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The Goal of Life

The word "goal," according to *Webster*, is "something that you are trying to do or achieve." Organizations (either corporate or non-corporate) spend millions of dollars on setting a goal for each fiscal year. Colleges train and mold minds to prepare to set goals. There is an urgency that comes with our service to God and those who live around us. God sent His Son to die for our sins (John 3:16, Romans 5:8) and we have been blessed with the knowledge we need to live for Him (2 Peter 1:3). We need a goal to help keep us moving forward. However, it is hard for us to come up with one meaningful and distinct goal that we need to be putting before our minds each day. We will simply take the word "goal" and use it to help us:

Get Into The Community. Because the work of the church is outreach (Mark 16:15-16, 1 Corinthians 15:58), one of our goals will be gaining a positive presence in the community without sacrificing the integrity of the Church. Do you want to help? We will always have opportunities in the future to help (Luke 19:10).

Be Optimistic. We know that problems will arise and not all will have an easy solution. It is our goal, when these situations arise, that we will continue to look to the Bible as our guide because it gives us the answers to life (Psalm 119:105, 2 Timothy 2:15, Philippians 3:13-16). Being optimistic also means looking to the future (1 Corinthians 9:24-27) and pressing toward the goal (Philippians 3:13-14).

Be Accountable. Christians are all accountable to the standard of the word and should grow by the word of God (Matthew 4:4). As the children of God we want to be accountable to Him.

Love Each Other. As members of the Lord's church, it is our priority to love the brethren as our own (John 13:35). This is involved in preaching, counseling, personal relationships, family relationships, and in many other areas. Love is a word that is not spoken only but is an action that helps. One way to describe love is this: "by love serve one another" (Galatians 5:13).

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Goals give us purpose and direction in our lives both physically and spiritually. This means that there is something for me to do and someone for me to encourage. We are different people and live different lives together. We are all working toward the same goal: Heaven!

—Jonathan Burns

When is Jesus Coming Back?

Jesus is coming again! It could be tonight. It could be tomorrow. Many Bible passages tell us that Christ's return is imminent; that it could happen at any moment.

In fact, John tells us that this is not only the last days ... but the last hour (1 John 2:18).

And, yet nearly 2,000 years have come and gone and we are still waiting for Jesus to return. Why is this? Does that mean that somehow Jesus goofed when he promised that he would come back, soon?

Jesus was not mistaken. He understood the nature of God. The Bible tells us: "... do not forget this one thing, dear friends: With the Lord a day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like a day" (2 Peter 3:8). It might have been 2000 years for us, but for the Lord it's just been two days.

Now, the thing is, no one knows when Jesus will come back again. In fact, Jesus himself said: "No one knows about that day or hour, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father" (Matthew 24:36; Mark 13:32).

No one knows when Christ will return. No angel, no prophet, no so called "Bible Decoder," no numerologist, Not even Jesus, himself knows when this will occur. In fact, there have been many who claimed that they knew when he was coming. But each time they have been proven as false prophets.

Jesus pointed out that he is coming at a time we least expect him (Matthew 24:44). Jesus will come. But we don't know when that will happen. The Bible teaches us, "The coming of the Lord will be like a thief in the night" (1 Thessalonians 5:2).

Our responsibility is to be ready for his return!

—Larry Fitzgerald

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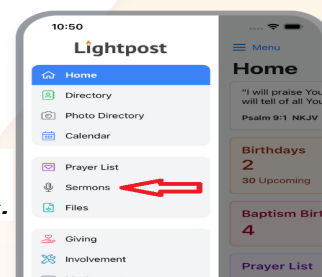


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Falling from Grace: Is It Possible?

It is called the "Once Saved, Always Saved" doctrine, the "Eternal Security of the Believer," and the "Perseverance of the Saints" doctrine. No matter what it is called, the idea is the same, namely, that a child of God cannot so sin as to be eternally lost. In other words, once one has been saved, he can never lose his salvation. This is a popular doctrine, but, of course, its popularity does not make it true. A doctrine is only true if it can be established from Scripture. So what do the Scriptures teach about this matter?

