

During this time of year, collegiate basketball teams are vying for the title of National Champion. Last Thursday there were sixty-eight teams with hopes of becoming the national champion. After a few days, sixty-four teams shall have been



eliminated, and the final four will remain. By the final night of the tournament, one team will remain to claim the title. Only one can win the title, and with each game played, one more team has its hopes dashed. Although being eliminated from the tournament can be quite disappointing, the school will have another opportunity for the title the following year.

If we are "eliminated" from Heaven by delaying our obedience until it's too late, there will be no "next year." There will be nothing to anticipate but an eternity of suffering, separation from saved loved ones, and never seeing the face of God.

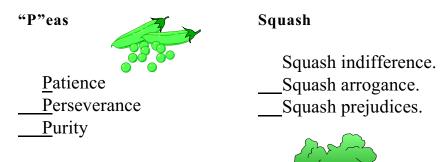
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Sunday 9 AM & 4 PM — Wednesday 6 PM

## Your Spiritual Garden

Spring begins today, and many are preparing for their gardens. Consider "planting" the following spiritual "garden." Plant rows of :



### Turnip

"Turn up" for all the worship services.

"Turn up" when work needs to be done.

"Turn up" your fervor for the work of the Lord.

### Lettuce— A "row" of lettuce from "Ro"mans

- 13:12, "The night is far spent, the day is at hand: *let us* therefore cast off the works of darkness, and *let us* put on the armour of light."
- 13:13, "*Let us* walk honestly, as in the day; not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantonness, not in strife and envying."
- 14:13, "*Let us* not therefore judge one another any more: but judge this rather, that no man put a stumbling block or an occasion to fall in his brother's way."
- 14:19, "*Let us* therefore follow after the things which make for peace, and things wherewith one may edify another."

-Marty Edwards \*



-Continue to remember Jean Coffey, Sally Marshall, Jewell Watkins, Jimmy Terry, Vicki McDaniel and Alroy McDaniel.

—Just a reminder that our Sunday evening services have returned to 6:00 p.m. for the duration of Daylight Saving Time.

—This morning after services the entire congregation will be going to Pizza Hut for lunch. We hope everyone can join us.

—Thanks to all for the surprise birthday party given to me following last Wednesday evening services. Your thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated. —Ruby

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### A Fishy Invitation

Give me a herring while I exhort you a little about attending our services. Please use your big mouth to let everyone know. Don't clam up! Perch on

some doorstep and keep inviting people. If a woman shows the slightest inclination to come, **snapper** up at once. Work on the men too, because most **minnow** that they should also attend. We can always use the extra **bass** singers. If those you ask act **crabby** or **catty** and say they are **eel** or have a **haddock**, just give them a couple of aspirin and tell them to come on! We have plenty of room for everyone. We won't be packed in like **sardines**. So stop **floundering** around. Invite someone. It will be good for their **sole**!

—adapted by Marty Edwards from the Bellview Beacon, Pensacola, FL

Sunday, March 13, 2011		
Classes	18	Mark 11:19-12:27
Preaching	24	Matthew 14 (Jesus calming the sea)
Contribution	\$403.00	
Evening	14	Daniel 8:1-27
Wednesday, March 16, 2011		
Classes	23	Numbers 9:1-23

Visitors—

Mar 13 (AM) Lurline Mires (Rex, KY); Ethan Borton (Nashville, TN)

# Bible Quiz

Gabriel caused Daniel to do what?

Last Week's Answer—Fifty (Numbers 8:25)

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Unlike a crown given in a sporting event, the crown of righteousness is offered to all who properly obey the Lord. Paul wrote in II Timothy 4:8, "Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing." Whether you are awarded this crown or not is your choice.

### —Marty Edwards �

### -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)

