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Hurry Up

How many times a week does some member of the family say to another, “Hurry up, we’re going to be late again.” If you drive down the interstate highways, one thing is very obvious, most people are in a huge hurry. I believe, if the speed limit were 100 m.p.h., many would push it a little further and drive at 105 or 110 m.p.h. Stand at the entrance of almost any elevator and people will gather around the little button which already has the light on indicating it has been pressed. If the wait is very long several people will push it again to try to make the elevator come faster.

Why are we in such a hurry? Probably because we are trying to put more and more things into our day. Somehow we have been sold the idea, the more things you do and the more places you go and the more you are involved, the fuller and happier life will be. But, how many smiling faces do you see on the people who are rushing from one place to another?

Jesus had the world’s greatest mission. He came to seek and save

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the lost. His whole ministry was to last only three and a half years. Yet, there isn’t a single instance of His getting in a hurry. He walked and talked with His disciples. When one came along in need of healing or help, He had time to help them before continuing on His journey.

If there is one thing most of us could do to put more life into our years, instead of trying to put more years into our life, it would be to slow down. Don’t try to do so many things. Take the time for the most important things. Take the time to enjoy the blessings of God’s creation all about us. Take time to see the children God has placed in our care and enjoy their growing up.

How can one do that? Realize you can’t do everything! As Paul warned Timothy not to become entangled in the affairs of this life, so all of us need to be careful not to become so entangled in this world. We don’t have time to appreciate and enjoy the most important things of all. Lay your treasures up in heaven instead of this earth. It won’t take nearly as much work and concern about what is happening with it when it is in heaven. Live today! Leave tomorrow for tomorrow. Read Matthew 6:33-34 again.

—Leon Barnes
Barrow Road Church of Christ
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³³But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you. ³⁴Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day [is] the evil thereof.

—Matthew 6:33, 34

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News

—Continue to remember **Sally Marshall, Jewell Watkins and Jean Coffey.**

—**Sandy Duncan** had knee replacement surgery this past Thursday. The surgery went well and she is now recovering.

❖ A Busybody Dog

A man was driving along a road when he overtook a farmer with his dog walking beside him. The man offered them a ride. The farmer got into the front seat and put the dog in the back. After glancing at the dog who seemed too tired to even wag his tail, the driver remarked, “You must have been walking a long time from the looks of your dog.”

Laughingly the farmer said, “It wasn’t the trip that wore him out. He was running back and forth across the road, sticking his nose into every gate and wrestling with every stone wall. He had to chase every cat and scare all the chickens he saw. If a dog barked at him, he barked back ten times in return. No wonder he’s tired.”

The old farmer pushed back the hat on his head. He was silent for a moment, then said, “You know, people are like that. If they get worn out on their journey through life, it’s usually not the distance they’ve covered that makes them tired. It’s the extra work they asked for themselves by minding everybody’s business but their own.”

“... but we beseech you, brethren, that ye increase more and more; And that ye study to be quiet, and to do your own business, and to work with your own hands, as we commanded you;” (I Thessalonians 4:10b-11).

—via Northside Church of Christ, Harrison, Arkansas ❖

Sunday, August 18, 2013		
Classes	18	Acts 8:26-40
Preaching	24	II Peter 1:10-21
Contribution	\$587.00	
Evening	17	Job 7:1-21
Wednesday, August 21, 2013		
Classes	21	I Samuel 12:1-25

Visitors—
Aug 18 (AM) Rachel Layne (Priceville, KY)
Aug 18 (PM) Joanna Locke (Hardyville, KY)

Bible Quiz

The angel of the LORD told Philip to arise
and go where?

Last Week’s Answer— the sand of the sea (Job 6:3)

—Tonight we will be studying Job 8. The audio of each chapter of the Bible is on our website if you would like to listen to the chapter before our lesson. You can listen on any computer, tablet, or smartphone.

—God’s Plan of Salvation—

1. Hear the Gospel (Romans 10:14)
2. Believe on the Lord and His Word (Mark 16:16; John 8:24)
3. Repent of your sins (Luke 13:3,5; Acts 17:30)
4. Confess Christ (Matthew 10:32,33; Luke 12:8; Romans 10:9)
5. Be baptized (immersed in water) for the remission of sins (Acts 2:38; Mark 16:16; Galatians 3:27; I Peter 3:21)
6. Live a faithful, dedicated life (Revelation 2:10; II Peter 1:5-10)