## MercEmail A Weekly Devotional by Steve Higginbotham

## Free Tickets to the Fair

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This past weekend, we attended the Tennessee Valley Fair with a couple friends. As we were leaving the fair and returning to our car, we noticed that there was a long line of people who were in line to purchase entry tickets. My friend happened to have a few unused, extra tickets, so he went over to the line and said, "I'll give you two free tickets into the fair if you can tell me how many books there are in the Bible." The answers started pouring in, "2!" "4!" "16!" "33!" "50!" The guesses continued for quite some time. No one in that long line of people could tell my friend how many books were in the Bible. It wasn't like he asked them to name of the books of the Bible, just give the number of books. No one could do it.

I guess I shouldn't have been surprised, but I was. It's caused me to consider that some day we will all stand before God and have to give an answer in order to obtain something of much greater value than just entrance into the fair. Friends, how prepared will you be to give an answer then?

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