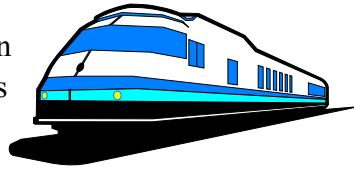


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One of the most common mistakes we make is always looking forward to something, and never truly



enjoying our present situation in life. We can hardly wait until we turn sixteen, then graduation, marriage, children, grandchildren, retirement, and so forth, until death overtakes us. We are so busy looking forward to the destination, that we miss out on the joy of the journey.

Life is a lot like a train voyage. If you sleep all the way to your destination, you're going to miss a lot of beautiful scenery along the way. Enjoy the journey, for the end will come swiftly.

—Marty Edwards❖

James 4:14, “Whereas ye know not what [shall be] on the morrow. For what [is] your life? It is even a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away.”

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What keeps a sick person going when they do not feel like continuing?

—The **hope** of recovery

What keeps an impoverished family from despair?

—The **hope** of better times

What keeps an athlete performing with great pain?

—The **hope** of victory

What keeps a student going year after year?

—The **hope** of graduation

What keeps us from despair during a storm?

—The **hope** of calm

What keeps us going when we are exhausted?

—The **hope** of rest

What keeps our fears at bay during darkness?

—The **hope** of light

What keeps gloom from overwhelming a lonesome shut-in?

—The **hope** of a visitor

What keeps us going after the death of a loved one?

—The **hope** of the resurrection

What keeps and sustains our entire being all our lives?

—The **hope** of Heaven and everlasting life



The writer of Hebrews states in Hebrews 6:18-19, “That by two immutable things, in which it was impossible for God to lie, we might have a strong consolation, who have fled for refuge to lay hold upon the hope set before us: Which hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and stedfast. . .” We probably never realize how much we utilize hope. Every day we are using hope as we go about our daily lives. Without it, there would be no reason to continue in our endeavors. It is the anchor of the soul.

Unlike the world, our hope is not based upon silver and gold, fame, or any other temporal pleasures. Our hope is in Jesus Christ. Paul wrote in I Timothy 1:1, “Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the commandment of God our Saviour, and Lord Jesus Christ, which is our hope.”

—Marty Edwards❖



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

—Tonight is our monthly singing.

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## Every Member — Very Important

In 1947 I had an accident on the farm. I was working for a man with a new one-way disc plow. It was a huge one pulled by a new W-9 International tractor. In trying to adjust the plow, I fell under it. The front half of my right foot was cut so badly that Dr. Vestal thought it would be best to remove it. My brother was with me, and he convinced the doctor not to amputate for three or four days. After three days, the doctor said it might be worth trying another three days. The bones were not set. We would do that later if it healed. It wasn't easy for the first year, using crutches and then a cane, and then a big shoe for a long time. That was thirty-eight years ago. [editor's note—this article was written in 1985.] All these years I have stood fairly straight and walked without a limp. I jog three times a week. All this is because **my brother was there** and insisted that my foot be saved until it was no longer a danger to my life.

You'll surely agree that the Body of Christ has many members who have been injured seriously. **They must not be considered lost** so long as there is the slightest hope of their salvation.

—adapted from A. W. Chism  
via Westside Church of Christ  
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Sunday, April 28, 2013		
Classes	18	Acts 1:1-14
Preaching	29	I Corinthians 12:12-29
Contribution	\$529.00	
Evening	14	Esther 1:1-22
Wednesday, May 1, 2013		
Classes	16	Judges 21:1-25

Visitors— Apr 28 (AM) Cameron Willoughby (Priceville, KY);  
Cody Ballard (Glasgow, KY); Anthony  
Candella (Cave City, KY)

## *Bible Quiz*

Ahasuerus reigned over lands from where to where?

Last Week's Answer— The books that should be written (of the other things which Jesus did) John 21:25

—If any of the young people would like to attend Bible camp at Freed-Hardeman's camp this summer, talk with Jerry Edwards. Two are going and you would probably want to go the same week. The church pays for the camp fee which is \$180 per camper.

### —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)