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A few years ago I saw a news report about a South African Airliner crashing into the ocean just before a refueling stop. It is certainly always saddening to hear of such tragedies, but there was something else surrounding this accident that made it even more sad.

The pilot was on his last flight before retirement. There was a reception waiting for him to offer their congratulations. Instead, they had to offer their condolences.

As sad as this incident is, how much more sad to see someone who plans to take care of their salvation before they depart this life, then they meet death quicker than expected. No matter what our plans may be, they are subject to change. Plan and prepare for that which is certain— eternity. Always remember the words of James 4:14, “*Whereas ye know not what shall be on the morrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away.*”

—Marty Edwards❖

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A farmer was having trouble with crows in his A corn, so he decided to end the problem. Carrying a shotgun, the farmer walked through the cornfield until a large bunch of crows flew up in front of him. Without paying attention to the individual birds, the farmer fired both barrels into the whole bunch. He immediately went to examine the fallen birds. Not only had two crows been killed, but the family parrot was among the fallen birds.



Upon telling his children the fate of their pet, they asked what had killed it. The farmer’s reply was simply, “bad company.” The farmer had no intention of killing the parrot, but the parrot was with the wrong crowd, and it cost the bird its life.

How often have you heard on the news that someone was killed in a shooting when someone else was the intended target? How many times has one been killed in an automobile accident because of choosing to ride with friends who had been drinking, but they themselves were not?

Running with the wrong crowd can cost us our physical life, and it certainly costs us spiritually. We cannot help but be influenced by those we choose as friends. Even if we totally refuse to engage in their activities, our reputations suffer.

Paul wrote in I Thessalonians 5:22, “*Abstain from all appearance of evil.*” Paul also in I Corinthians 15:33 said, “*Be not deceived: evil communications corrupt good manners.*” That is the way it is worded in the King James Version. The American Standard Version states, “*Be not deceived: Evil companionships corrupt good morals.*”

These passages are not suggesting that we should refuse to have anything to do with those of the world. We must and should in order to influence them toward Christianity. We simply need to be careful about whom we choose as our close friends. They will influence our entire lives, and ultimately our eternal destiny.

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News

—Hallie Davidson is in the Hart County Health Care Center in Horse Cave. Continue to remember **Jean Coffee, Sally Marshall, Jewell Watkins, Jimmy Terry.**

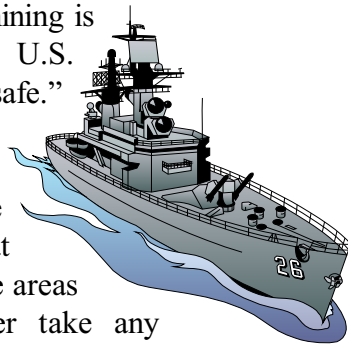
—Congratulations of Tony Terry who was promoted last week to major in the Kentucky State Police. He will be over the forensics labs for all of Kentucky.

—Thanks to **Mitch and Sandy Duncan** for hosting the chili supper last night.

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During the Gulf War I remember seeing a news account of a ship hitting a mine just outside the Persian Gulf. The odd thing about this mining is that it occurred in waters that the U.S. Government had deemed “100% safe.” Obviously it was not.

How often do we consider a particular sin “100% safe,” in that we think we would never commit that particular sin. It’s true that we all have areas in which we are strong, but never take any temptation lightly. Each temptation has the potential to cause us to lose our souls.



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“Wherefore let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall.” —I Corinthians 10:12

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Sunday, October 11, 2009		
Classes	14	Matthew 7:7-14
Preaching	24	Acts 8 (Ethiopian Eunuch)
Contribution	\$406.00	
Evening	19	Ezekiel 1:1-28
Wednesday, October 24, 2009		
Classes	21	Exodus 35:1-35

Visitors— Oct 11 (AM) Alec Devore (Hardyville)
Oct 14 (Wed) Cara Forsythe (Munfordville); John Doyle (Glasgow, KY)

Bible Quiz

The noise of the wings Ezekiel heard was like what?

Last Week’s Answer— It shone (Exodus 34:29)

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—God’s Plan of Salvation—

1. Hear the Gospel (Romans 10:14)
2. Believe on the Lord and His Word (Mark 16:16; John 8:24)
3. Repent of your sins (Luke 13:3,5; Acts 17:30)
4. Confess Christ (Matthew 10:32,33; Luke 12:8; Romans 10:9)
5. Be baptized (immersed in water) for the remission of sins (Acts 2:38; Mark 16:16; Galatians 3:27; I Peter 3:21)
6. Live a faithful, dedicated life (Revelation 2:10; II Peter 1:5-10)