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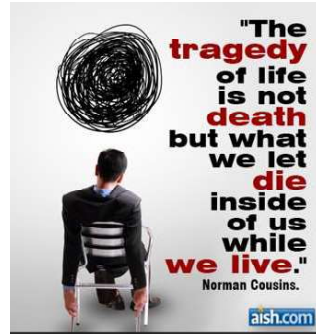
## Quotes

"To be a person of truth, be swayed neither by approval nor disapproval. Work at not needing approval from anyone and you will be free to be who you really are."  
 ~ ~ **Rebbe Nachman of Breslov**

"By trying, you may fail others. By not, you fail yourself." ~ ~ **Unknown**



"When you are grateful - when you can see what you have - you unlock blessings to flow in your life." ~ ~ **Suze Orman**



"Too often, our knowledge gets in the way of our understanding."  
 ~ ~ **Rabbi Shraga Silverstein**

"Truth is the 'light' by which to find your way out of darkness. Turn it on."  
 ~ ~ **Rebbe Nachman of Breslov**

## Living Waters



**Eph:2:19:** Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellowcitizens with the saints, and of the household of God

**Eph:2:20:** And are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone;

## Editor's Corner

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# The Vine

"I am the Vine, you are the branches: He that abides in me, and I in him, the same brings forth much fruit: for without me you can do nothing." **John 15:5**

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## To Be or Not

(It's not a question)

### Are We? or WE ARE!

Sent In By John Brown

1 Cor 12:12 For as the body is one, and hath many members, and all the members of that one body, being many, are one body: so also is Christ.

1 Cor 12:13 For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body, whether we be Jews or Gentiles, whether we be bond



or free; and have been all made to drink into one Spirit.

1 Cor 12:14 For the body is not one member, but many.

1 Cor 12:15 If the foot shall say, Because I am not the hand, I am not of the body; is it therefore not of the body?

1 Cor 12:16 And if the ear shall say, Because I am not the eye, I am not of the body; is it therefore not of the body?

1 Cor 12:17 If the whole body were an eye, where were the hearing? If the whole were hearing, where were the smelling?

1 Cor 12:18 But now hath God set the members every one of them in the body, as it hath pleased him.

1 Cor 12:19 And if they were all one member, where were the body?

1 Cor 12:20 **But now are they many members, yet but one body.**

## Upcoming Events

- Bible Studies, Letters and other Events...see Weekly Bulletin and Bulletin Board.



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To Be Or Not (cont.)

1 Cor 12:21 And the eye cannot say unto the hand, I have no need of thee: nor again the head to the feet, I have no need of you.

1 Cor 12:22 Nay, much more those members of the body, which seem to be more feeble, are necessary:

1 Cor 12:23 And those *members* of the body, which we think to be less honourable, upon these we bestow more abundant honour; and our uncomely *parts* have more abundant comeliness.

1 Cor 12:24 For our comely *parts* have no need: but God hath tempered the body together, having given more abundant honour to that *part* which lacked:

1 Cor 12:25 That there should be no schism in the body; but *that the members should have the same care one for another.*

1 Cor 12:26 *And whether one member suffer, all the members suffer with it; or one member be honoured, all the members rejoice with it.*

1 Cor 12:27 *Now ye are the body of Christ, and members in particular.*

### Giving Thanks

Have you ever thought of giving thanks to God for WHO YOU ARE? We thank Him for answered prayer, for helping us, for what He will do for us as promised in His Word. But what about now? We, in our fragile

and finite mortal bodies... complete with sickness, failures, inadequacies, and faults.

**“How can I thank Him for that?”** you may wonder. If we were made perfect and remained that way, we would not really know what it is to be “saved” from ourselves, would we? In our current fallen condition, we are in a state of longing for an ultimate state of being. Our suffering enables, even forces, us to see beyond our suffering.

Within our current state of being, we can see that God is magnificent in perfection; merciful, powerful, creative, beautiful, omnipotent, loving, kind, and possessive of us. He LOVES us even within our condition. He has plans for us; an inheritance in His eternal existence.

**Who do we think we are?** If only we could be fully aware of what He has in store for us, and the extent of His being. It is our inadequate ability to see Him for who He really is, that brings us to our knees, wanting, asking, praying for His will to be done on earth as it is done in Heaven. For even if we cannot see the picture of truth as clearly as we would like, we still know it is there. And so, we continue on. His strength, which was given to us through Christ, and his faith, is the only thing which keeps us going.

*Are you thanking Him yet?*

**By Sharon Mills**



### What WasThe Point

### Of Jesus Coming

### To Earth ?

Rom 10:4 For Christ *is* the (1)*end of the law for righteousness to everyone that believeth.*

(1)G5056 ôâiëïö

From a primary word ôâiëëü telloï (to *set out* for a definite point or *goal*); properly the point aimed at as a *limit*, that is, (by implication) the *conclusion* of an act or state (*termination* [literally, figuratively or indefinitely], *result* [immediate, ultimate or prophetic], *purpose*); specifically an *impost* or *levy* (as *paid*): - + continual, custom, end (-ing), finally, uttermost. Compare G5411.

Rom 10:5 For Moses describeth the (2) *righteousness which is of the law, That the man which doeth those things shall live by them.*

(2)G1343 äëëäëiöïç

From G1342; *equity* (of character or act); specifically (Christian) *justification*: - righteousness.

Mat 5:17-19 17 Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: *I am not come to destroy, but to (3)fulfil.* 18 For verily I say unto you, *Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law,* till all

be fulfilled. 19 Whosoever therefore shall break one of these least commandments, and shall teach men so, he shall be called the least in the kingdom of heaven [by those that are there]: *but whosoever shall do and teach them, the same shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven.*

(3)G4137 öëçñiüü

From G4134; to *make replete*, that is, (literally) to *cram* (a net), *level up* (a hollow), or (figuratively) to *furnish* (or *imbue, diffuse, influence, satisfy, execute* (an office), *finish* (a period or task), *verify* (or *coincide* with a prediction), etc.: - accomplish, X after, (be) complete, end, expire, fill (up), *fulfil, (be, make) full (come), fully preach, perfect, supply.*

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