

that year where guest speakers fly in, deliver their message and fly home; not knowing what the speakers before them said. The first speaker, from California, said, "I believe Satan is targeting the homes of pastors. I have seen more pastors and wives get divorced than ever before."

The next night, an evangelist said, "Satan is working overtime in Pastoriums. Almost every other pastor where I go has asked me to pray about the fiction in his home. Satan, is targeting the marriages of Pastors today."

The last speaker was Billy Graham and he said, "I see Satan targeting more pastors and their wives because he knows that is the best way to tear God's churches apart". I stopped being mad at Mary Ann and got mad at the devil.

## TWO MYSTERIES

Two little fish were swimming in the ocean near Myrtle Beach. One said, "They tell me there is an Atlantic Ocean but I don't believe it. I'll believe it when I see it." Of course they were swimming in the Atlantic Coast.

There are two things in our lives just like that. We cannot understand, picture, imagine or prove them. They are God and Satan. They are not "someone in the great somewhere", they are spirit beings in our minds fighting for our allegiance. From the moment we are born our minds and thoughts pull on us. The rope in this tug of war, is our desire to be happy but the road Satan takes us down brings nothing but heartache,

## THE BIGGEST LIE

**"The serpent told Eve, "You will not die! (*if you eat this fruit*). [Genesis 3]**

Billy Graham said the serpent in Genesis looked like a "question mark". He talked about God and right and wrong and told her what God said *would* happen would *not* happen. Suppose you are having a hard time financially. The doctor bills are high and

you don't have money to pay your bills. You have tried prayer but nothing happened.

You work for a large company handling the finances. One day the thought hits you that you could take a \$100 a week and no one would ever know. You think of how it would help you, but being a Christian, you put it out of your mind. There is one good thing about the devil -he never gives up. The thought keeps coming back.

When your car breaks down – more money down the drain – you begin thinking – "They will never miss it. They don't pay me enough anyhow. I have earned it. I'll do it just this one time. I'll pay it back"- all lies. You give in and do it once – then again and again. And you get caught. I have seen this happen several times to church members. Most of the time all the judge does is make them pay it back. But one lady spent 30 days in the county jail.

A man in his 30s came to see me and said something I said in a sermon when he was a teenager, had come true in his life. He met an old girl at the spa, had a short affair and was about to lose his wife and boys. What I said was, **"Sin will always take you further than you want to go; keep you longer than you want to stay and cost you more than you want to pay."** Thank God his family stayed together, but I promise you this - some scars remained. They always do.

No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. But God can be trusted. He will not let you be tempted beyond your strength, but with the temptation will provide the way of escape. . ."  
(1 Cor. 10:13)

A clerk saw a little boy putting a piece of candy near his pocket over and over. He walked over and said, "Son, are you trying to take that candy without paying for it?" He said, "No sir. I'm trying not to."