## I Have an Announcement



Do you know what the jackpot is on the lottery? Usually, I

don't worry about playing until the amount of the lottery is over \$100 million dollars. Why bother? (duh) Once it hits that plateau, I begin to believe that I will be the next lottery winner. After all, why should the devil get all the money? I can just picture what I will do with the money. Its all good, of course and I can just see what a blessing I will be to the Church (new chapels for everybody!) In fact, with such good intentions, I wonder why I haven't won in the past. I wait by the phone, but the Lotto never calls me. Instead, the money goes to all kinds of people who aren't Orthodox and who end up wasting the money on frivolous things.

What's that? You have to buy a ticket to win? Is that right? Why, I thought they just picked your social security number and called you. No?

I am kidding, of course, I don't play the lotto.

Its instructive to read the reports of what happens to those who win. Its seems so odd to me that most of them end up being very miserable, and a few ended up in bankruptcy. The Lord whispers in my ear that, should I win such a sum of money, I would end up losing my soul.  $(\pi \epsilon \rho \iota \sigma \sigma \delta \tau \epsilon \rho \alpha ...)$