

"And if Christ is in you, the body is dead because of sin, but the Spirit is life because of righteousness." (Rom. 8:10)

A boy while flying a kite was so successful that the kite went out of sight. He stood in the field with a cord in his hand that bent upwards into the sky. Someone asked him how he knew the kite was there, and he let them put their hand on the string. They could feel the pull of the unseen kite. Similarly, although the world cannot visibly see Christ in us, they can recognize His invisible power in every phase of our lives. They are forced to admit that we, as Christians, have something which they do not possess. Let us truly have Christ, the hope of glory, within us.

"...Let us run with patience the race that is set before us..." (Heb. 12:1)

The setting was a cold January morning in a little town in Wisconsin, on the southern shore of Lake Superior. It happened to be the Saturday when they had their annual dog sled derby on the ice. A one-mile course had been staked out by sticking little fir trees in the ice. The whole course was easily visible because of the steep slope of the shore. It was a youngsters' meet and the contenders ranged all the way from large boys with several dogs and big sleds to one little fellow who didn't seem over five with a little sled and one small dog. They took off at the signal and the little fellow with his one dog was quickly outdistanced—he was hardly in the race. All went well with the rest until, about halfway around, the team that was second started to pass the team then in the lead. They came too close and the dogs got in a fight. As each team came up the dogs joined the fight. None seemed to be able to steer clear of it. Soon, from our position about a half mile away, there was just one big black seething mass of kids and sleds and dogs. None but the little fellow with his one dog managed to stay clear, and was the only one to finish the race. As I reflect on the many vexing problems and the stresses of our times that complicate their solutions, this simple scene from long ago comes vividly to mind, and I draw the obvious moral: No matter how difficult the challenge or how impossible or hopeless the task may seem, if you are reasonably sure of your course, just keep on going! (James S. Hewett, Illustrations Unlimited, Tyndale House Publishers, 1988, p. 159) Let us continue patiently and steadily in our course toward eternal life.

Bible Questions

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Repent Luke 13:3

Confess Romans 10:9-10,

Baptism Acts 2:38,

Remain Faithful

Revelation 2:10

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Everyone is welcome to attend.



Service Times

Sunday Morning Bible Study 10:00AM

Sunday Morning Worship 11:00 AM

Wednesday Evening Bible Study 6:00 PM

Aim Small, Miss Small

by Greg Gwin

Jordan Spieth has made a name for himself in the world of professional golf. He's won titles at 'major' tour events and several other tournaments. He's certainly among the 'elites' in the field. So, what is the key to his success? He follows this philosophy on the golf course -- "Aim small, miss small." He explains it this way: "The smaller the target that you can pick, the smaller your misses are going to be." Thus, instead of just aiming for the fairway in general, Spieth aims for a specific branch on a tree. He usually ends up where he wants to be - or very close to it. He breaks down every hole into its component parts, and then solves each of those parts in turn. The value of such an approach is obvious in the success Spieth has achieved. Christians can benefit from a similar methodology when it comes to serving God. There are some huge challenges out there. The world is full of lost people, the moral climate is deteriorating, temptations are multiplying, and discouragements seem to be mounting. What can we do? The answer is: pick a small target, take aim, and shoot for it. What do we mean? Well, instead of thinking of ALL the lost in the world – most of which we will never have the opportunity to personally reach – think of your neighbor, your co-worker, your near relative. Aim to reach these with the gospel. Rather than taking wide, random shots at converting the lost, try reaching out to someone you already know and have a relationship with. This is a proven strategy that will work. Or, in regards to dealing with temptation, try simple and obvious things that are sure to succeed. Turn of the TV, limit access to the Internet, etc. Take small achievable steps towards the greater objective. Or as Jordan Spieth says, "Aim small, miss small."