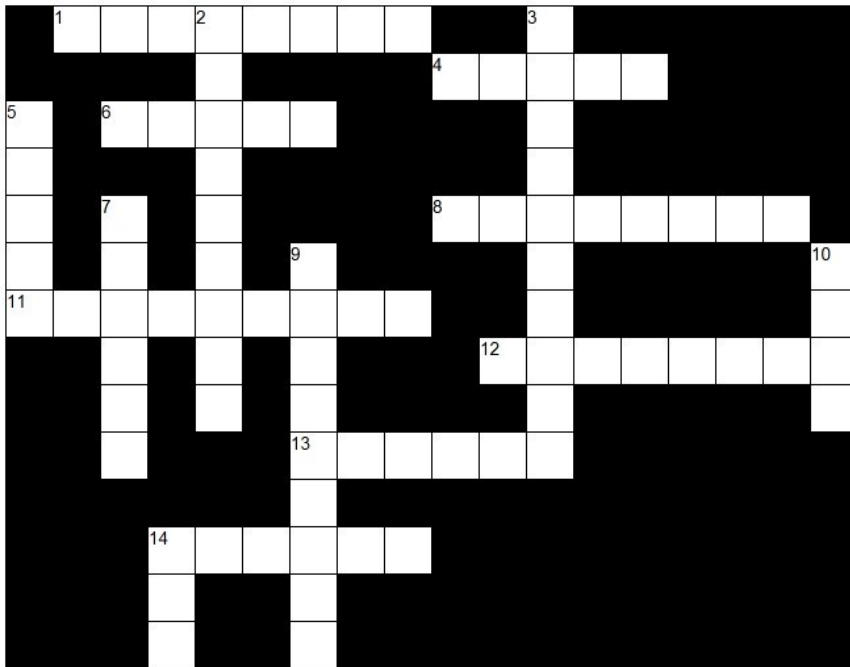


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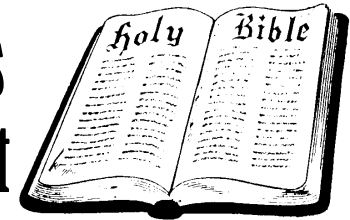


Across: 1. The murderer released instead of Jesus. 4. Lord's Supper emblem representing Christ's body. 6. He would deny Jesus three times before the rooster crowed. 8. Jewish feast at which Jesus instituted the Lord's Supper. 11. What the apostles were supposed to make of all nations. 12. High priest to whom Jesus was taken for trial. 13. Roman governor who tried Jesus. 14. The home of Simon who carried Jesus' cross.

Down: 2. Jesus said that all this, in heaven and earth, was given to Him. 3. Garden where Jesus prayed and was arrested. 5. Jesus said that all who take this will perish by it. 7. Rich man from Arimathea who provided Jesus a tomb. 9. Charge the Jews leveled against Jesus. 10. Judas betrayed Jesus with one. 14. Lord's Supper emblem representing Christ's blood.

—All answers can be found in Matthew 26b-28, NKJV.

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“IT IS EASY TO START MISSIN”

Ward Hogland of Booneville, MS

I was doing a little personal work down in the “lone star” state of Texas when I ran upon a sheep who had strayed from the fold. He had been grazing on sneeze weed and running with goats so long that he had almost lost his identity. I said “Brother I haven’t seen you in a month of Sundays.” He replied, “Broder Hogland it is so easy to start missin.” Well, this straying sheep told the truth! Why is it so easy to start missing? Here are a few reasons.

1. It is easy because it pleases the old devil. He works hard to keep us from attending the services of the Lord.
2. It is easy to start missing because it is convenient. It takes some time to get ready and go to church on Sunday morning, Sunday night and Wednesday night.
3. It is easy because there are other things we like to do. Selfishness kicks in and we do what we desire rather than what God commands.
4. It is easy because “attendance” is not high on the priority list. We had rather go visit aunt Mary and uncle John or play golf!
5. It is easy to miss because it is sinful and we enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season (Heb.11:25; 10:25).

The Law of the Garbage Truck

One day I hopped in a taxi, and we took off for the airport. We were driving in the right lane when suddenly a black car jumped out of a parking space right in front of us. My taxi driver slammed on his brakes, skidded, and missed the other car by just inches!

The driver of the other car whipped his head around and started yelling at us. My taxi driver just smiled and waved at the guy. And I mean, he was really friendly.

So I asked, 'Why did you just do that? This guy almost ruined your car and sent us to the hospital!'

This is when my taxi driver taught me what I now call, 'The Law of the Garbage Truck.' He explained that many people are like garbage trucks. They run around full of garbage, full of frustration, full of anger, and full of disappointment. As their garbage piles up, they need a place to dump it and sometimes they'll dump it on you.

Don't take it personally. Just smile, wave, wish them well, and move on. Don't take their garbage and spread it to other people at work, at home, or on the streets.

The bottom line is that successful people do not let garbage trucks take over their day. Life's too short to wake up in the morning with regrets, so...

Love the people who treat you right. Pray for the ones who don't.

Life is ten percent what you make it and ninety percent how you take it! Have a blessed, garbage-free day!

—Author unknown (thanks to Vicki for the forward)

Is It Later Than You Think?

Someone has prepared a very interesting time table. He made a mathematical parallel of a life span with 24 hours. Study it carefully, it will cause you to seriously reflect on your life, causing you to see what you have accomplished or left unaccomplished so far.

If you are 15 years old it's 8:15 a.m.

If you are 20 years old it's 11:08 a.m.

If you are 25 years old it's 12:25 p.m.

If you are 30 years old it's 1:25 p.m.

If you are 35 years old it's 2:59 p.m.

If you are 40 years old it's 4:16 p.m.

If you are 45 years old it's 5:43 p.m.

If you are 50 years old it's 6:50 p.m.

If you are 55 years old it's 8:08 p.m.

If you are 60 years old it's 10:11 p.m.

If you are 70 years old it's approaching midnight. When the bell tolls for you at the midnight hour of death, on which side of God's judgment seat will you stand? It is later than you think!

- Marshall Patton

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Area Meetings

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Sewell Hall, Jordan Park, November 2-7

Kenny Moorner, Westview, November 2 -5

David Bonner, Pepper Road, December 5-7