I said, 'Everything I did, every note I played, I can trace back to my father.' And then, God, His voice came to me. ... 'No, John, it has been Me. It's Me, John. It's always been Me through him. But I am the source. I am where it comes from," Cain said.

"And I went, 'Oh man. How did I miss that? ... So, You were the Guy in the room when I wrote 'Faithfully.' 'I'm forever yours, Lord, faithfully,'" said Cain, citing the lyrics to another notable song of his.

While most known for his secular music, in 2016, Cain released a Christian album, What God Wants to Hear, with songs that focused on his faith journey.

"God has provided true musical and spiritual restoration," said Cain in an interview with The Christian Post at the time.

"Journey will continue to tour and I hope the Lord will inspire me to continue to make new music again with this iconic band of rock and roll. For now, I remain His humble servant and continue to serve Him in my new ministry."

# OUR STRENGTH AND OUR STANDARD

"For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh. For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds, casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ"

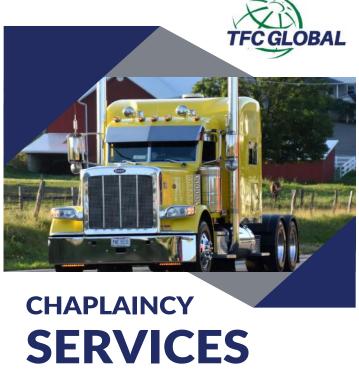
2 Corinthians 10:3-5, NKJV

Although we are in the flesh while on this earth, God's Word reminds us that we are not to war or to operate within our fleshly nature for the things of God and the provisions of this life; while it is true, God expects us to use our physical strength, but only after being yielded to Him and being led by His Spirit. Our strength and weapons as soldiers of Christ are to be obtained through God. The most excellent access we have to God's things comes from prayer and faith in Him. Interestingly, prayer is the most talked about among Christians and probably the least done. We are to lay hold of God's provisions.

In verse 5, God reminds us that

everything should be judged against His Word. We should judge all our thoughts and actions against God's Word. When our thoughts and actions do not align with His Word, we are to bring them into captivity to the obedience of Christ. Anything or anyone that would exalt itself above what God would say and against His knowledge should not be heeded. The direction for our lives, wisdom, and thoughts should always align with God's Word. Our standard must always be God's Word. 啦





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# RIDE CHECKLIST AND SAFETY CHECK



Motorcycle riding isn't always as simple as starting the engine and hitting the road. There are certain responsibilities that demand attention when it comes to motorcycle maintenance and preparedness. Making sure you've got all the right areas covered will not only ensure a safe, worry-free cruise for you, but it will keep others safe as well. Here's a handy guide to help you ride with peace of mind.

### 1. FLUID LEVELS

Regularly check oil, transmission, primary, and brake fluids to ensure they are fresh and at proper levels. Proper fluid levels not only contribute to the smooth operation of your motorcycle but also enhance overall safety during your ride.

### 2. BATTERY HEALTH

Verify your battery's voltage; a well-maintained battery is key for a trouble-free start. Whether you use a battery maintainer or store it in a warm area on a trickle charger, ensuring adequate voltage guarantees a reliable ignition and avoids the frustration of a non-starting motorcycle.

### 3. BRAKE SYSTEM

Ensure brakes not only feel firm but also check pad thickness regularly for both front and rear brakes. A firm pedal and optimal pad thickness are critical for responsive braking, ensuring your ability to stop safely in various riding conditions.

### 4. FILTER MAINTENANCE

Keep air and oil filters fresh to optimize motorcycle performance. Regular filter maintenance not only improves fuel efficiency but also extends the life of your engine, contributing to the longevity of your motorcycle.

### 5. PASSENGER PREPAREDNESS

If riding with a passenger, bring adequate clothing for changing weather conditions. Ensuring your passenger is comfortable and well-prepared for temperature changes enhances the overall riding experience and avoids the need to cut short a ride due to discomfort.

### 6. OPERATIONAL COMPONENTS

Ensure all components, from simple floorboards to complex spoked wheels, are in optimal condition. Thoroughly checking all operational components guarantees a smooth and safe ride, preventing unexpected issues that could arise from overlooked details.

### 7. TIRE PRESSURE

Monitor tire pressures diligently to extend tire life and enhance safety. Proper tire pressures not only contribute to fuel efficiency but also provide better traction, stability, and control, crucial elements for a safe and enjoyable ride.

### 8. FASTENERS AND CONTROLS

Check all fasteners, handlebars, mirrors, and handlebar controls for tightness and functionality. Secure fasteners and properly functioning controls are vital for rider safety and overall control of the motorcycle, reducing the risk of accidents due to loose components.

### 9. LIGHTING

Inspect all lighting components, including high and low beams, turn signals, and brake lights, for proper operation. Functional lighting ensures visibility on the road, making you more noticeable to other motorists and enhancing overall safety during your ride.

