

On April 3, 1860, the Pony Express service began as the first rider departed St. Joseph, Missouri. For \$5 an ounce, letters were delivered on horseback 2,000 miles to California within ten days. The service ended less than two years later upon the completion of the overland telegraph, which brought quicker and more efficient communication. Though methods change, the need for communication remains. For Christians, Jesus' command to "go" is still in effect. What method of communication are you using?

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The Library of Congress was established in Washington, D.C. on April 24, 1800. It is the world's largest library. Among the 145 million items in its collections are more than 33 million books. Yet in all of these works of man, there is not one book that can lead a soul to eternal life. The Bible alone holds the answers to man's most important questions: Where did we come from? Where are we going? How do I live in the meantime? While the Library of Congress is the largest repository of writings, the Bible is the most important!

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Desensitized by Saturation

The practice of desensitization by saturation is very common one. Just take a moment and look back in your life and compare your past to what is allowed and permitted in our culture today. I understand that there is nothing new under the sun (Ecc. 1:9) and the sin we deal with today is the same as the sin we have dealt with in the past. But there is an all-out effort to desensitize our minds in the areas of morality. Television, movies, music, and the internet; are all well into the "saturation" mode. The homosexual agenda is in full swing. The level of violence "needed" in a major action movie defies description. And sex? There is not one part of our culture that sex is not a part of. The world says, "Take it, and enjoy." So, what does all this mean for the Christian? For one thing, we should recognize what the proven result of saturation actually is. It results in an unstable desire for more. Lust gratified leads to more lust. It's called addiction. A person starts down a road just "a little" and hears the promise that it will never go very far. Satan has been making addicts out of those folks since the beginning. When we keep going back for samples from the immoral buffet, we're eating the same garbage as that fellow that we wag our heads at who brought the "all you can eat" deal. And this fare is expressly made to keep you coming back for more. And it does.

So, stop eating the garbage! We don't have to eat it, you know? We don't have to see the latest movie. Our kids don't have to listen to the newest wave of "music." And we don't have to listen to old trash either! We don't have to watch homosexuals make fun of moral standards on the most popular sitcoms. We don't have to watch anything, if there's nothing worth watching, do we? Let's try re-sensitizing by dehydration. Let's take out the garbage!

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