

<i>In Search of</i> Truth and Right Tim Henderson, Editor		
Vol. 01 No. 12 10/22/ 2006	<i>"Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is of good repute, if there is any excellence and if anything worthy of praise, dwell on these things."</i> Phil. 4:8 (NASB-U)	A publication of the Wellsburg church of Christ

Anticipating Heaven

By Joe R. Price

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Deadlines and appointments; getting the car repaired; hanging wallpaper; balancing a check-book. These are just a few of the things I will not miss in this life. Heaven will be free of the drudgeries of life *"under the sun"* (Ecclesiastes 2:17, 20). Why should we anticipate heaven? Why should we live with hopeful eyes, patiently waiting for what we do not now see (Hebrews 11:13-16; 1 Peter 1:3-9)?

There are many Bible answers that satisfy and secure the Christian as he or she explores the reasons for looking forward to heaven. For example, one reason is the absence of sin. For every person who has obeyed Christ in faith and separated themselves from living in sin, the thought of finally being free from its incessant presence is most appealing and promising (Romans 6:1-4; 2 Corinthians 6:17-7:1). *"But there shall by no means enter it anything that defiles, or causes an abomination or a lie,"* (Revelation 21:27). Oh for the day when temptations shall end, when the trials of faith have passed, when finally and forever the presence of sin is removed. "O happy day!"

We anticipate heaven because there we will have the supreme privilege of coming into the presence of my God and Father. What glorious expectation; what unspeakable love shall that moment hold! To praise the Lamb for His soul-saving sacrifice, to extol the Spirit of God for His careful revealing and confirming of eternal truth, to magnify the Father for His constant care and keeping – these reasons drive us toward our heavenly home (Revelation 5:8-14; 14:1; 15:2-4; 19:1-10).

Heaven is our anticipation because of its restful reward. Paul envisioned the end of his fight, the finish of his course and the victory of his faith as his death approached (2 Timothy 4:6-7). With hopeful expectation he longed for the crown of righteousness that

TIMES OF SERVICES	
SUNDAY	
Bible Classes*	10:00 AM
AM Worship	10:45 AM
PM Worship	6:30 PM
WEDNESDAY	
Bible Classes*	7:00 PM
(* Bible Classes for All Ages)	
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we too shall receive (2 Timothy 4:8). Rest from our labors and the reward of the faithful; these are reasons to long for heaven (Revelation 14:13; 2:7, 10; 3:21).

Are you ready to go to the wonderful home of the soul? Jesus invites you to come (Revelation 22:17). Prepare for the joys by putting Christ first and keeping your eyes on heaven. Onward and upward (Philippians 3:13-14)!

What Do You Seek?
By Shane Williams
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"Jesus turned, and seeing them following, said to them, 'What do you seek?'"
John 1:38

How would you answer if Jesus were to ask you this question? Perhaps you would ask for better health, a higher paying job or financial security. Would you ask for a happier marriage or an explanation of some difficult passage of Scripture?

For the two disciples of John the Baptist, Jesus was the one they were seeking. One day while John was standing with these two disciples (John 1:35), Jesus walked by and John proclaimed, "***Behold, the Lamb of God!***" After these two disciples heard John say this of Jesus, they started following after Him. When Jesus saw them, He asked, "***What do you seek?***" (vs. 38).

John had been teaching his disciples about one who was coming after him. John was preaching, "***There comes One after me who is mightier than I, whose sandal strap I am not worthy to stoop down and loose***" (Mark 1:7). John's disciples were looking for this "One". When John saw Jesus and identified Him by saying "***Behold, the Lamb of God,***" these disciples did not hesitate to turn and follow Jesus.



These two disciples, in response to Jesus' question, wanted to know where He was staying. Not only did Jesus show them the place, He spent the remainder of the day with them.

I wonder how often we miss the opportunity to spend time with Jesus because we are busy seeking things of this world. The more time I spend with the Lord, the more I realize that other matters are far less important.

What do you seek? If it is the Lord, He is there to be found. He desires above all that we seek after Him.

Sentence Sermons ...

***"Train up a child in the way he should go
and go the way yourself."***

***"The reason worry kills more people than work
is that more people worry than work."***

“When you are through learning, you are through.”
“A house without the Bible is like the sky with no sun”
“Deciding not to choose Jesus is still making a choice.”
Read the Bible - It will scare the "Eternal Punishment" out of
you.
“Don't wait for six strong men to take you to church.”



Special News



Marie Roberts fell on the stairs at their home early Saturday morning and was rushed to Wheeling Hospital. It was discovered that she had a fractured arm and shattered a vertebrae.

She was transferred to Ruby Memorial (Morgantown, WV) Saturday afternoon for an operation to repair the vertebrae. As of printing, she was still in surgery (10:30 PM).

Her room number as of Saturday afternoon is 774.

Please keep Ed, Marie and all of their family in your prayers during this difficult time.

News N Notes

Sick:

- Blake Headen, Alberta's husband
- Marie Roberts is at home recovering
- Ed Roberts father
- Grace Lancaster is at home
- Remember Cindy North as she faces surgeries

Nursing Home:

- Hazel Carroll, Ethel Mahan, Pauline Sellers

Shut-ins:

- Josephine Clow, Mabel Fleming, Rhea Henthorn, Pauline Midcap
- A card, phone call or a visit can really brighten their days.

Meetings in the area:

- Oct. 30-Nov. 3—**Fly church of Christ** in New Matamoros, OH with **Morris Hafley**
- Nov. 5-10—**Elk Fork church of Christ** in Middlebourne, WV with **John Weyon**