

Preacher's Pen
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"TOMORROW"

"And Joshua said unto the people, Sanctify yourselves: for to morrow the LORD will do wonders among you.", (Joshua 3:5)

Joshua is rightly remembered for having been brave in the face of peer pressure and in the face of the people whom God had directed Israel to supplant. Boldness is available for those who rest in the Lord. Bravery is simply doing what one should do, in the first place.

Fear comes from the unknown. Fear can easily be conquered – by love. Most folks live day to day in fear of what may come from tomorrow. But, the faithfully obedient child of God "...fears none evil" (Ps 23:4) but rather "trust in the Lord" (Ps 125:1).

In Joshua 3:5 (above) we can understand that Joshua had great respect for the tomorrows. As the next leader of Israel following Moses he had a tall order to fill – conquer the Land of Canaan that was filled with mighty warriors. We recall that it was only Joshua and Caleb of the 12 spies that Moses had sent who came back with faith in God to deliver Israel out of the hand of the enemy. But, neither Moses nor Joshua would succeed alone.

God can do amazing things with people committed to Him and His righteous ways. The greatest days of accomplishment are not in the past. God keeps giving us tomorrows perhaps because there are greater things yet to be done. Never, never treat tomorrow lightly.

Let's make the most of every day. Whatever our age, God is leaving us here and giving us new, fresh tomorrows for some reason. It's criminal to squander a single day.

I have read of the spirit of J.C. Penny. When he was 95, he said, "My eyesight may be getting weaker, but my vision is increasing."

We Christians, above all others, have much to look forward to and much to be thankful for. We should be planning our schedules in such a way as to MAKE time for displaying God. We should be planning our tomorrows to include sharing our faith with someone. In short, we should be living our tomorrows AND our todays as if it is our last - it might be...

In Christian Love and Service,
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