### 10. SEAT SECURITY AND COMFORT

Confirm the seat is securely attached and comfortable for both rider and passenger. A secure and comfortable seat not only contributes to an enjoyable ride but also minimizes distractions and discomfort, promoting focus and safety on the road.

Remember, your motorcycle's upkeep is your responsibility. Incorporate this pre-ride checklist into your routine to ensure a safe, comfortable, and enjoyable ride every time you hit the road. Before you ride, check your ride.





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Hollywood Dave: What if I feel okay after an accident but I hurt later on?

**Rob the Shark:** It is extremely important to communicate your injuries to your attorney and to your doctor. The last thing you want to do is settle a case and find out the damages for that specific injury were not included. That's why it is so important to work with the right doctors that can identify any future medical care you may need. So, that being said if it is included prior to the settlement, you will get compensated if something comes up. It is very important to communicate every single injury, whatever is on your mind with both your attorney and your doctor. You have any questions give us a call. We are here for you. We will take you through the process and make sure your settlement is secured.

### Hollywood Dave: If I'm in an accident and feel okay, should I get checked out anyway?

**Rob the Shark:** David from my experience as a motorcycle injury attorney, sometimes people do not feel some of the pain right after the accident due to their adrenaline. Give it a couple days, see how you feel. Pain can sneak up on you really quick and when it does, you want to make sure you see a doctor – and the right doctor - right away. The longer you stand by, the worse the injuries are going to become, and insurance companies love when you don't get checked out. Because they'll say that you failed to seek medical attention in a timely matter. That it is your own fault, and they are not going to pay for all the injuries. Your credibility becomes an issue. So, even if it is a slight pain, get it checked out. Have that peace of mind. If you have any questions, give us a call. We will be more than happy to take you through it and explain everything from A-Z.

### Hollywood Dave: Is it critical to call Shark Law right away?

**Rob the Shark:** Absolutely Dave! The reason being is the insurance companies are always trying to put themselves ahead. They have their investigators. They are taking witness statements, and we always want to beat them to it. We are pretty fast, but we need your help. So, when you're in an accident, give us a call right away. We will get our investigators out to the scene to start taking witness statements. That allows us to shape your case from the get-go. We will get out there and be as aggressive as needed to secure your case. Without securing that initial phase of the case, the case begins to fall behind. So, the quicker you call us the quicker we can go to work for you.



Hollywood Dave: What if I'm in an accident and I don't have insurance?

Rob the Shark: It happens... obviously you should have insurance. If you don't have insurance and you are in a motorcycle accident and you want to present a claim, you are limited by law. You fall under what the law calls a proposition 213. You cannot get your pain and suffering and emotional distress compensation; what we call noneconomic damages. However, we will always help you. Whether you have insurance or not. You can still recover economic damages. Such as damages to your motorcycles, your medical bills, your hospital bills. We are here to help you. We are riders and we will do everything in our power to help you.

### Hollywood Dave: Rob, there are a lot of personal injury attorneys, what makes a motorcycle attorney any better?

Rob the Shark: When an accident occurs to a rider and I read the police report, I step into their shoes. I know exactly what they are going through. I get on their bike mentally and go through the accident. Lane splitting for example. If you don't ride a motorcycle, how will you understand what is happening when you split lanes? How will you understand the instincts of the rider? Making those split-second decisions; only a rider can understand that. And that's where a motorcycle attorney that actually rides every day, that rides to the courthouse with his suit in the saddlebag, that will come to you, will come to the hospital, to your work or to your home. That's what we do! We ride therefore we understand and have the advantage at Shark Law.  $\P$ 

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For 2025, all R 18 models gain 4 ft-lb in torque at 3,000 rpm (up to 120 lb-ft). Over 110 lb-ft. of torque is available between 2,000 - 4,000 rpm for riding enjoyment. Power from the 1,802-cc air/oil cooled boxer twin remains at 91 hp.

### **BMW R 18: MORE MODERN** STYLING

As the purist cruiser of the R 18 family, the revised BMW R 18 now has a more contemporary and dynamic appearance thanks to newly designed front and rear fenders along with an 18-inch rear wheel (previously 16-inch). The wheels are also optionally available in a Contrast Cut design. The cast aluminum wheels are given a glossy polish and then sealed with clear finish. The familiar 19-inch / 16-inch spoked wheels are still available as part of the Option 719 Olivine package.



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In the optional Style Blacked Out variant, the BMW R 18 and R 18 Classic look particularly elegant and expressive with a range of equipment finished in Black High Gloss and Dark Chrome.

