

Interrupting the Wedding

Recently, a hilarious film clip was shown on one of those “funniest home video” programs on television. It was a wedding video shot from the back of the church, looking up the aisle toward the bride and groom.

Because of the camera angle, you could see several members of the congregation.

Suddenly, during the vows, a man jumped up from his pew and yelled, “Yes! Yes! Yes!” as he pumped his fist. Then he froze and slid down into his seat – and sheepishly took off his headphones. It turned out he had been listening to the Auburn-Alabama football game, and his favorite team had just scored.

We’ve all had times when we are physically in one place but mentally in another. Many times, it is not a real problem, except ...

- In church, for worship, or a wedding, as happened in this case.
- At a funeral, facing the bereaved, when dignity and sympathy are imperative.
- In building a relationship, because the other party knows it when the eyes glaze over.
- While driving, because your attention on the road and the traffic may save your life.
- In the workplace of Life Care, American Lifestyles or Life Care at Home, where the focus of your mind and your heart impacts our residents.

It’s a tall order for a football fan (and I am in that category), but absolutely necessary.

--Beecher Hunter