

You won't find the righteous path by cutting corners

Q: I know you'd probably say we ought to be honest and always tell the truth, but in my experience no one really gets ahead if they act like that all the time. You have to cut a few corners if you're going to be successful, no matter what the Ten Commandments say.
— K.G.

is corrupt does not prosper; one whose tongue is perverse falls into trouble" (Proverbs 17:20).



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But I not only hope you'll become a person of honesty and integrity — important as that is. More than that, I pray you'll stop and reconsider your priority in life.

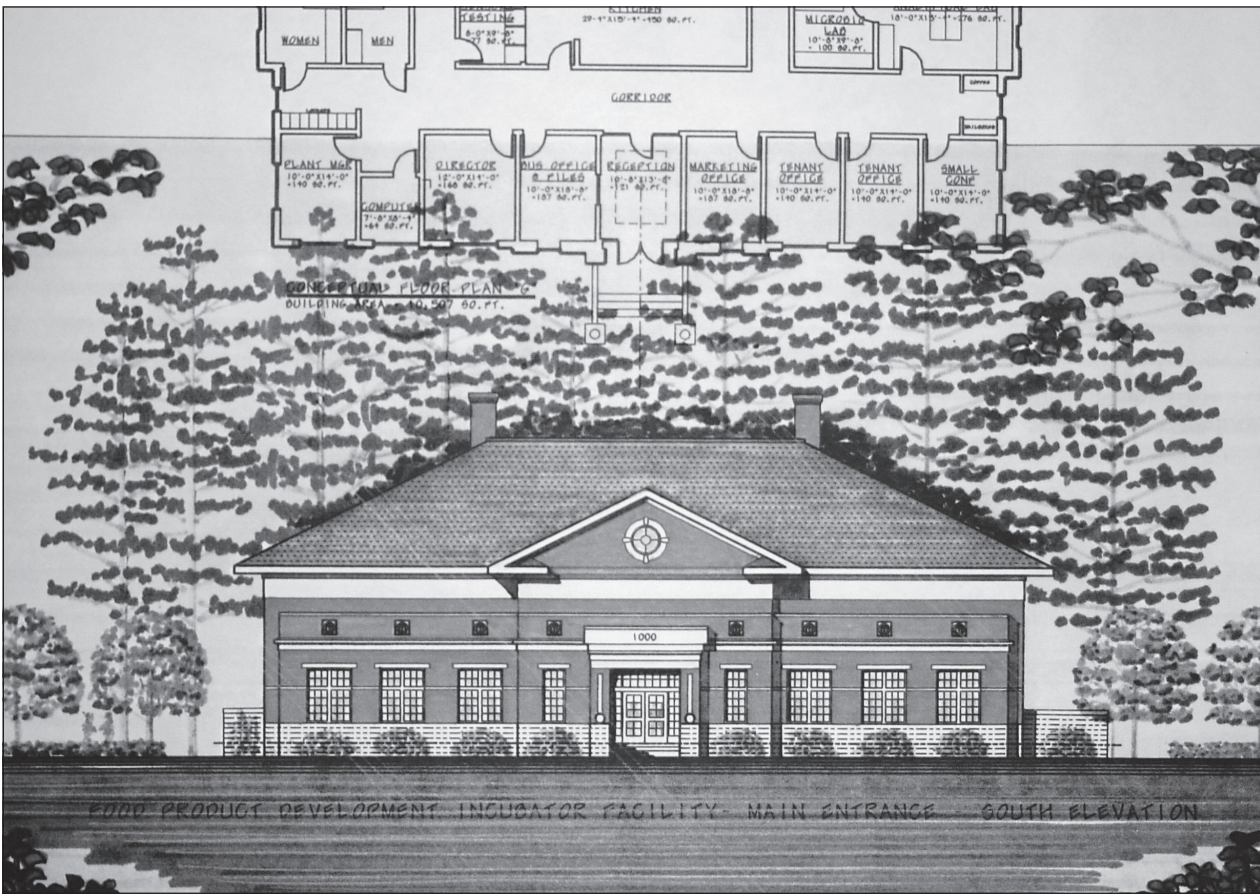
A: You've probably looked around you and seen people who appeared to be getting ahead by being less than honest — and in the short term perhaps they were.

From what you say, right now your only priority is to get ahead and make lots of money. But that will never give you the happiness and peace you seek, as long as you make them the center of your life.

