

## Didn't See That Coming

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We don't think about it much – because it could possibly drive us over the edge – but seemingly benign decisions (you know, the lesser ones) have a way of returning and becoming the current our life gets caught up in. Choices we make can take on a life of their own blind siding us so completely we feel like we're drowning. Case in point, Ann decided to go out with a young farm boy, just as friends – harmless right! Look where that landed her!

Point being, our vision is extremely shortsighted. We think we can see down the road but we delude ourselves. Life has some wicked turns – some bringing unexpected joy (like me for Ann) while others – not so much!

This could be one of the reasons the Apostle Paul encourages the early Christians to pray without ceasing. As good as a decision looks in the beginning our Lord knows the ultimate conclusion of the matter.

We all have water marks in our lives – those choices we've made that when viewed by the world would cause them to ask, "How in the world did you let the muck get so high?" Remember, we serve a God who not only has perfect hindsight but His foresight is perfection as well. We should practice what Paul preached – ask before choosing. We have no way of knowing when a small decision might create a torrent and seek to drown us. He does, though!

–Dale