

# A Bit Of Common Sense, Please!

By Mike Riley

French writer, historian, and philosopher, François-Marie Arouet, (pen name, Voltaire) once stated, “Common sense is not so common” — and his assessment was exactly right! In a society that has grown increasingly lawsuit-conscious, we are inundated with warnings on various products, mostly because many folks just lack simple common sense.

The following are some examples:

On a hair dryer: “Do not use while sleeping.”

On a Rowenta iron: “Do not iron clothes on the body.”

On a chainsaw: “Do not attempt to stop the chain with your hand.”

On a cup of coffee: “Hot beverages are hot!”

On a butcher knife: “Please keep out of children.”

Common sense can be learned from experience (the hard way) or the teaching we receive from those we trust. But God’s Word is the best source of all to develop discernment and good judgment.

Three words echo throughout the book of Proverbs: wisdom, knowledge, and understanding. God has packed this book with a plethora of common sense.

Note that:

Proverbs 11:12 advises restraint: “A man of understanding holds his peace.”

Proverbs 17:27 warns: “He who has knowledge spares his words, and a man of understanding is of a calm spirit.”

Proverbs 20:13 is practical: “Do not love sleep, lest you come to poverty.”

To increase our common sense, spiritually speaking, let us consult the inspired Word of God daily (Acts 17:11) — the only source of true wisdom (Proverbs 2:6).

Let us be found using a bit of common sense, please!



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Sunday Morning Bible Classes - 9:30 AM  
Sunday Morning Worship - 10:30 AM  
Sunday Evening Worship - 5:00 PM  
Wednesday Evening Classes - 6:00 PM.

## Welcome Visitors

If you are seeking a church home, we hope that you will consider joining with us. We are a growing congregation, dedicated to worshiping in truth and spirit. Please fill out the Visitor's Card and place it in the collection plate!

## Those to Serve

### Today

**Announcements**- Lyle Russell

**Communion**- Rick Cook

**Sermon**- Don DeLukie

**Opening prayer**- Don DeLukie

**Closing Prayer**- Paul Simpson

**May 5th**

**Announcements**- Travis Rogers

**Communion**- Jerry McDonald

**Sermon**- Don DeLukie

**Opening prayer**- Wayne Fowler

**Closing Prayer**- David Repond

## Announcements

**—Men's and Women's Meetings today:** There will be separate Men's and Women's meetings following services this morning.

**—Fish Fry:** Our next Fish Fry is scheduled for Saturday, June 22nd. More details to follow.

**—Question & Answer Series:** Our next Question & Answer Series will be when enough questions are accumulated. Give your questions to Don.

**—Children's Home Collection:** Our congregation is collecting items for the Children's Home in Paragould, AR. Collection boxes are by the nursery. A list of needed items is in the foyer.

IN YOUR PRESENCE  
THERE IS FULLNESS  
OF *joy*  
PSALM 16:11

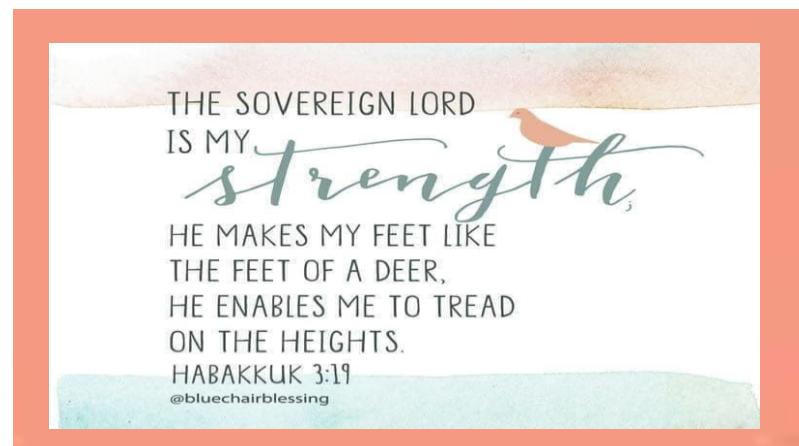
## Please Pray For:

Walt Henson, Judy Smith, Debbie Cook, Miriam Russell, Mary Wyatt, Lottie Dickson, Hazel Bissell, Bernice Tubbs, John McDaniel, Jackson Turnbeaux, Brad Farrington, Brenda Farrington, Bruce Paton, Eugene Sutton, Neil Carter, Wanda Witherington, Sharon Sawyer Morris, Lucy Hollis, Tommy Franklin.

**Bereaved:** Families of Steve Tores, Christie Wilson, Dwain Flowers, Donny Parks, Everett Frost, George Sehon.

## Needing Long-Term Prayers:

Arthur Binford, Wallace Graves, Dan Ross Jr, Ronnie & Dena White, Joanne Randolph, Bettye Flowers, Linda Garris, Sharon White-Ross, James Johnson, Bobby Barker, Ronnie Tatum, Cindy Smith, Renee Gee, Bobby Simmons, Tricia Muse, Terrance Dawson, Jamie Ross.



### April birthdays

- 10 - Sydney Scharf
- 12 - Joanne Randolph
- 27 - James Johnson

### April anniversaries

- 4 - Ronnie & Janice Hayes
- 28 - Larry & Joanne Randolph

