



Life Lines

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Continued from last week:

WHY DO WE SAY THAT?

The interesting origins of everyday expressions . . .

Take it with a grain of salt: Like much of our language, this phrase is Latin in origin; it's translated literally from proverb *cum grano salis*. Many believe it references a recipe for an antidote to poison that included salt, a naturally occurring dietary element essential for life, as an ingredient. So, to be safe, you should never accept an offering from someone without a grain of salt – or a healthy dose of skepticism.

Mad as a hatter: These days, we expect nervous breakdowns from celebrities, but oddly enough the cliché once applied specifically to hat makers. Mercury was once used to treat felt, so a disproportionate number of milliners, who worked for years on end with poisonous substance, ended up in mental institutions with neurological damage. The expression became even more widespread after author Lewis Carroll used it as inspiration for a character in *Alice in Wonderland*.

Raining cats and dogs: Unfortunately, the story behind this popular expression is far from warm and fuzzy. Back in the 17th-century England, poorly designed gutter systems sometimes caused stray dogs and cats to drown during major downpours. After a storm, it wasn't uncommon to see dead animals in the

streets, which Evins says, "Led some people to conclude they had actually come from the sky," like the rain.

Having a screw loose: Like the computer, the invention of the cotton gin in 1793 changed modern life – but not without a few bugs. Early on, cotton gins were notorious for breaking down, usually because one of the screws holding the machine together came loose. So that phrase came to mean something wasn't quite right – and a more contemporary version, "screwy" has evolved even since. "We don't inherit our language, it inherits us," says Dann Pierce, a professor at the University of Portland (Ore.). "It's here long after we're gone and we just get to play with it for a while."

Caught red-handed: Several hilarious but incorrect explanations exist for this expression, from references to thief-detering dye bags in bundles of money to an outrageous legend about lower classes being forbidden to eat pistachios. "The intellect is our means of making sense of things," Doyle says, "If we can't discover sense, we will fabricate it." In truth, "caught red-handed" refers to criminals who were apprehended while they literally still had the blood of their victims on their hands.

By Katie Dodd of Nashville, Tenn.

Prayers & Sympathy for the family and friends of **Cleon Johnson** who passed away, Tuesday, October 28, 2008, Fayetteville, AR. (Paul Helton's Mother).

My Cup Has Overflowed

I've never made a fortune,
And it's probably too late now.
And as I go along life's way,
I'm reaping better than I sowed.
I'm drinking from my saucer,
'cause my cup has overflowed.

Haven't got a lot of riches,
And sometimes the going's
rough –
But I've got loving ones all
around me,
And that makes me rich enough.
I thank God for His blessings,
And the mercies He's bestowed.
I'm drinking from my saucer,
'cause my cup has overflowed.

I remember times when things
went wrong,
My faith wore somewhat thin.
So, Lord, help me not gripe about
tough rows I've hoed.
I'm drinking from my saucer,
'cause my cup has overflowed.

If God gives me strength and
courage when the way grows
steep and rough,
I'll not ask for other blessings;
I'm already blessed enough.
And may I never be too busy to
help others bear their loads.
Then I'll keep drinking from my
saucer,
'cause my cup has overflowed.

"Blessings are upon the head of the just." (Proverbs 10:6)

From House to House/Heart to Heart
Jacksonville, Alabama

Lines for Ladies

By Pat McAlister

“Command those who are rich in this present age not to be haughty, nor to trust in uncertain riches but in the living God, who gives us richly all things to enjoy. Let them do good, that they may be rich in good works, ready to give, willing to share.” (1 Timothy 6:17-18 NKJV)

Paul was giving Timothy some instructions concerning the rich. He had just written about the love of money being the root of all kinds of evil. This love of money had even caused some to stray from the faith. (Verse 10)

In the latter part of this chapter, Paul gives instructions to the rich. There can be hope for the rich. They can't be haughty, nor trust in their uncertain riches. Their trust must be in the living God.

Paul tells Timothy to instruct the rich to do good, so they can be rich in good works. They must be ready to give and willing to share of their riches, whatever they be.

There is lots of good, worthy work to be done by the rich. There are needy children, hospitals, cancer research and many other good causes that need help. There are many works of the church that needs financial support. Jesus said it was hard for the rich to enter heaven. He did not say that it was impossible though. Many good people become better off because of this goodness and the blessings God has given them.

Would the Lord give the same command to those who are moderately well-off? Would He give the same command to those who are middle-class? We in America are so very blessed. We are rich compared to many others. We must share what we have. We can't conclude that we are not rich so this command does not apply to us.

The love of money can cause us to fall into temptations. If we desire to be rich, and concentrate on this, we can fall into a snare, just as any rich person. The snare is how we let it affect our lives. It should not be so important that we forget good works. Having riches can be a good thing, if we use it as God has com-manded.

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Remember Our Sick

Amie Barkley – allergic reaction to an antibiotic, affected her eyesight.

Mel Davis – surgery November 5th.

Hoyt Ensey – In St Mary's, pneumonia & heart congestion.

Joyce Helton – colon surgery scheduled October 29th, UAMS, Little Rock.

Betty Ann Johnson – Baptist Hosp., ICU.

Iris Lawley – having some tests run.

Helen Moore – Kevin Nordin's grandmother, in rehab, St. Mary's, starting Chemo soon.

Gary Nicholson – Shirlye Chadwick's son, test results much better.

Rodney Pfeifer – Chemo treatments.

Colton Williams – ankle-cast, Oct., 23rd.

Patsy Wisbrock – home recovering.

