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- 1 Behaving in a hesitant, indecisive or dithering manner when commencing a task (6, 3, 5)
- 13 Exist in large numbers or amounts; teem
- 14 Flamboyant, high energy music genre
- 15 Scottish exclamation
- 17 Timeless, Bon-era ACDC classic (“Lock up your daughter / Lock up your wife / Lock up your back door / And run for your life / Coz I’m ... oi, oi, oi etc.”)
- 18 Shy Australian singer (*Titanium* etc.)
- 19 Moon of Jupiter discovered by Galileo named after maiden in Greek myth ravished by Zeus
- 20 Bodhisattva embodying compassion of all the Buddhas (often depicted with multiple arms) said to emanate as Dalai Lama
- 24 Beautiful green river in Rome
- 25 Snapshot, informal photo (colloquial)
- 26 Evil Superman (initials)
- 27 Coastal city in northern Israel with beautiful Baha’i temple ethnically cleansed of Arab population (which fled in fear) in 1948
- 29 Minor baroque master from Bologna known for work tending to chocolate box insipidity
- 31 Harrowing, autographical masterwork of Bobcat Goldthwaite called the *Citizen Kane* of alcoholic clown movies (6, 3, 5)
- 35 Prefix meaning thrice (centenary, tiary)
- 36 In an alluring and sensual manner
- 37 Giant king of Bashan slaughtered by Moses
- 38 Prepared, finished, available to be picked up
- 39 Kienholz, Wood, Sullivan, Mister
- 40 Euphemism coined by Norman Mailer in 1940s to satisfy censors yet retain flavor of locker room speech characteristic of military
- 42 Choose
- 43 Simon Templar or Shirley Temper (initials)
- 44 American tribal love-rock musical
- 47 Proponent of ending slavery in 19th century America
- 52 *Eight Elvises* or Eazy-E (initials)
- 54 Under the influence of dangerous psychedelic in 60s (2, 4)
- 55 Land where everyone is crazy
- 56 Film production company of Mel Gibson known for harrowing megahits *The Passion of the Christ* and *Hacksaw Ridge*

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- 58 Prolific creator of turgid crossword puzzles (first name)
 - 59 Greatly loved Indian guru known for not speaking for 41 years (first name)
 - 60 Ethereal enchantress in legend of King Arthur and popular subject of Victorian art (6, 2, 3)
 - 61 Seminal US punk band with Jello Biafra and Klaus Fluoride (*Too Drunk to F****) (initials)
- Down**
- 1 Deadly German naval vessel responsible for sinking *Lusitania* in 1915 (anglicized) (1-4)
 - 2 Enormously long Sanskrit epic of Ancient India (ten times as long as *Iliad* and *Odyssey* combined FYI)
 - 3 Initials shared by authors of seminal texts *The Seventh Seal* and *In-A-Gadda-Da-Vida*
 - 4 The state of being famous or well known for some bad quality or deed like Joe Biden
 - 5 Any unpleasantly sticky substance
 - 6 Having a natural distaste or aversion
 - 7 Neil Diamond or Norma Desmond (initials)
 - 8 English writer of dark, bitter, satiric novels (*Dead Babies*) (called by one critic “the new unpleasantness”) known for brooding dust jacket photos, Islamophobic sentiments and famous curmudgeon writer father (*Lucky Jim*)
 - 9 Tragic character in especially lurid Tennessee Williams play (Shirley Knight in 1962 movie with Paul Newman as dissolute, drifter gigolo, Chance Wayne resigned, in chilling finale, to terrible fate awaiting in St. Cloud, Florida) (8, 6)

- 32 Character in *David Copperfield* synonymous with obsequiousness, sycophancy and cloying oleaginousness
- 33 Three-sided, open box mounted on a pole used by bricklayers (for carrying bricks)
- 34 Viral infection requiring bedrest, fluids and time off work (no longer in use)
- 41 Hittite soldier sent to certain death in battle by King David out of lust for wife Bathsheba (in ripping Bible story)
- 43 “Worthy is the lamb that was ...” *Messiah*
- 44 Secreted, disguised, concealed
- 45 Adults only (initials)
- 46 Industrialist magnate, playboy, inventor genius Avengers leader (with loyal secretary and sometime love interest “Pepper” Potts)
- 48 Ingest cannabis using a hookah-like filtration device in sustained session with other stoners (4, 2) (48 down, 49 down)
- 49 See 48 down
- 50 Prong on implement such as a fork or trident
- 51 *Rosebud* in dramatic revelation of mystery in *Citizen Kane*
- 53 Greatly loved Bolognese semiotics professor and author (*Il nome della rosa* etc.)
- 57 Oral Roberts (initials)
- 59 Marcus Aurelius or Mac attack (initials)

