

**16. There are all kinds of dangerous things in there like disinfectants & stuff which should be kept way up high, out of reach of children.** We keep everything 'way out of reach, 'way up in a cupboard near the ceiling, & there's nothing in that lower cupboard under the sink, no cleaners or anything that could harm them.

**17. Maybe the Lord let this little tiny minor non-injury hurt occur to warn you about other things & being far more careful!** We've had so little happen to us that we're inclined to get a little lackadaisical, a little lethargic & a little careless & just think, "Well, nothing ever happens, it just can't happen to us." Well, the Lord just might jerk you up & let it happen, by letting something minor happen to teach you a lesson to make sure that you don't get careless & prayerless & start letting things happen, so that God has to let something happen to teach you a lesson & the poor innocent child be the sufferer! I hope I don't have to give this kind of a lecture too soon again!

**18. Keep electrical cords out of the way, electrical connections, fans, everything out of the way of little toddlers & babies!** They're in a very dangerous stage!—Not only from falls—they can usually catch themselves pretty good, although they may get a few bumps—but from sharp corners. I think you remember how aggravated I used to be with people who made glass tables & furniture with sharp metal corners & stuff like that! It's insane! It's selfish people that apparently don't plan to have any children around.

**19. Well, I didn't intend to talk this long, but if it saves one of our children's lives or limbs or eyes or fingers or toes or whatever it may be, it'll be worth it!** Some people get a little careless in their swimming too. It only takes one little sudden dunk & for them to take a gasp at the wrong time underwater instead of above water, & you're going to have a job on your hands trying to pump that water out of their lungs in a hurry before it kills them! Swimming is dangerous & I insist on the buddy system of one adult to each child. (Good swimmers are a different case.)

**20. Now I know it's a task to have to take care of children, but that's your job & you have nothing more important to do**

**than taking care of those children!** Those children are your job & you have nothing more important to do, ever! And when they're in any kind of dangerous situation such as swimming, either you're to be there with them or make sure some responsible adult is with them that knows how to watch them every moment & not turn their back on them for a second, one adult on each child!

**21. Now is the Lord going to have to let something actually serious happen & some real hurt happen, some actual injury to get you guys sobered up & serious about those children?** What if it had been hot enough & what if she had stepped in that end of the tub & sat down right under it or something & got a bad burn before she could even move? Thank God she could jerk her hand out real quick, but if she'd have slipped & fallen under that stream of hot water, can you imagine what a job you'd have had on your hands? She could have had a burn streak all the way down her body which you'd have to be taking care of for the next two weeks to a month! I mean it!

**22. Kids can get careless & I've seen them get a little careless & I've had to scold them several times.** Davida is always jumping in where Angels fear to tread, always impulsive & impetuous & too hasty, & you've got to really cure her of that! I'd almost say for Davida that she's accident-prone! And you know why it is, don't you? Well, Alf, it's good to be quick about some things, but it's safer to be slow. You're very quick & very fast & ready to jump at a moment's notice or a look or anything, but sometimes it pays to look before you leap! But Davida leaps before she looks & she's got to be cured of that or you're going to have a serious accident on your hands! I mean it!

**23. Now is this going to be enough? Are you going to be more cautious, more prayerful, more careful with the children, not take any chances & make it impossible for accidents to happen?** Isn't that one of our mottos?: Make it impossible for an accident to happen! Don't leave anything where it could be knocked off. Don't leave anything where it could be stumbled over. Don't leave anything where it can be fallen on. Don't leave any dangerous things within reach of a child!

**24. We nearly lost David, as you recall, in Tenerife when**