

“THINKABOUTIT” THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

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Whether it's the spray of a semi in a rainstorm or the fog of the freshly fallen snow kicked up by the car in front of us, one of the most dangerous parts of driving is traffic "backwash". This residue of moisture on the roadway is not only messy on a freshly washed vehicle, it's also dangerous because it can keep us from seeing the hazards that lie ahead of us. Frankly, about the only way we can manage this vulnerability is to keep a safe distance from those creating the problem.

In life, there is something similar to backwash. How many people do we know how go about their lives kicking up "issues" that can cloud our view? Whether leading us into temptations with them, or merely messing up our view of the dangers of life by sucking us into their mess, there are people who frankly aren't very good for us.

When we find people who are obstructing our view of life, let's apply a lesson from Driver's Ed and back away from them. Sometimes – in traffic and in life – distance is the best technique we can use to avoid a wreck.

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