

ONE OF THESE DAYS...

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One of the most popular days on people's calendar is "someday." Another phrase I've heard many times in my life is "one of these days" I intend to do such and such. We have made an art out of procrastination. Let us address a few things that people intend to do something about-one of these days.

Obey the gospel. Discussing with those outside the body of Christ their need to obey the gospel many times they tell me - one of these days. Many people recognize the need to obey, know they have to, but for some reason they keep putting it off. "For He says: in an acceptable time I have heard you, and in the day of salvation I have helped you. Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation." (2 Corinthians 6:2) Nobody knows what the morrow may hold and the longer we put it off the easier it becomes to do so.

Be more faithful. "Therefore, to him who knows to do good and does not do it, to him it is sin." (James 4:17) Brethren know they need to attend better and keep intending to do better- one of these days. What will it take to make you keep this commitment? Our desire to serve God faithfully must be made when we become His child. It has been rightfully stated "some have just enough religion to make themselves miserable." Lack of attendance is a symptom of a deeper heart problem.

Come Back to the Lord. Some have fallen away after they obey the gospel. They understand and know their need to return and they are going to do so - one of these days. What did Peter tell Simon to do when he was confronted with his sin? "Repent therefore of this your wickedness, and pray God if perhaps the thought of your heart may be forgiven you. For I see that you are poisoned by bitterness and bound by iniquity." (Acts 8:22,23) It needs to be done immediately!

Are you still saying-one of these days? Dear friend, there is a danger in waiting – what if you wait too long and time runs out or the Lord returns? Why take the risk? ***