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The teacher of the earth science class was lecturing on map reading. After explaining about latitude, longitude, degrees and minutes the teacher asked, "Suppose I asked you to meet me for lunch at 23 degrees, 4 minutes north latitude and 45 degrees, 15 minutes east longitude ... T' After a confused silence, a voice volunteered, "I guess you'd be eating alone."

A guy was walking along the beach one day and came across a lamp. He picked it up, rubbed it, and a genie popped out. The genie told him he would grant him three wishes. "First," the guy began, "I'd like a million dollars." POOF! A million dollars was suddenly showing on his checkbook balance. "Second," he continued, "I'd like a new Mercedes." POOF! A Mercedes appeared right in front of him. "Third," the guy smirked, "I'd like to be irresistible to women." POOF! He turned into a box of chocolates.

A stockbroker was cold calling about a penny stock and found a taker. "I think this one will really move said the broker, it's only \$1 a share." "Buy me 1000 shares." said the client. The next day the stock was at \$2, The client called the broker and said, "You were right, give me 5000 more shares." The next day the client looked in the paper and the stock was at \$4. The client ran to the phone and called the broker, "Get me 10,000 more shares said the client." "Great!" said the broker. The next day the client looked in the paper and the stock was at \$9. Seeing what a great profit he had in just a few days, the client ran to the phone and told the broker, "Sell all my shares!" The broker said, "To whom? You were the only one buying that stock."

A judge was instructing the jury that a witness was not necessarily to be regarded as untruthful because he changed his statement after he gave it to the police. "For example," he said, "when I entered my chambers today, I was positive that I had my gold watch in my pocket. But then I remembered that I left in on my nightstand in my bedroom." When the judge returned home that evening, his wife asked him "Why so much urgency for your watch? Isn't sending three men to pick it up for you a bit extreme?" "What?" said the judge, "I didn't send anyone for my watch, let alone three people. What did you do?" "I gave it to the first one," said the wife, "he knew exactly where it was."

Two robins were sitting in a tree. "I'm really hungry," said the first one. "Me too" said the second. "Lets fly down and find some lunch." They flew to the ground and found a nice plot of plowed ground full of worms. They ate and ate and ate 'til they could eat no more. "I'm so full I don't think I can fly back up to the tree," said the first one. "Me either. Let's just lay here and bask in the warm sun." said the second. "O.K." said the first. They plopped down, basking in the sun. No sooner than they had fallen asleep, when a big fat tom cat snuck up and gobbled them up. As he sat washing his face after his meal, he thought, "I love baskin' robins."

Joe the lawyer died suddenly, at the age of 45. He got to the gates of Heaven, and the angel standing there said, "We've been waiting a long time for you." "What do you mean," he replied, "I'm only 45, in the prime of my life. Why did I have to die now?" "45? You're not 45, you're 82," replied the angel. "Wait a minute. If you think I'm 82 then you have the wrong guy. I'm only 45. I can show you my birth certificate." "Hold on. Let me go check," said the angel and disappeared inside. After a few minutes the angel returned. "Sorry, but by our records you are 82.1 checked all the hours you have billed your clients, and you have to be at least 82."

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Bobby's class was having an English lesson, and the teacher called on Bobby to recite a sentence with a direct object. Bobby stood and thought, then said, "Teacher, everybody thinks you are beautiful." "Why thank you, Bobby," the teacher said, blushing. "But what is the direct object?" "A good report card next month," he said.

Ole and Lena lived on a lake in Northern Minnesota. It was near the end of winter and spring was just beginning. Ole asked Lena if she would walk across the frozen lake to the general store to pick him up some tobacco. She asked for some money, but he told her to put it on their tab. So she walked across, got the tobacco and walked back. Then she asked Ole why he didn't send her with any money. He said, "I vasn't goin' to send a dollar ven I vasn't sure how tick de ice vas."

Emily Sue passed away and Bubba called 911. The 911 operator told Bubba that she would send someone out right away. "where do you live?" asked the operator. Bubba replied, "At the end of Eucalyptus Drive." The operator asked, "Can you spell that for me?" "There was a long pause and finally Bubba said, "How'bout if I drag her over to Oak Street and you pick her up there?"

During one "generation gap" quarrel with his parents, young Michael cried out, "I want excitement, adventure, money, and beautiful women. I'll never find it here at home, so I'm leaving. Don't try and stop me!" With that, he headed toward the door. His father rose and followed. The son exclaimed, "Didn't you hear what I said? I don't want you to try and stop me." "Who's trying to stop you?" replied his father. "I wan to go with you."

A country preacher decided to skip services one Sunday and head to the hills to do some bear hunting. As he rounded the corner on a perilous twist in the trail, he collided with a bear, sending the bear and his rifle tumbling down the mountainside. Before he knew it, his rifle went one way and he went the other. He landed on a rock and broke both legs. However, that was the good news. The bad news was the ferocious bear was charging at him from a distance, and he couldn't move. "Oh, Lord," the preacher prayed, "I'm so sorry for skipping services today to come out here and hunt. Please forgive me and grant me just one wish: Please make a Christian out of that bear that's coming at me. Please, Lord!" That very instant the bear skidded to a halt, fell to its knees, clasped its paws together and began to pray aloud right at the preacher's feet: "Dear Clod, bless this food I am about to receive. . ."