Shut-ins - need prayers and visits:

Dover Area: **Evelyn Burton**
Robert Lee

Russellville Nursing & Rehab Center:
Evelyn Driver

Stella Manor: **Louise Killer**
Mae Vanzandt

Others Who Need Our Prayers:

Yvonne Adkisson, Amie Barkley, Bob/Carolyn Bennett, Bill Boley, Lloyd Boley, Lois Boley, Susie Boley, Karen Buck, Tommy Causey, Eugene Cox, Troy/Rachel Curtis, Jeff Davis, Pauline Dale, Barbara Dawson, Charles Ensey/Sarah Ensey, Mark Franke, Carol Graham, Sue Griffin, Joanna & Jim Gerst, Pat Holloway, Ruby Gene Johnson, Dorothy King, Robert Paul Leavell, Rose Lee, Linda Melton, Julie Moss, Don Sheeran, Reddie Smith, Tanya Smith, Juanita Townsend and Judy Will.

Special Children: Zeke Church, Garrett Hogan, Tiffany Knight, Elysia Lee, Keith Martin and Noah Williams.

Our Military: Cole Wetzal, D. J. Bandy (has completed his Air Force training and is now a Tower Traffic Controller) and Travis Coe.

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Paul goes on to tell the rich that are generous that they are storing up for themselves a good foundation for the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life. (Verse 19) This is the reward we should all want!

Stash Your Cash

According to finance columnist Liz Weston, these tips for saving money may sound like gimmicks, but they work!

Pad your accounts. Enter a check to yourself for \$100, \$500 or more in your personal finance software or checkbook. The hidden money provides a cushion to prevent overdrafts.

Cull your bills. Pick a denomination – ones, fives or even ten-dollar bills – and whenever you find an extra one – toss it into a jar.

Institute a family tax. Have each family member deposit \$1 a day in a piggy bank. By the end of the year you'll have enough money to buy your Christmas presents – with cash!

Save your reimbursements. Weeks can pass before your employer pays you back for travel expenses. Instead of spending the check, deposit the money into a savings account.

Realize your rebates. Most grocery stores print your savings from rebates and coupons on the receipt. Transfer the amount to a savings account, or toss the corresponding cash into an envelope or jar.

Save raises. Earmark part of the extra cash for your retirement contributions or savings.

From 10 Easy Ways to Stash Away Thousands.

“There is treasure to be desired and oil in the dwelling of the wise; but a foolish man spendeth it up.” (Proverbs 21:20)

Events

Dover Church of Christ Children's Church

Every Sunday
11:15 - 12:00 Noon

Ages 4 thru 8
Bible Story and
Activities
Ages 1 thru 3
Nursery Class

Dover's Lawn Mowing Schedule

Saturday, November 15th
Chris Besterfeldt
Mike Creel

Area Wide Youth Devo 3rd Sunday, November 16th, 5:30 PM

Dover Church of Christ
Dover, Arkansas

Dover Ladies Night
Thursday,
November 20th, 7PM
Hostess: Roxanna Shoptaw

Mark Your Calendars

Dover Men's Devo
Thursday,
November 13th, 7PM
Host: Allen Veasman

2008 - 2009

Lads to Leaders
Leaderettes

Overall Theme:
". . . *All that You command
us we will do,
and wherever You send
us we will go.*"
(Joshua 1:16)

Lads to Leaders
and Leaderettes

Will meet/: First & Third
Sundays, 4PM

Boys: GUARD (Guys
Understanding Authority and
Real Discipleship

Girls: GIFTS (Girls In
Fellowship and Team Study

Please Note: Dover Church
of Christ Wednesday
Evening Services has been
changed to start at 6:30 PM

November Birthdays

06 Roxanna Shoptaw
07 Charlene Clark
09 Kim Walters
10 Andy Jackson
Diane Shinn
14 Daniel Loper
15 Adam Pointer
Brent Hottinger
Chris Loper
Michael Williams
18 Clara Hefley
Kevin Miller
19 Marion Helton
20 Carla Oakes
29 Taylor Thomas

If we missed your birthday, *please*
let us know so it won't happen
again.

Lads to Leaders/Leaderettes

Planning Meeting

Sunday, November 9th,
After Morning Services.

This meeting is for all of
those who want to help and
for all of those who plan to
attend the event
in the Spring of 2009.

Bring your own lunch.

THOSE TO SERVE

November 09, 2008

Sunday A.M.

Announcer: Randall Walters
Song Leader: Merrell Shoptaw

Prayers

Jim Killer
Joe Miller

Communion

Podium: Sid Womack
Serve: Allen Veasman
Blake Walters
Brent Hottinger
Brett Walters

Scripture Reading

Donny Forehand

**Sunday P.M.
Prayers**

Gary Williams
James Chadwick

SPEAKER

Sunday A.M.
Micah Williams

Sunday P.M.
Micah Williams

Prepare Table for Communion

Steve and Suzy Pennington

Communion to Shut-Ins

William Boley

Greeters

The Elders

**Wednesday Night
Devotional
November 12, 2008**

Earl Whitted

Meeting Times

Sunday Morning Bible Classes
9:45 A.M.
Sunday Morning Worship
10:45 A.M.
Sunday Evening Worship
6:00 P.M.
Ladies Tuesday Bible Class
10:00 A.M.
Wednesday Bible Classes
6:30 P.M.

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Jim Killer 331-2802
Allen Veasman 331-2156
Sid Womack 967-2367

Deacons:

Chris Besterfeldt
Donny Forehand
Brent Hottinger
Chris Loper
Rex McDaniel
Chris Moss

Nursery Attendants:

Sunday Class: JoAnn Killer
Sunday Church: Pat McAlister
Kaeli Miller

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