Have You Thought About It

by Linville Dunaway, Corinth Christian Church

If you haven't thought about it, you should. I'm referring to the coming of the Lord. He told us to not let our hearts become like those of the sinners, too occupied with the things of this world to watch for him. "And take heed to yourselves, lest at any time your hearts be overcharged with surfeiting, and drunkenness, and cares of this life, and so that day come *upon you unawares,*" **Luke 21:34**. Remember, if we truly are his people, we are to be as pilgrims passing through this that this life is all there is, working to make life good here and letting our spiritual lives go neglected.

that is all we want to give to God then we would be like those in Malachi who gave a blind, or lame, lamb for an offering. Giving those who do this really looking for the coming of the Lord? God the scraps of our service and time is not giving God our best. Cain gave an offering, but it was not accepted by the Lord know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come. For a person wants to give, it has to be the best and given in faith. Can the church be watching for the Lord's com-

over serving the Lord. In some cases the older people are not able to come, especially at night. Health problems and to the knowledge of the truth," **2 Tim 3:1-7**. This is not something that will happen at some future

Then there is the falling away in keeping the teachings world. Instead we are often found to be as those who think of the Lord. I have often quoted the words of Jesus in Luke place, and seen 2 or 3 people at a table on their phones? Don't think that because we give an hour on Sunday churches and ministers have softened the word of God. I tening to God's word, worshiping the Lord? No, as with morning that we are doing some great sacrifice for the Lord. If have read, and heard, some so-called "Preachers", say that their family, or friends, they are there in body, but their

ing when church attendance is falling away? Many people incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good, Traitors, don't come as faithfully as their parents did in the past. heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of Now I know that there are exceptions to this, but in gen- *God; Having a form of godliness, but denying the power there*eral it is true from what I, and other ministers, have seen. of: from such turn away. For of this sort are they which creep The same holds true for the young folks. Some take it seri- into houses, and lead captive silly women laden with sins, led ously but most have other interests that take preference away with divers lusts, Ever learning, and never able to come

not being able to see at night make it hard for them to come. time, but is now in our day. We have witnessed this for some time Young people in good physical health don't show up as often. now and it getworse as time goes by. Technology doesn't bring Why? The Lord knows why we all do the things that we do. most people closer together, or closer to God, it divides them.

Haven't you been in some restaurant, or other public 6:46 in sermons, "And why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not Together physically, but far apart in their minds. Even in the things which I say?" To make some people happy some church some -times people text others, or play games. Listhe bible was wrong and dismissed what God has said. Are hearts are somewhere else. Can't people give God some time and worship without thinking of this world? Isn't Next, look at the world and what is going on in it. "This that why some fuss if the sermon goes a few minutes longer than usual? They can't wait to get back to the things for it was just an offering. God will not take just anything that men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, that bring them pleasure. For where your treasure is, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unthere will your heart be also. Luke 12:34 Jesus is coming holy, Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, back just as he said he would, are we watching and ready?

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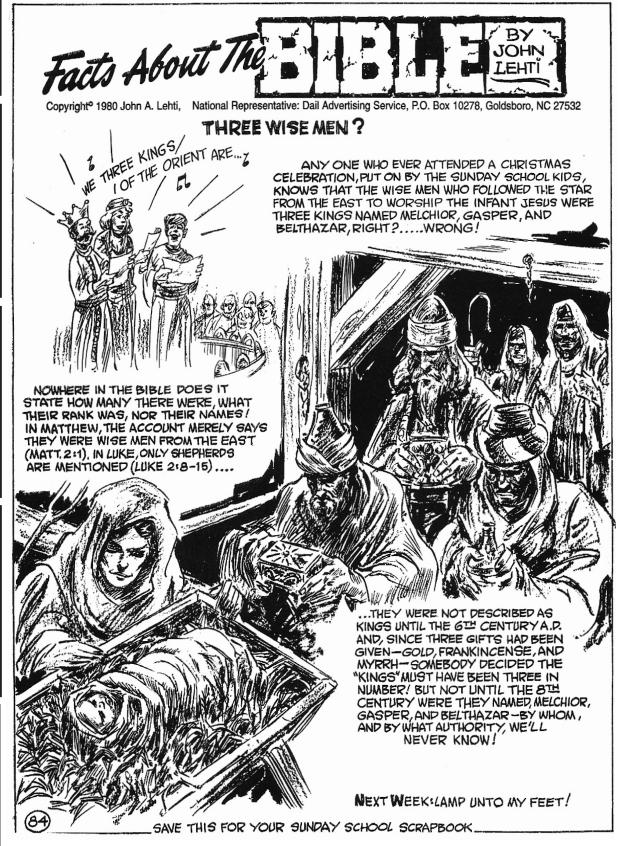
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