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I AM

This past Monday, January 9, marked the 10th anniversary of the iPhone unveiling and announcement. If you are at all familiar with cellular phones and portable computing devices, then you no doubt have heard of the iPhone. Most members here have an iPhone or probably have family members who do.



The iPhone is a very popular cell phone made by Apple that is also a portable computer, music player, camera, and many other devices. One can read the Bible on the iPhone and do basically anything you can do on a full-sized computer.

Apple has named a host of their computer products using the “i” naming pattern. There is not only the iPhone, but the iPad, iPod, iPod Touch, iMac, iMessage instant messaging. There is also iCloud where one stores their data on Apple’s servers, iTunes from where you download music and send it to your other “i” devices, and iMovie to make and edit movies. There are probably many others iHave not named, and there will be others to come.

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The use of “i” preceding terms is so popular with Apple and users of their products that many technology writers have started referring to the young generation today as the “i” generation because of the proliferation of the use of these products.

Apple is not the first to use “i.” The first use of “i” was one that, unfortunately, many users of Apple’s “i” products are unfamiliar with and may never be. In Exodus 3:14 the LORD told Moses when inquiring who the LORD was, answered, “I AM that I AM.” The LORD thousands of years ago said, “I AM.”

You may own many of Apple’s “i” products but make sure the great “I AM” is first and foremost in your life. Your “i” products will wax old and decay, but the great “I AM” is from everlasting to everlasting. Psalm 90:2, *“Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever thou hadst formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting, thou art God.”*

—Marty Edwards ❖

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Psalm 102:2, *“Hide not thy face from me in the day when I am in trouble; incline thine ear unto me: in the day when I call answer me speedily.”*

The Psalmist asked the LORD not to hide His face from him when in trouble. He wanted the LORD to be there close to hear when called unto. The LORD is always near us, but in Isaiah 59:2 we are told what causes the LORD to hide his face from us. *“But your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid his face from you, that he will not hear.”*

The first part of Habakkuk 1:13 says, *“Thou art of purer eyes than to behold evil, and canst not look on iniquity:”* No wonder our sins hide His face from us. His pure eyes cannot behold evil and He cannot look upon iniquity.

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News

—Continue to remember **Sally Marshall, Jewell Watkins, Jean Coffey, Alice Thrasher, Steve Seaton, and Brad Terry. Lillian Riffle** had been quite sick with an infection but was able to be back with us this past Wednesday evening.

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In Ezekiel 8:9-10 when looking in the hole in the wall, Ezekiel was told to behold all the abominations the people were doing. When he looked, he saw every form of creeping things and abominable beasts. The LORD was showing Ezekiel their sins represented by these abominable beasts.

Have you ever looked under a rock and seen multi-legged insects, spiders, and other beasts that you can't even stand to look upon? I sometimes wonder if the LORD created such just to show us how He cannot stand to behold evil. Just as we quickly turn away from such creeping and crawling creatures, the LORD turns away from our sins.

If we want the LORD not to hide His face from us, then we need to live our lives in such a way that He is not beholding sins when He looks at us. That does not mean we live perfect lives, for we cannot. We are forgiven when we repent. The LORD cannot look upon us when we are living in sin, and not trying to do right.

What does the LORD see when he looks at us? I know the LORD doesn't want to turn away from us, but if we are living in sin we give Him no choice.

—Marty Edwards❖

Sunday, January 8, 2017		
Classes	22	Philippians 1:12-19
Preaching	24	I Kings 13
Contribution	\$798.75	
Evening	24	Proverbs 25:1-28
Wednesday, January 11, 2017		
Classes	19	Esther 7:1-10

Visitors—
Jan 8 (AM) Avery, Audrey & Tucker Franklin
(Lexington, KY)
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Bible Quiz

What wind drives away rain?

Last Week's Answer— Read from the book
of the chronicles (Esther 6:1)

—Try to always attend, but if you cannot don't forget you can listen to our services live on TuneIn Radio, YouTube, and our FaceBook group.

—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)