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## Did I Miss Anything?

When we have to step away from a ball game, movie, or some other live event, we'll ask those sitting with us when we return, "Did I miss anything?" It's natural when at these events to not want to miss anything and one doesn't want to leave the live event if at all possible while it's on going.

Do you ever wonder, or ask yourself when you miss services, "Did I miss anything?" Most people probably don't think about what they missed when they were not at services. Consider some of the following you might have missed while away.

**1. You missed a lesson.** Some lessons, and certain more obscure passages of the Bible, might not be discussed again for months or possibly even years especially with the chapter by chapter studies we usually do in our Bible classes. Maybe there was a verse that would have strengthened you or that you never thought about, but because you were not there, the lessons you could have gleaned were to never be obtained.

When I was younger I used to "save" what I felt were better or

special lessons until more were in attendance or until most were there. I learned with time there is no better time to deliver them than now. To "save" them until later is to do a disservice to those who are in attendance. No matter how many, or who is in attendance, the ones in attendance deserve the best I can offer at that moment.

**2. You missed seeing someone.** We are not at services to socialize, but, to worship the LORD, yet, during services is the only time most of us see each other during the week. What if it was the last opportunity you were able to visit with someone and you were not there. What if they just wanted to give words of appreciation and love to you, and you were not there to receive them. What if just a simple encouraging word from you would have made a major difference to them, but, you were not there to say those words.

Have you noticed how we stay around after services? We enjoy visiting, catching up and just talking with one another. As mentioned before, this is the only time many of us get to see one another. We are a spiritual family and do enjoy our time together. After all, we do plan on living eternally with one another.

**3. You missed all the acts of worship.** If you missed attending on the Lord's day, then you missed remembering the Lord's death with the communion. You missed laying by in store of your funds as was commanded the Corinthians. You missed hearing the prayers and praying along. You missed teaching and admonishing in song, and in turn being taught and admonished in song. You missed us all together studying the same passages.

**4. You missed our visitors.** We often, especially being so close to the Interstate, have visitors. Most of the random visitors will never pass this way again. You missed the opportunity to meet and greet them and let them meet and greet some of our members here. Many of our visitors I have found out have some connection to someone I know elsewhere. I wouldn't have wanted to miss out on knowing that or other things I have learned from our visitors.

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# News

—Continue to remember **Sally Marshall, Jewell Watkins, Jean Coffey, Alice Thrasher, Steve Seaton, and Shirley Parson. Breanna Riffle** has had pneumonia. **Sandy Duncan** remains off work with knee problems.

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After the LORD's resurrection on the first day of the week, Thomas was not there and did not make the gathering until the next LORD's day. Just stop and consider how much he missed by not being at that one service. There is certainly the chance he would have never been label "doubting" if he had been there a week earlier and had seen Jesus fresh from the tomb.

We too miss the LORD in our presence spiritually when we miss services. And, when we miss a service, it's one that can never be made up. We only have about 52 Lord's Days per year, and when one is missed, it's gone, and the things we missed most likely will never be regained.

The Psalmist wrote in Psalm 122:1, "*I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the LORD.*" Are we truly glad to come together? Do we look forward to and eagerly anticipate the services. The older I get the more I enjoy our services. It's not only a time of worship, but a time that we "step out" of the world and the people and activities around us that are so foreign to what the Bible teaches. It's a time of escape from the world and the evil therein. It's a time of quietness and solitude and peaceful worship.

Did you miss anything? More than you know.

Marty Edwards❖

Sunday, April 5, 2015		
Classes	16	I Corinthians 2:11-3:8
Preaching	29	I Kings 19:1-18; John 6:66
Contribution	\$523.00	
Evening	16	Singing
Wednesday, April 8, 2015		
Classes	22	II Kings 15:1-38

Apr 5 (AM) Lauren Edwards (Elizabethtown, KY);  
 Anthony Candella (Elizabethtown, KY)  
 Visitors— David, Denessa, Makayla, & Wade  
 Worth (Elizabethtown, KY); Cody  
 Napper (Elizabethtown, KY)

## Bible Quiz

The LORD told Elijah he had how many left in Israel?

Last Week's Answer— Chariots (Psalm 68:17)

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—There are quite a few flyers from area congregations posted on the bulletin board with news of area events. The monthly bank statement is posted there as well each month.

### —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)