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## Breaking News

It's not uncommon for people to receive breaking news alerts on their cell phones. I have my phone set up to receive breaking news and I am quickly notified of any major events unfolding in our nation or throughout the world.

I generally would consider breaking news such events as major earthquakes, hurricanes making landfall, a plane crash, etc. I have noted that news agencies are beginning to include more "regular" events such as a slight change in unemployment, etc, as breaking news. Whether these are truly "breaking news" or not is very subjective but on Monday afternoon of this past week I received a breaking news alert from CNN. I naturally read it to see what major event was unfolding in the world.

When I opened the email, the breaking news was that now the majority of people support same-gender marriage. I truly doubt the validity of this knowing that the sampling was probably quite

small and not one person to whom I've spoken was asked, and possibly the survey was even taken in areas where the survey would be skewed to pick people more likely to be favoring this. I also find it interesting that this "news" was released the evening before the Supreme Court was to hear the next morning arguments regarding such marriages. One cannot help but feel that such reporting is constructed in order to sway people's thinking.

The day after the supreme court hearing, there was much talk how the grass roots people were really backing and demanding support for such marriages. The Bible, as we all well know, plainly lets us know that marriage is between a man and a woman. The news even referred to marriage between a man and woman as "tradition." It is not a tradition, but, a God-given institution that is the first and oldest.

Don't let anyone confuse the issue. To be against the sin is not the same as being against the person. It has nothing to do with equality. Equality is already given. To be against overt sin is not to be against equality or against the person. We speak the truth in love (Ephesians 4:15) and attempt to save one's soul.

The Bible has not changed and will not— ever. The words therein will judge us at the last day. (John 12:48) Jesus said in John 10:35, ". . . *the scripture cannot be broken.*"

The only way such news that most support same-gender marriage is breaking news is that it breaks my heart to see such open acceptance of overt anti-Bible thoughts being openly displayed in our society. Breaking news? No. But, it ought to break our hearts.

—Marty Edwards❖

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Sunday 9 AM & 6 PM — Wednesday 6 PM

# News

—Continue to remember **Sally Marshall, Jewell Watkins. Jean Coffey** had cataract surgery last week and can see much better now and hopes to be back with us at services soon. **Vicki McDaniel** is still having issues with memory loss and blacking out.

—Our sympathies are extended to the family of **Tessa Casteel** who passed away on March 23 with cancer. She was an eighth grader in Barren County and a former student of Ruby's. She attended the Poplar Log Church of Christ where I was the minister before coming to Munfordville. Funeral services were this past Thursday in Glasgow.

—This coming week is Spring break in the area. Keep those who are traveling in prayer and thought. Ruby and I will be leaving in the morning to go to her parents in Arkansas. We plan on returning Friday.

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Living on the farm we have no shortage of cats that come and go throughout the years. We put out food and water and they keep the mice and moles away but only one or two have ever let us get close enough to them to even pet them.

From time to time, one will show up injured. This past week one had a back leg injured and was limping. I could tell he was uncomfortable and I could see an open wound. Being one of the ones that never let's us get close, I could not check it or doctor the injury.

I couldn't help but think how this cat, which is hardly passed being a kitten had no idea how much I could offer him— things he could not imagine— medicines, veterinary care, other food, etc. He partakes of the food and water we put out, but, there is so much more if he would only let me get close.

I know it is the same with the LORD. People live at arm's length from the LORD. They never let Him get close. They have

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Sunday, March 24, 2013		
Classes	23	John 19:15-27
Preaching	33	Isaiah 6:1-13
Contribution	\$633.00	
Evening	20	Nehemiah 10:1-39
Wednesday, March 27, 2013		
Classes	24	Judges 17:1-13

Visitors—  
 Mar 24 (AM) Madison Gaddie (Munfordville);  
 Anthony Candella (Cave City, KY)  
 Mar 24 (PM) George Stinson (Munfordville)  
 Mar 24 (Wed) George Stinson (Munfordville)

## Bible Quiz

Every man did what when there was no king in Israel?  
 Last Week's Answer— A Nazarite (Judges 16:17)

the regular blessings of the LORD, for it rains on the just and unjust. But, I know the LORD must think of how much more He could give us, things beyond our imagining, if we would only let Him get close to us. Ephesians 4:20, "*Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us.*" Note that what the LORD can do is in relation to the power that works in us. Do not let yourself limit what the LORD can do for you. Isaiah 59:2, "*...your sins have hid his face from you.*"

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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)