

Backyard bird watching with Harry:

by Harry Johnson

It's springtime and it's the season for love. I'm talking about bird love and bird dating. Do birds fall in love? I'm not sure anyone knows the answer to that question, but many species form pair bonds that last through at least one breeding season. A few species mate for life, and a few species hook up only for the act of copulation. Regardless, it all starts with courtship. Singing and other vocalizations are a common and familiar way for male and female birds to make that special connection, but there are other ways birds catch the eye of that special someone. Let's test our knowledge about how various bird species go about "dating." Good luck to you all.

The Questions:

1. Which of these birds, dances as part of courtship and once paired, to strengthen a family bond?
A) Sandhill crane
B) American robin
C) Berwick's wren
D) California quail
2. Which male bird loads nest boxes and natural cavities with sticks in order to impress a prospective mate?
A) Wood duck

- B) House wren
C) Western bluebird
D) Northern cardinal
3. Which male bird, to impress the female, steps in circles, singing *peent*, then launches into a spiraling flight with wings whirring loudly?
A) Black-capped chickadee
B) Mourning dove
C) Greater roadrunner
D) American woodcock
4. Males of which species impress a nearby female with aerial aerobics that include steep dives and short back and forth flights?
A) Rufous hummingbird
B) Brown pelican
C) Bald eagle
D) Western screech owl
5. In which species does courtship involve a male and female flying to great altitudes, locking feet and tumbling almost to the ground?
A) Common loon
B) Bald eagle
C) Belted kingfisher
D) Vaux's swift

- ### The Answers:
1. A) Sandhill cranes dance as part of courtship to strengthen family bonds, and sometimes apparently, because of peer pressure.
2. B) House wrens have been know to nest in farm machinery, old boots and the pockets of coats hung in open buildings and decorative cow skulls.
3. D) American woodcocks winter in the southern United States and are among the first migrants to head north each year. In the southern parts of their breeding range, they can start their courtship display in January.
4. A) Rufous hummingbird males perform aerial acrobatics to impress a prospective mate. These flights are distinctive among species, meaning that it's possible to identify a hummingbird by the flight path of its display.
5. B) Bald eagles courtship appears to be an exercise in risk-taking.
- I hope you enjoyed taking this small quiz. Just for the record, I got only three questions right. We have Rufous hummingbirds here during the summer and one of the things we love is their mating flights. For years I thought the sound made during its dive was it scream-

ing, but it's the wind going through its wings at very high speeds. Cheryl and I have been privileged with watching hawks doing their mating flight and tumble. It's something that once seen, you'll never forget and always look back on with fond memories.

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The above is from Harry Johnson in O'Brien and Bird Wire at Birdwatchers Digest.



American woodcock



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Church News

Community Bible Church

The free and easy life of the Apostle Paul

2 *Corinthians 11:23-28* (NKJV) 23 Are they ministers of Christ?--I speak as a fool--I am more: in labors more abundant, in stripes above measure, in prisons more frequently, in deaths often. 24 From the Jews five times I received 40 stripes minus one. 25 Three times I was beaten with rods; once I was stoned; three times I was shipwrecked; a night and a day I have been in the deep; 26 in journeys often, in perils of waters, in perils of robbers, in perils of my own countrymen, in perils of the Gentiles, in perils in the city, in perils in the wilderness, in perils in the sea, in perils among false brethren; 27 in weariness and toil, in sleeplessness often, in hunger and thirst, in fastings often, in cold and nakedness--28 besides the other things, what comes upon me daily: my deep concern for all the churches.

On Sunday mornings at Community Bible Church (morning service 10:30-12) we are studying the book of Acts. The latter half of the book of Acts chronicles the missionary journeys of the Apostle Paul. In Acts 20, where we are currently studying, Paul addresses the leadership from the church at the city of Ephesus, who have come to see him before he departs from Miletus on his way to Jerusalem. One of the things that Paul says to his listeners is that "... the Holy Spirit testifies

in every city, saying that chains and tribulations await me." *Acts 20:23* It would seem that this would not be much of a future to look forward to. Most people wouldn't think chains and tribulations would be a pleasant future prospect, but Paul's future view was not limited to this life.

He had received from the Lord Jesus a call to serve Him, and Paul was willing to pay the price. In *Acts 20:24*, Paul continues the above statement about chains and trials with the following: "But none of these things move me; nor do I count my life dear to myself, so that I may finish my race with joy, and the ministry which I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God." This life was

something Paul considered a "race" -- he was just passing through -- the finish line was in heaven with the Lord Jesus.

Someone once told me that "if the living is right, the dying will go well." In other words, if we live right, it will be all right when we face death. Maybe we should all be more concerned with living well and not living easy. Paul knew that the Lord Jesus could take him through this life no matter what he faced. You can have that same confidence if your absolute trust is in Jesus.