The Bible teaches that if a man does not abide in Christ, that man will be cut off and cast into the fire (John 15:6). Obviously, one first has to be "in Christ" in order to "abide" in Him. Further, one who is in Christ is saved (2 Timothy 2:10); therefore, one who is saved can be cut off and cast into the fire. The Scriptures teach that one who has believed and been baptized can later, perish (Acts 8:13, 20). It is easily established from Scripture that one can fall: "Wherefore let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall" (1 Corinthians 10:12). Why the warning if there is no danger of falling? In addition, one can fall from grace: "Christ is become of no effect unto you, whosoever of you are justified by the law; ye are fallen from grace" (Galatians 5:4). It appears these had already done what some say is impossible to do—they had fallen from grace! God's Word says that one who has "escaped the pollutions of the world" (i.e., has been saved) can so act that the latter end is worse with him than the beginning (II Peter 2:20-22). But if one can never lose his salvation, how could the latter end (after one has been saved) be worse than the beginning (before one has been saved)?

These verses and many others which could be listed all indicate that the blessing of salvation can be forfeited, if one does not remain faithful. Jesus said, "Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life" (Revelation 2:10). The faithful will be

saved eternally.

—Mark Lindley



Bible Quiz: Matthew 26:57-68

CHECK YOUR ANSWERS ON PAGE 4 !

1. Jesus was led away to Caiaphas the ____ priest.
2. The chief priests sought false testimony against Jesus to put Him to ____.
3. True or False: Jesus answered every accusation brought against Him.
4. The high priest said, "Tell us if You are the Christ, the Son of ____!"
5. They spat in His face and ____ Him.



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Brandi Beavers. Health concerns.

The Beavers Children. Health concerns.

Debbie Brooks. Slipped discs in back & UTI.

Sibbie Byrd. Nursing home. Health concerns.

Drew Clifton. Need of prayer.

Tony Cockram. Multiple health concerns.

Randy Gauldin. Recent surgery.

Gary Hollandsworth. Recovering from surgery.

Jan Hollandsworth. Recent surgery.

Matthew Hollandsworth. Health concerns.

Clayton Hylton. Prostate Cancer.

Axel Keller. Dixie's grandson. Health concerns.

Rita Lawless. Health concerns.

Karen Lovell. Recent surgery.

Paul Mays. Health concerns.

Ruby Mason. Health concerns.

Terry Mason. Health concerns.

Carol Pace. Treatment for colon cancer.

Jaydan Patrick. Special needs.

Kitty Shumate. Health concerns..

Diana Smith. Alzheimer's Disease.

Sharon Teschendorf. Nursing home. Dementia.

Thomas Turner. Young child. Cancer.

Charlotte Wyatt. Undergoing PT.

Kevin Wyatt. Health concerns.

Caregivers.

Our Country, Military & Leaders.

To have someone added to the prayer list or to have information updated, please contact Matthew or Jonathan. Names will be removed after four weeks if no updates are received. You may also submit names for our prayer list in Lightpost.



July Birthdays!

1ST	JAY MARTIN
2ND	KITTY SHUMATE
20TH	VELVET WYATT
21ST	DAVE ROBERTSON
25TH	SAMMIE BEAVERS



Men's Breakfast!

Men's Breakfast will be on July 25th! Join us at 9:00a.m. at Clarence's Steakhouse for food and fellowship.



Potluck Lunch!

We will be hosting a Pot Luck Luncheon on Sunday, July 26th following our Worship Gathering. Everyone please bring your favorite dishes and desserts to share.



Pizza/Movie Night!

Our next Pizza & Movie Night will be on Saturday, August 1st! Pizza Supper at 5:00p.m. and movie starts at 5:30 p.m.



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