

*A Bit Harsh,
Don't You Think*

Acts 5:1-11

*God cannot stand unfaithfulness,
and pretending to be holy
is contemptible mockery.*

John Calvin



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“God’s great favor was on them all.”



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*¹But there was a certain man named Ananias who,
with his wife, Sapphira, sold some property.*

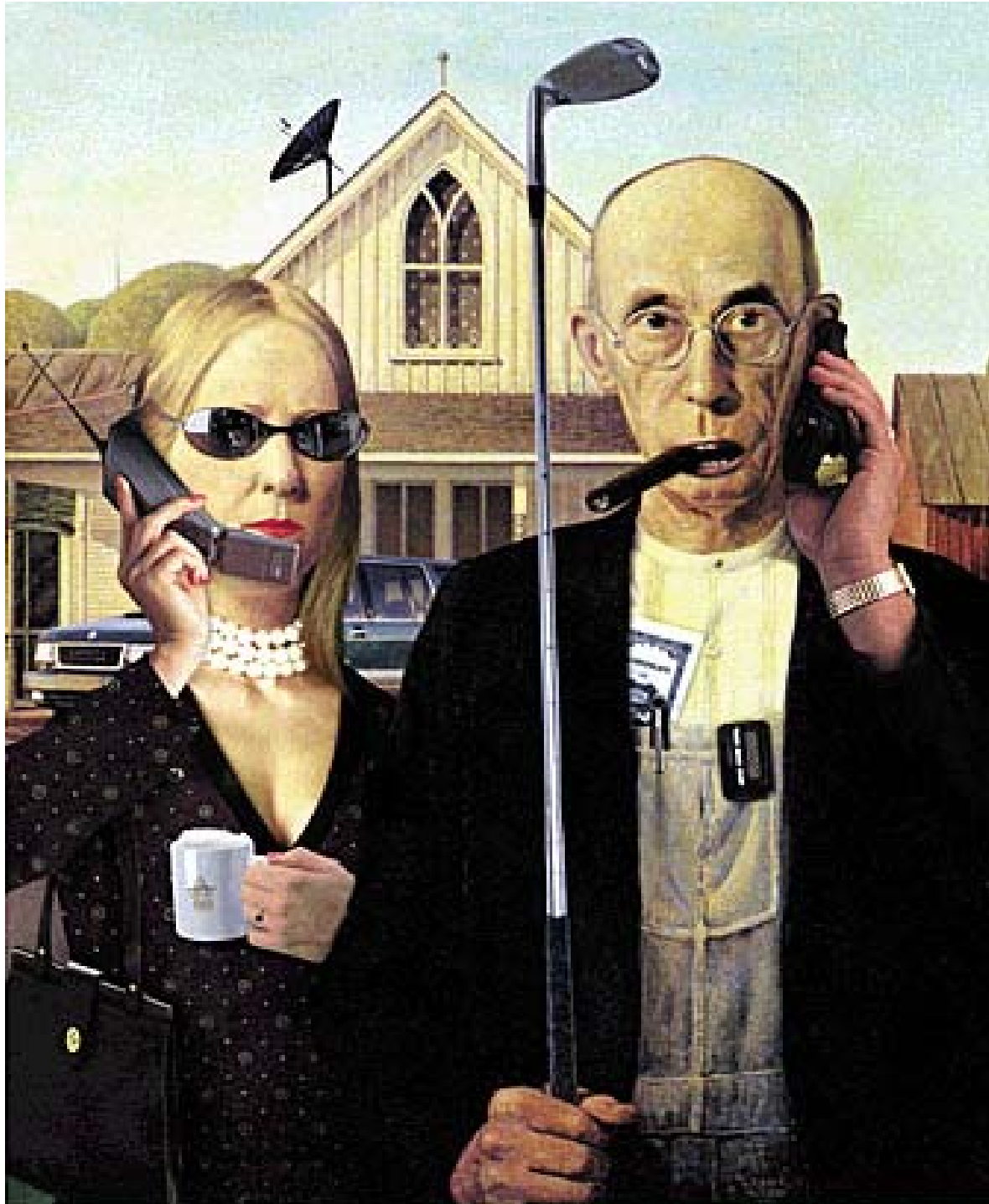
*²He brought part of the money to the apostles,
claiming it was the full amount.*

*With his wife's consent,
he kept the rest.*

Acts 5:1, 2 ^{NLT}

*³Then Peter said,
“Ananias, why have you let Satan fill your heart?
You lied to the Holy Spirit, and you kept some
of the money for yourself. ⁴The property was yours
to sell or not sell, as you wished. And after selling it,
the money was also yours to give away. How could
you do a thing like this? You weren’t lying to us
but to God!”*

Acts 5:3, 4^{NLT}



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*43 Why can't you understand what I am saying?
It's because you can't even hear me! 44 For you are
the children of your father the devil, and you love to
do the evil things he does. He was a murderer from
the beginning. He has always hated the truth,
because there is no truth in him. When he lies, it is
consistent with his character; for he is a liar and the
father of lies. 45 So when I tell the truth, you just
naturally don't believe me!*

John 8:43-45 ^{NLT}

5b “God opposes the proud but favors the humble.”

6 So humble yourselves under the mighty power of God, and at the right time he will lift you up in honor. 7 Give all your worries and cares to God, for he cares about you. 8 Stay alert! Watch out for your great enemy, the devil. He prowls around like a roaring lion, looking for someone to devour.

1 Peter 5:5b-8 ^{NLT}

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⁵As soon as Ananias heard these words, he fell to the floor and died. Everyone who heard about it was terrified. ⁶Then some young men got up, wrapped him in a sheet, and took him out and buried him. ⁷About three hours later his wife came in, not knowing what had happened.

Acts 5:5-7 ^{NLT}

*⁸Peter asked her,
“Was this the price you and your husband
received for your land?” “Yes,” she replied,
“that was the price.” ⁹And Peter said,
“How could the two of you even think of
Conspiring to test the Spirit of the Lord like this?
The young men who buried your husband are just
outside the door, and they will carry you out, too.”*

Acts 5:8, 9 ^{NLT}

*¹⁰Instantly, she fell to the floor and died.
When the young men came in and saw that she
was dead, they carried her out and buried her
beside her husband.*

Acts 5:10^{NLT}

*“For the time has come for judgment,
and it must begin first among God’s own children”*

1 Peter 4:17^{NLT}

*¹¹Great fear gripped the entire church
and everyone else who heard what had happened.*

Acts 5:11 ^{NLT}

*“To fear God is to take him seriously
and do what he says.”*

Chuck Swindol

