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**Fellowship of Companies for Christ
 Greater Hartford Chapter
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- Opening prayer / praise reports
- Introductions
- Today's Topic: **Managing Risk: where does trust end & folly begin?**

All the believers were together and had everything in common. They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need. —Acts 2:44-45

Anyone who does not provide for their relatives, and especially for their own household, has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever. —1 Timothy 5:8

Risk = possibility of suffering harm or loss; danger
 Insurance = protection, assurance, coverage against harm or loss

Last week's hurricane caused me to think about *insurance*. If you added up the premiums you pay each year (e.g., liability insurance, unemployment compensation, worker's comp, medical insurance, car insurance, homeowners insurance, life insurance), it's an astounding amount of money. Here in Connecticut, insurance is big business, employing about 65,000 people!

From a Christian perspective, there are extremes on both ends...from "God tells me not to worry about anything. If I really trusted Him 100%, I wouldn't need insurance" to "God gave me a brain and wants me to use it. If I'm uninsured or under-insured, I'm not taking care of my family, I'm not being a good financial steward, and I am tempting God."

What has been your approach to insurance? Is the Lord speaking to you about changes?

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| Evaluate yourself from 1 (weak) to 10 (strong) in terms of the wisdom of your approach to risk management. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| Why did you give yourself this rating? | | | | | | | | | | |
| What benefits might you enjoy by becoming wiser in this area? | | | | | | | | | | |
| What specific actions can you take to become wiser in this area? | | | | | | | | | | |

- Next meeting: here on Wednesday, September 21 @ 7:30 am
- Upcoming events/news
- Closing prayer