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John 6:24-25, “²⁴When the people therefore saw that Jesus was not there, neither his disciples, they also took shipping, and came to Capernaum, seeking for Jesus. ²⁵And when they had found him on the other side of the sea, they said unto him, Rabbi, when camest thou hither?”

In John 6:24 the people came seeking Jesus. Where they had gone, they didn't find Him. They found Him when they went to the other side of the sea.

1. Many are searching for something but don't know what. I can't help but think how many people are looking for Jesus or simply something in life even if they don't know what they are searching for. They are looking in the wrong places. There are people who are looking for something different in life. They don't really know where to turn or what to do. These are people that know little to nothing about the Bible. They will never find the LORD unless they are led to Him. To truly find the LORD they are going to have to go “to the other side.” We are going to have to help lead them to the other side.

2. There are people who truly want to find the LORD but are serving

Him in a way that is not according to the Bible. They are worshiping in vain. Jesus said in Matthew 15:9, “*But in vain they do worship me, teaching [for] doctrines the commandments of men.*”

At the final judgement of mankind, they will tell the LORD all the wonderful works they had done in His name. Then we are told in Matthew 7:23, “*And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity.*” Not only will the LORD say He doesn't know them, but He never knew them. They can never truly know the LORD unless they find Him “on the other side.” We have to help them find this other side by showing them the truth. Many are so ingrained in what they have always done, that it's very difficult to show them the true way the Bible teaches. Still, we need to try to lead them to Jesus “on the other side.”

3. There are people who are out of the LORD but don't care and have no interest in anything spiritual whatsoever. Perhaps they don't believe in God or feel the teachings of the Bible are outdated. They have no interest in finding Jesus “on the other side.” We still need to as much as we can present the gospel and encourage these people to find Jesus. Sadly, most never will.

It's important that we continue to take the gospel to the world and expose as many as we can to it. Mark 16:15-16, “¹⁵And he said unto them, *Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.* ¹⁶*He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned.*”

Whether we go to people individually or teach via mass media, we have to let people know there is another side, and Jesus is there. No matter who or where the person is, we need to do all we can to expose them to the wonderful news of the gospel— that they can be saved eternally in Heaven.

—Marty Edwards❖

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News

—Continue to remember **Alice Thrasher, Steve Seaton, Shirley Parson, Brad Terry,** and **Denise Miller** (the sister of Sharon Franklin). **Enola Zigler**, the aunt of Mike Burd is recovering from a broken hip.

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John 12:36, “*While ye have light, believe in the light, that ye may be the children of light. These things spake Jesus, and departed, and did hide himself from them.*”

The days are already getting shorter as we head towards Fall and cooler weather. Right now the days are still long enough to get much accomplished, but soon they will be short and the lack of daylight will prevent many things from being done. You have to work while you have the light.

Likewise, we must believe and obey the LORD while we have the spiritual light. There will come a time when this light will no longer shine. There are a few different situations where we no longer will have the light and cannot believe in the light and become children of light.

1. We can die before we come to the LORD and then the light is eternally darkened. No wonder being lost eternally is called “outer darkness.” There is no light there because God is not there. There is nothing but darkness. There is no light.

2. We can lose interest and with time become so hardened to the LORD that we cannot believe in the light. When we get to this point, there is little to no hope of us believing in the light and becoming children of it.

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Sunday, July 14, 2019		
Classes	21	James 4:1-6
Preaching	31	Jeremiah 1:1-7
Contribution	\$1040.00	
Evening	8	Matthew 19:1-30
Wednesday, July 17, 2019		
Classes	19	II Chronicles 22:1-12

Visitors— Jul 17 (Wed) Clay Glass (Hiseville, KY)

Bible Quiz

Joash was hidden where for six years?

Last Week’s Answer— Incurable (II Chronicles 21:18)

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3. We could suffer a lack of mental ability as we grow older or due to an accident. At that point, we would not have the ability to believe in the light.

The days are getting shorter astronomically, but most of all they are getting shorter spiritually. Believe in the light while it still shines and while you can.

—Marty Edwards❖

—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)