

10 Questions with 2 Brothers of Live Oaks

1. Q. *What are your names?*
A. John Carter III
2. Q. *Do you have any children? If yes, what are their names and ages?*
A. No children.
3. Q. *How long have you been married?*
A. NA.
4. Q. *How long have you attended Live Oaks Community Church?*
A. 1 1/2 years.
5. Q. *How long have you lived in Wichita?*
A. Off and on for 14 years. I spent 4 years in St. Joseph, MO for college and 1 year in Washington DC.
6. Q. *Where do each of you work?*
A. LSI Logic in Failure Analysis.
7. Q. *What are each of your hobbies?*
A. Jet skiing, traveling, reading, & computer games.
8. Q. *Do you have any pets? If yes, what are they and what are their names?*
A. I have two long haired cats named Lola & Toby.



9. Q. *What are each of your favorite sports?*
A. NFL and College football & hockey.
10. Q. *Tell us something about yourself (each of you) that no one else in the Church may know about you.*
A. I played tuba for the NFL Baltimore Raven's marching band for one season while living in Washington.

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1. Q. *What are your names?*
A. Jamie Carter
 2. Q. *Do you have any children? If yes, what are their names and ages?*
A. Jordan—5 years.
 3. Q. *How long have you been married?*
A. NA.



4. Q. *How long have you attended Live Oaks Community Church?*
A. 9 months.
5. Q. *How long have you lived in Wichita?*
A. 12 years.
6. Q. *Where do each of you work?*
A. Benacor
7. Q. *What are each of your hobbies?*
A. Playing pool and computer games.
8. Q. *Do you have any pets? If yes, what are they and what are their names?*
A. No pets.
9. Q. *What are each of your favorite sports?*
A. I prefer to mainly watch sports.
10. Q. *Tell us something about yourself (each of you) that no one else in the Church may know about you.*
A. I like to write poetry.

Malachi 3:3: He will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver.



This verse puzzled some women in a Bible study and they wondered what this statement meant about the character and nature of God.

One of the women offered to find out the process of refining silver and get back to the group at their next Bible Study.

That week, the woman called a silversmith and made an appointment to watch him at work. She didn't mention anything about the reason for her interest beyond her curiosity about the process of refining Silver.

As she watched the silversmith, he held a piece of silver over the fire and let it heat up. He explained that in refining silver, one needed to hold the silver in the middle of the fire where the flames were hottest as to burn away all the impurities.

The woman thought about God holding us in such a hot spot; then she thought again about the verse that says: "He sits as a refiner and purifier of silver." She asked the silversmith if it was true that he had to sit there in front of the fire the whole time the silver was being refined.

The man answered yes, he not only had to sit there holding the silver, but he had to keep his eyes on the silver the entire time it was in the fire. If the silver was left a moment too long in the flames, it would be destroyed.

The woman was silent for a moment. Then she asked the silversmith, "How do you know when the silver is fully refined?"

He smiled at her and answered, "Oh, that's easy -- when I see my image in it."

If you are feeling the heat of the fire, remember that God has his eye on you and will keep watching you until He sees His image in you.



A Dozen Eggs



The elderly pastor was searching his closet for his collar before church one Sunday morning. In the back of the closet, he found a small box containing 3 eggs and 100 one dollar bills. He called his wife into the closet to ask her about the box and its contents. Embarrassed, she admitted having hidden the box for their entire 25 years of marriage. Disappointed and hurt, the pastor asked her, "WHY"?

The wife replied that she hadn't wanted to hurt his feelings. He asked her how the box could have hurt his feelings. She said that every time during their marriage that he delivered a poor sermon, she had placed an egg in the box. The pastor felt that 3 poor sermons in 25 years was certainly nothing to feel bad about so he asked her what the one hundred dollars was for.

She replied, "Each time I got a dozen eggs, I sold them to the neighbors for a dollar".

