

SUMMER PARENTING CREED

I believe that summers are
designed for fun in the sun.
That spotless floors
are only a temporary blessing.
That full refrigerators should be emptied well.

I believe that those well loved
will laugh contagiously.
That happy loud voices are ok in open spaces
and small spaces on occasion.

I believe that swimming is meant to be often.
That popsicles are best when dripped lavishly.
That cotton candy at the ball park
is the reason we go.

I believe that the best conversations
with my children
Often occur around bonfires
And roasted marshmallows taste best
when you have to blow them out first.

(Not really,
but someone has to eat the burnt ones.)

I believe that there are times
when dirt must be ignored
Because the opportunity
of making memories often includes
making messes.

I believe that while summers should contain
a certain amount of laziness
Our devotion to God and His Word should not.
And thankfully, God never takes vacations.