But at what cost? In the long term they are on a dead-end road — and so will you be, if you decide to follow their example. You see, eventually what they are doing will catch up with them. People they cheat will eventually realize what has happened — and stop doing business with them or even wanting their friendship. Instead of being liked, they'll end up being mistrusted and even hated. Do you honestly want this to happen to you? The Bible warns, "One whose heart

Instead I urge you to turn to Jesus Christ and make Him your life's foundation. God made you, and Christ loves you. Don't be deceived by the false promises of wealth and success, but make it your goal to put Christ first and become His follower.

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UGA FOODPIC

An artist's rendering of the FoodPIC building being built on the UGA campus in Griffin.

UGA FoodPIC is valuable tool in state's economic development efforts

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Tucked into a corner of the University of Georgia's campus in Griffin, FoodPIC is an innovative research center that could be a key component in bringing business and industry to the state.

UGA's Food Product Innovation and Commercialization Center (FoodPIC) is already a valuable asset to Sean McMillan, UGA's Atlanta-based economic development director, when he meets with companies interested in moving to Georgia. There are only 13 similar facilities in the U.S., the closest in North Carolina and Tennessee.

"If we're competing with a state that doesn't have something like this, we have an advantage," said McMillan.

"It's an asset and we're communicating that to companies that are looking to expand their existing operations or establish a presence here."

FoodPIC, which will soon occupy a new 14,500-square-foot facility in Griffin, helps companies in developing new food products efficiently and economically. Faculty in the UGA Department of Food Science and Technology, part of the College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, initiated the center.

Among the products in development are nut milks, hot sauces and meat rubs. Faculty members are also exploring blueberry wine and carbonated yogurt, and studying the shelf life of these and other novel food

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products.

"I think of Griffin as being the next Silicon Valley, but with a food emphasis," said FoodPIC Director Kirk Kealey. "We want to develop and drive breakthrough innovations. It's a massive vision."

FoodPIC opened in 2007 in the Melton Building on UGA's Griffin Campus. In each of its first seven years, faculty members there received about 13 requests for help from outside companies. Last year, the FoodPIC fielded 68 requests that resulted in 24 propos-

als and 10 completed projects. The program also reached nearly 1,600 people through outreach at trade shows and other events. Kealey's next goal is to acquire 120 requests that lead to 15 completed projects in 2016.

McMillan says that FoodPIC gets a lot of attention from the companies he meets with regularly.

"In the area of small business and encouraging entrepreneurs in the food industry, it's definitely a great service," McMillan said. "It could be something that could sway a relocation or expansion decision to Georgia."

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Boyfriend with secret child isn't worthy of woman's trust

Dear Abby: I have been seeing "Russell" for about a year. Last March he told me he had to move in with his grandmother because "he was the only bachelor in the family who could take care of her." Stupidly, I believed him.

Not long after that, I found out he had a pregnant girlfriend. I didn't let on that I knew, and we didn't see each other for about three months because he was "busy getting promoted at work." Now I have started seeing him again, and I just can't seem to let it go.

The problem is I still haven't told Russell I know about the girlfriend and the baby. I'm not sure how to go about letting him know I know what's going on. I can't bear the thought of him walking away from me again. How should I confront him? I'm in love, confused and heartbroken at the same time. — Fool in Love in Miami

Dear F.I.L.: Try this — a full-frontal assault of plain honesty. Tell him you know he slept with another woman and got her pregnant, and that story he told you about his grandmother was pure

guano. Tell him you know he has stayed away because he preferred to be with someone else. Say that although you love him, you realize that as far as he's concerned, you're going cold turkey. THEN DO IT.

And if you haven't already, see your OB/GYN and ask to be checked for STDs now that you know the "man" you're in love with can't be trusted.

There's an adage I'll share because it applies to you: The truth will set you free.

Dear Abby: If your office or family has a \$20 limit on gift exchanges, and you find a \$20 gift on sale for \$10, is that considered a \$20 gift or a \$10 one? — Pinching Pennies in Ohio

Dear Pinching: Prices are so fluid during some of the holidays that no one really knows the true "value" of what's being purchased anymore. If there is a \$20 limit on what you're supposed to spend, it means you shouldn't spend any MORE than \$20 — and not much less than \$20. If you find something marked \$20 and

can get it for less, you are a wise shopper — not a piker.

P.S. You can also just buy a \$20 gift card and avoid the uncertainty.

Dear Abby: If a single woman is having relations with a married man, then she is known as his mistress. But what do you call a single man who is having relations with a married woman? Would he be a "mister" — or what? — Curious in Macon, GA.

Dear Curious: He could be referred to as her lover or paramour. According to the Urban Dictionary, he could also be called a "manstress." (If there is financial support involved, then he's a gigolo and she's a "sugar mama.")

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