

HomeTouch

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Orange Coast Church



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Sunday, September 9, 2007

Scripture Reading: Luke 14:25-33

TODAY'S THOUGHT: *Experience is the name everyone gives to their mistakes.* — Oscar Wilde

Would we really like a life in which there were no problems? Would we really want to be a boat on an ocean with no wind in our sails? Probably not. That doesn't mean, of course, that when those winds blow that the sea can't get quite stormy. We don't want a life without problems, but that doesn't mean that they are not, in fact, problems!

Problems, when resolved, usually result in improving someone's—perhaps your own—situation. Resolved problems often result in a new possibility. We've learned this by experience. That's why mature, wise people, especially those who have placed their faith in Christ, don't fear the approach of a problem.

We close this daily thought with a poem offered by that most famous poet of all, Anonymous:

For every problem
Under the sun

There is a solution
Or there is none.

If there's a solution
Go and find it.

If there isn't,
Never mind it.

Prayer: *Dear God, give me courage and perseverance to face whatever "problem" may arise for me today. Amen.*

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Daily Bible Readings

Sunday: Acts 15:1-18:11

Monday: 1 Chronicles 20-23

Tuesday: 1 Chronicles 24-26

Wednesday: 1 Chronicles 27-29

Thursday: 2 Chronicles 1-3

Friday: 2 Chronicles 4-6

Saturday: Psalms 97-99



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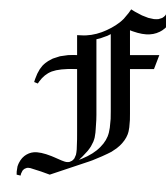
these words. There is something fishy about them. What is it?

Answer below.

**CARPET CODES
SPIKED SOLEMN**

Give Me an ...

DIRECTIONS: Use your vocabulary skills to match these words beginning with the letter F to the short definition provided in the column to the right.



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| _____ 1. facetious | A. fertile, prolific |
| _____ 2. fallacious | B. ineffective, feeble, irresponsible |
| _____ 3. fastidious | C. foolish, illusory, idiotic |
| _____ 4. fatuous | D. smelly, having an unpleasant odor |
| _____ 5. feckless | E. hard to please, squeamish |
| _____ 6. fecund | F. deceptive, misleading |
| _____ 7. fetid | G. humorous, witty |
| _____ 8. foible | H. to thunder forth, to utter censure, threats |
| _____ 9. foray | I. a personal weakness, character flaw |
| _____ 10. fulminate | J. an initial try, a marauding expedition |

Answers: 1G, 2F, 3E,
4C, 5B, 6A, 7D, 8I, 9J,
10H

Answers: They all contain
a type of fish – CARPet,
CODes, sPIKEd, SOLEmn.

A businessman well known for his ruthlessness once announced to writer Mark Twain, "Before I die I mean to make a pilgrimage to the Holy Land. I will climb Mount Sinai and read the Ten Commandments aloud at the top."

*"I have a better idea," replied Twain.
"You could stay in Boston and keep them."*