Mickey's wife bought a new line of expensive cosmetics guaranteed to make her look years younger. After a lengthy sitting before the mirror applying the "miracle" products, she asked, "Darling, honestly what age would you say I am?" Looking her over carefully, Mickey replied, "Judging from your skin, twenty; your hair, eighteen; and your figure, twenty five." "Oh, you flatterer!" she gushed. "Hey, wait a minute!" Mickey interrupted. "I haven't added them up yet."

Morris walks out into the street and manages to get a taxi just going by. He gets into the taxi, and the cabbie says, "Perfect timing. You're just like Dave." "Who?" "Dave Aronson. There's a guy who did everything right. Like my coming along when you needed a cab. It would have happened like that to Dave." "There are always a few clouds over everybody," says Morris. "Not Dave. He was a terrific athlete. He could have gone on the pro tour in tennis. He could golf with the pros. He sang like an opera baritone and danced like a Broadway star." "He was something, huh?" "He had a memory like a trap. Could remember everybody's birthday. He knew all about wine, which fork to eat with. He could fix anything." "No wonder you remember him." Says Morris. "Well, I never actually met Dave." "Then how do you know so much about him?" asks Morris. "Because I married his widow."

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A woman reported the disappearance of her husband to the police. The officer in charge looked at the photograph she handed him, questioned her, and then asked if she wished to give her husband any message if they found him. "Yes," she replied readily. "Tell him, 'Mother didn't come after all'."

One time when while visiting her folks, a friend went to set the table for dinner. She opened the refrigerator and taped to the inside of the door was a risque picture of a lovely, slender, perfectly built, but scantily-clad young woman. "Mom, what's this?" She asked. "Oh, I put that up there to remind me not to over-eat," Mom said. "Is it working?" she asked. "Yes and no," she replied. "I've lost 15 pounds, but your dad has gained 20!"

A blonde decides to try horseback riding, even though she has had no lessons or prior experience. Screwing up her courage, she mounts the horse. The horse immediately springs into a steady gallop. Frightened and inexperienced, the blonde begins to slip from the saddle. In terror, she grabs for the horse's mane, but cannot seem to get a firm grip. She tries to throw her arms around the horse's neck, but she slides down the side of the horse anyway. The horse gallops along, seemingly oblivious to its slipping rider. Finally, giving up her frail grip, the blonde attempts to leap away from the horse and throw herself to safety. Unfortunately, her foot has become entangled in the stirrup, and she is now at the mercy of the horse's pounding hooves as her head is struck against the ground over and over. As her head is battered against the ground, she is mere moments away from Unconsciousness when to her great fortune .....Phil, the Wal-Mart greeter, sees her, rushes to her rescue, and unplugs the horse.

A man goes to the confessional. "Forgive me father, for I have sinned." "What is your sin, my son?" the priest asks back. "Well," the man starts, "I used some horrible language this week and feel absolutely terrible." When did you use this awful language?" asks the priest. "Well, I was golfing and hit an incredible drive that looked like it was going to go over 280 yards, but it struck a phone line that was hanging over the fairway and fell straight down to the ground after going only about 100 yards." "Is that when you swore?" "No, Father," says the man. "After that, a squirrel ran out of the bushes and grabbed my ball in his mouth and began to run away." "Is THAT when you swore?" asks the Father again. "Well, no." says the man. "You see, as the squirrel was running, an eagle came down out of the sky, grabbed the squirrel in his talons and began to fly away!" "Is THAT when you swore?" asks the amazed Priest. "No, not yet," "As the eagle carried the squirrel away in his claws, it flew over a bit of forest near the green and the squirrel dropped my ball." "Did you swear THEN?" asked the impatient Priest. "No, because as the ball fell, it struck a tree, bounced through some bushes, careened off a big rock, and rolled through a sand trap onto the green and stopped within six inches of the hole." Silence filled the confessional until the Priest sighed and said, "You missed the damn putt, didn't you?"

#### Church Bulletin Bloopers

National PRAYER & FASTING Conference. "The cost for attending the Fasting and Prayer conference includes meals" ....Our youth basketball team is back in action Wednesday at 8 p.m. in the recreation hall. Come out and watch us kill Christ the King....Today the pastor will preach his farewell message after which the choir will sing "Break Forth into Joy".... "Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale. It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Don't forget your husbands".... The peacemaking meeting scheduled for today has been canceled due to a conflict.... The sermon this morning: "Jesus walks on the water". The sermon tonight: 'Searching for Jesus'.. . Next Thursday there will be tryouts for the choir. They need all the help they can get....Remember in prayer those who are sick of our church and community.