### BMW R 18 CLASSIC: MORE CLASSIC, MORE AUTHENTIC

The BMW R 18 Classic, likewise, benefits from a refined design to further hone its character as a nostalgic touring bike. The most striking new feature is the front fender, adopted from the R 18 B, in conjunction with a new 19-inch spoke front wheel (previously 16-inches). The front fender now incorporates a mudguard extension, which has been significantly lowered for a more stylish effect. The new fender not only harmonizes with the fork covers, still available for the R 18 Classic, but also underlines its connection to the nostalgic touring segment. Together with newly designed side covers and round rear exhaust pipes, the R 18 Classic now has an even more classic and authentic appearance. Another new feature is the USB-C charging socket.





### BMW R 18 ROCTANE, R 18 B AND R 18 TRANSCONTINENTAL

The BMW R 18 Roctane had its market launch in mid-2023, so its design already includes features such as the cast aluminum wheels and the Blacked Out optional equipment. Nonetheless, the R 18 Roctane, the R 18 B and the R 18 Transcontinental have now received updates in terms of equipment, paints and finishes.

### OPTIONAL EQUIPMENT FOR THE BMW R 18 AND R 18 CLASSIC

- Comfort package with Cruise Control (BMW R 18 only), heated grips, Hill Start Control and lockable fuel filler cap.
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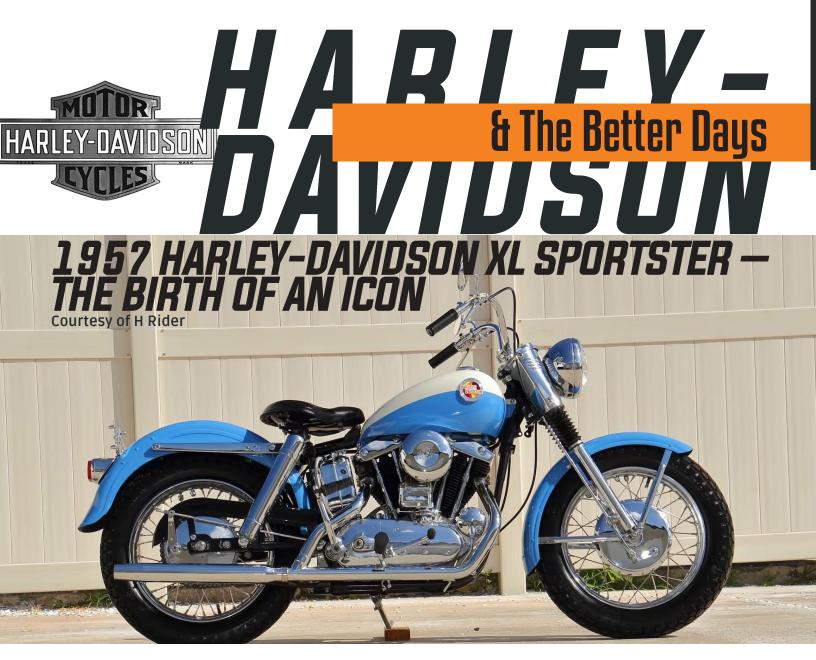
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The 1957 Harley-Davidson XL Sportster marks a pivotal moment in the history of Harley-Davidson and the American motorcycle scene, as it represents the first year for the iconic Sportster model. Introduced as a high-performance, lightweight alternative to Harley-Davidson's larger cruiser models, the 1957 XL Sportster quickly became one of the most beloved bikes in the Harley lineup.

This particular example has undergone a comprehensive restoration completed by Route 65 Harley-Davidson in Indianola, Iowa. It was previously on display at Route 65 Harley-Davidson, a testament to its preservation and historical value. The bike proudly features its original Skyline Blue exterior with the distinctive Birch White tank panels, a combination that highlights the classic aesthetic of the late 1950s and enhances its timeless appeal.

At the heart of the 1957 Harley-Davidson XL Sportster is a 55 CI (900cc) OHV V-Twin engine, air-cooled for optimal performance in various conditions. Mated to a 4-speed manual gearbox, this bike provides a smooth and responsive riding experience, with

the reliable power delivery that Harley-Davidson is known for. The chain drive ensures a direct connection between the engine and the wheels, further enhancing the motorcycle's performance.

The Linkert carburetor provides steady fuel delivery, while the expanding drum brakes and spoke wheels offer a vintage riding experience that resonates with classic motorcycle enthusiasts. The sprung seat adds to the comfort of the ride, making this bike suitable for long-distance cruising or spirited city rides.

As the first year of the Sportster model, the 1957 XL Sportster helped lay the foundation for a nameplate that would go on to define Harley-Davidson's performance-oriented offerings for decades. This example, fully restored to its original glory, is a beautiful representation of a motorcycle that has left an indelible mark on the world of American motorcycles. With its combination of vintage styling, engineering excellence, and the undeniable charm of Harley-Davidson craftsmanship, the 1957 XL Sportster remains an iconic piece of Harley history.

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