

Off Went the Hot Dog

In June of 1994, about 62,000 men gathered at the Hoosier Dome in Indianapolis, Ind., for an event called Promise Keepers. One goal of the conference was to challenge men to demonstrate integrity by adhering to the principles of godly living set forth in the Bible.

According to one report, the men started meeting that goal right away.

During a break, the hallways were jammed with men. One hungry guy who was stuck by a food stand bought a hot dog, but the mustard was clear across the concourse. Well, you can't eat a hot dog without mustard. At least, I can't.

Undaunted, the man who purchased the hot dog handed it to the next man and requested, "Mustard." Off it went.

The woman who sold the snacks laughed and said, "Honey, you aren't going to see that hot dog again."

"Yes, he will," someone standing nearby replied. "These guys are Christians."

Sure enough, the hot dog made it back – with mustard.

King David in the Old Testament vowed to walk in integrity (Psalm 26:11), and so should we, especially because we deal every day with the lives of people. David could do so only because he trusted the Lord to help him. We should do the same.

Let's surprise people with our integrity – even with something as trivial as a hot dog.

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