**In Christ,
Pastor Dave**

Ministry at CBC

No A.W.A.N.A. until fall

Sunday, May 22
Morning Worship -- 10:30 a.m.
Prayer and Praise -- 6 p.m.

Community Christian Academy
Preschool -- High school
Senior Exercise Class
Monday, Wednesday, & Friday
9-10 a.m. in Dining Room

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

I'd rather trust Jesus

The first 27 verses of chapter 14 of the gospel of John are focused on one thing: "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Do not be afraid"

It's all about calming the fears of disciples who are about to be left alone and who are getting pretty darn scared. They've depended on Jesus for his guidance and leadership and now he's telling them that he's leaving them and they think they're going to be on their own. I know he's telling them that he's sending a 'comforter' -- the Holy Spirit - and it sure sounds like they could use a little comforting right about now. But they aren't sure what that really means. They just know that Jesus will be gone and that's scary. And when things get scary the disciples do what most people do: they worry.

Rick Warren says, "Worry is the warning light that God is really not first in my life at this particular moment." That's because worry says that I think God isn't big enough to handle my troubles.

Jesus says in *Matthew 6:33*: "Seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness..." He said that at the conclusion of an entire sermon on worry. So what's the antidote to worry? Put God first!

Here's a question: What was it that caused Peter to begin to sink when he was walking on the water with Jesus? He took his eyes off of Jesus and put them on his problem.

So what causes us to sink in our life of faith? What causes us to start drowning in worry? It's when we take our eyes off of Jesus and put them on our problems.

Jesus wants us to take our eyes off of our problems and put them on Him. That's what he's trying to tell the disciples and that's what he's trying to tell us.

Now keep in mind that these men had left everything to follow Jesus, but now He's telling them that He's going to leave them and they can't come with Him. Needless to say, they became very troubled. In fact, they were probably downright

scared to death.

The Greek word for "troubled" that's used here means: "to cause great mental distress." So they were more than just a little concerned; they were more than just a little bit worried. They were greatly and deeply troubled because everything they knew and trusted about what it meant to follow Jesus was about to change.

But Jesus tells them "Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in me." He's telling them point blank what they need to do: "Don't worry, believe in God, and believe in me." He's not saying to them "It's okay because you believe in God." What he's doing is commanding them to believe in God. He's saying, unequivocally, that the way to stop worrying is simply to believe that God is willing and fully able to handle your problems.

What the disciples needed and what we need is Faith In God. Corrie Ten Boom spoke of the unraveling effects of worry, when she said, "Worry

does not empty tomorrow of its sorrow, but it empties today of it's strength."

Worry will: raise your blood pressure, harden your arteries and put wrinkles on you face and dark circles under your eyes.

Worry won't: make your problems go away, help you deal with your problems and make you feel better.

The only antidote for worry is faith: Faith in God the Father; Faith in Jesus His Son; Faith in the Holy Spirit; and Faith in His promises. We need to stop worrying and believe!

Jesus has given us the foundation for confidence instead of fear. We don't have to worry because we believe in God. We can trust in his care for us. We can be confident that Jesus has prepared a place for us because Jesus is someone we can depend on.

With all that, you can worry if you want to, but I'd rather trust Jesus.

Places of Worship

BRIDGEVIEW COMMUNITY CHURCH 5181 Holland Loop Rd., CJ 541-592-3923 "Come Join the Worship!" Sunday Worship 10:30 a.m. Pastor Sonny Moore www.kbcc.us	COMMUNITY BIBLE CHURCH Pastor Dave Gordon 113 S. Caves Ave., CJ Office: 541-592-3896 Email: cbccca@gmail.com Sunday Worship - 10:30 a.m. Christian Academy Pre-K to 12th grade Awana - Wednesdays - 6 p.m.	GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH East River Street & Lewis Court, CJ Annemarie Richardson Lay Pastor. Sunday School - 9:15 a.m. Sunday Worship - 10 a.m. Church Phone: 541-592-2290 www.goodshepherdlutheraniv.net	THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS 209 S. Junction Ave., CJ Sacrament Meet - 10 a.m. Sunday School - 11:20 a.m. Priesthood, Relief Soc. - 12:10 p.m. Bishop Larry Hammersmith 541-592-3919
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*** Illinois Valley Praise Center 28569 Redwood Hwy. CJ Non-denominational Bible-believing Church Sunday school -- 9:30 a.m. Sunday Service -- 10:30 a.m. Thursday Seekers Meeting -- 7 p.m. Youth Group Thursday -- 7 p.m. www.ivpraisecenter.com	*** First Baptist Church of Selma 18285 Redwood Hwy., Selma 541-597-4169 Pastor Monty Pope Sunday School - 9:45 a.m. Worship - 11 a.m.		



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