

“THINKABOUTIT” THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

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Often, when people think about Christians they perceive us as being weaklings, cowering in the shadows or merely disinterested in the ways of the world hiding our heads in the sand; yet, that’s not what Jesus wants from His people. In one of my favorite bits of advice, Jesus challenged His disciples by saying, “... I send you out as sheep in the midst of wolves; therefore be shrewd as serpents, and innocent as doves.” (Matthew 10:16).

If we are going to make a difference in our world, we can’t afford to be ignorant of the ways of the world. We have to know what’s going on and how it is going to impact our lives, our families, our churches and our communities. Thousands of years ago, as King David was preparing his people to do battle, he called upon a group who were “... men who understood the times, with knowledge of what Israel should do ...” (I Chronicles 12:32). In today’s battle between good and evil our Lord needs people who know the trends and have the wisdom to deal with them. Are we up to the challenge?

Think about it! For the Madison Avenue Church of Christ; this is Charlie Wharton.