

Victim of a Peeling

In July 1911, a stuntman named Bobby Leach went over Niagara Falls in a specially designed steel drum and lived to tell about it. Although he suffered minor injuries, he survived because he recognized the tremendous dangers involved in the feat, and because he had done everything he could to protect himself from harm.

Several years after that event, while skipping down a street in New Zealand, Leach slipped on an orange peeling, fell and badly fractured his leg. He was taken to a hospital where he later died of complications from that fall. He received a greater injury walking down the street than he sustained in going over Niagara Falls. He was not prepared for danger in what he assumed to be a safe situation.

Could we be like Bobby Leach? Some great temptations that roar around us like the foaming cataract of Niagara Falls may leave us unharmed, while a small, insignificant incident causes our downfall. Why? Simply put, it is because we become careless and do not recognize the potential danger in it, and make poor choices.

A victorious Christian is an alert Christian. A prepared Christian is a praying Christian.

God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able. I
Corinthians 10:13

-- Beecher Hunter