

## **MARCH MADNESS**

This sporting event in the United States is big. There are sixty-eight teams that start playing basketball and play until almost everyone loses and the winner is undefeated in the tournament. The final four teams left in the tournament are in San Antonio by Monday, April 2, for the end of the tournament when the champs will emerge victorious. Why is it called March Madness? You can ask the Houston Cougars. They lost on the last shot of the game. They were ahead two points until the final shot, which was a three-pointer, so Houston lost by one point at the end of the game as the final seconds ticked off the clock. It is during this time we see the passion that players and fans have for a win. You never doubt they want to win.

The question is, do we have this kind of passion for God and His church? Do we see this kind of love for worshipping the Lord? Do we see this kind of concern for our fellowship with Christian friends? Do we have this kind of excitement in our work for God? March Madness will end for 2018 on April 2, 2018. We don't know when our lives will end. It could be today, or sometime later. Jesus said we don't know the day or the hour our lives will end (Mark 13:32). Therefore, our passion for God should never be lost. Leland Rodgers