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I have determined never to bathe again. Since some of you may find my decision a bit strange, perhaps I had better explain my reasons for arriving at it.

1. My parents always made me bathe as a child. Day after day, week after week, year after year. They *insisted* I bathe. They said when I got older I could decide for myself whether or not to bathe. Well, I'm older and I've decided to never bathe again.
2. People who bathe are all hypocrites. They seem to think they are cleaner than everyone else. They smell fresh, dress in fresh clothes, comb their hair. It's just a show.
3. There are so many different kinds of soap. I simply can't choose the right one. If there was only one brand of soap, and everyone used it, life would be much simpler. How can I be expected to make such a difficult choice?
4. Bathing got boring. I was just doing it too often. Perhaps I'll limit my bathing to special occasions. Maybe it'd become more meaningful if I bathed only on special occasions.

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5. None of my friends bathe. I don't want to stand out and appear different. If they don't wash themselves and keep themselves clean, why should I do so?
6. I'm still pretty young, so it's not hurting me not to bathe. Perhaps when I get older and need it more I'll begin to bathe.
7. I'm just so busy these days with my work, my family, and my personal life. It seems I never have any free time. I just can't find any spare time during the day or week to bathe. When my children are grown, and when I retire, I might be able to squeeze it in.
8. The people who make soap are only interested in making money. Why should I bathe regularly to support their greed?
9. I don't like the guy down at the local store who sells the soap. The last time I went in there to buy some he didn't even smile at me or welcome me into his store— nor did any of the customers.

As you can plainly see, I have every justification for not bathing. I just felt I owed it to you to explain the logic behind my decision.

—adapted from Al Maxey
Honolulu, HI

[editor's note— Obviously, no one would probably offer the above reasons for not bathing, but the very same logic is often used when people choose not to attend worship services. When such reasoning is used, one is looking to rationalize and justify the fact that they simply do not want to attend services. —Marty]

News

—Continue to remember **Jean Coffey, Sally Marshall, Jewell Watkins, Jimmy Terry, Audrey Terry, Vicki McDaniel and Alroy & Lois McDaniel.**

—If you need extra copies of the bulletin to mail or hand to others, there are usually some left over and I can print extra.



The Middle of the Bible

Did you know that . . .

- Psalm 118 is the middle of the entire Bible?
- Psalm 117, before Psalm 118, is the shortest chapter in the Bible?
- Psalm 119, right after Psalm 118, is the longest chapter in the Bible?
- The Bible has 594 chapters before Psalm 118 and 594 chapters after Psalm 118?
- If you add up all the chapters except Psalm 118, you get a total of 1188 chapters?
- “**1188**” or “Psalm **118:8**” is the middle verse of the entire Bible?



Consider the message of this central verse of the Bible, Psalm 118:8, “*It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in man.*” Let’s make this thought central to our lives. ❖

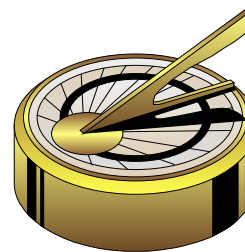
Sunday, August 21, 2011		
Classes	15	Luke 9:1-17
Preaching	22	Ezekiel 8:1-18
Contribution	\$359.00	
Evening	17	Amos 2:1-16
Wednesday, August 24, 2011		
Classes	18	Numbers 30:1-16

Visitors— Aug 21 (AM) Steve & Wanda Hunt (Rowletts, KY);
Brent Goad (Glasgow, KY)

Bible Quiz

Israel panted after what on the head of the poor?

Last Week’s Answer— 1st day of the 7th month (Numbers 29:1)



Hide not your talents. They for use were made.
What’s a sundial in the shade?

—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)