- Series: The Company You Keep...
- Part 2. "Fellow Travelers."
- John Staiger
- Morningside Church of Christ
- Sunday 23 January 2022
- AM Sermon
- Broadcast live from 42 Leslie Ave, Auckland, Aotearoa/NZ.

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• 2021 in Space

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2026 Plans to land a crew on Mars

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2050 Wants to have a colony on the Red Planet

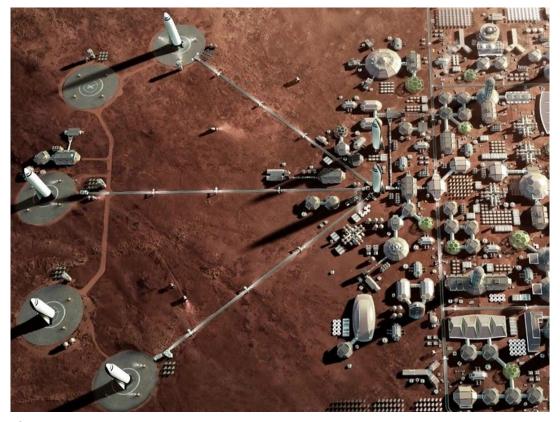
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Good news...he wants to launch 15 missions per day

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Who are you going with?

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Who can you be in close quarters with for 8 months?

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• What thoughts will you give to your "Fellow Travelers?"

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• Do you enjoy your "space...?"

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Do you enjoy your "space...freedom...?"

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• Do you enjoy your "space...freedom...privacy?"

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 All great adventures require the sacrifice of the "normal."

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• As the poet said,

"Its got to be the going, not the getting there that's good."

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- Who am I doing this with?
- What choices do I have...?

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  - Fellow travellers you can't always choose...

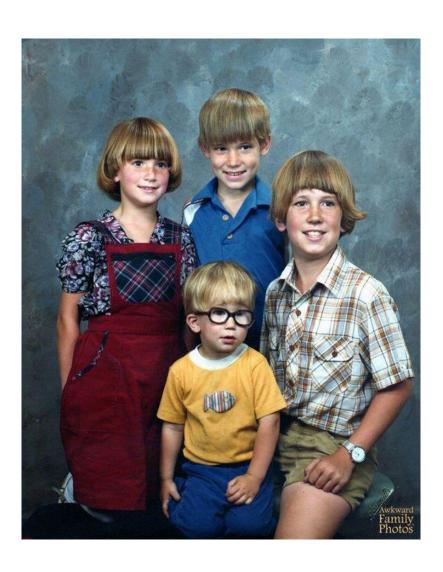


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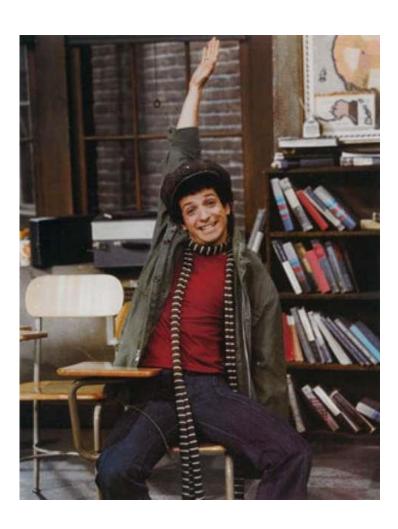
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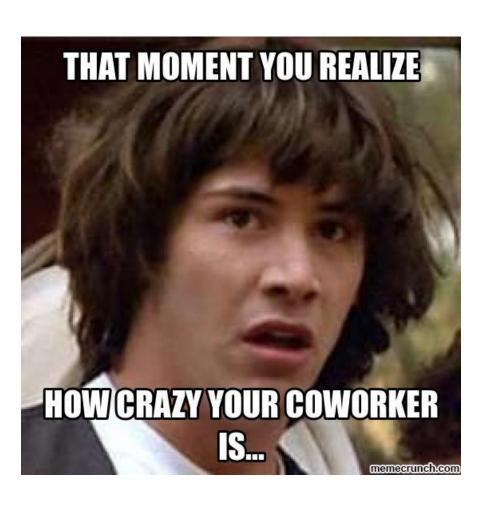
- Unless you're a hermit.
- Family

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- Unless you're a hermit
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- School

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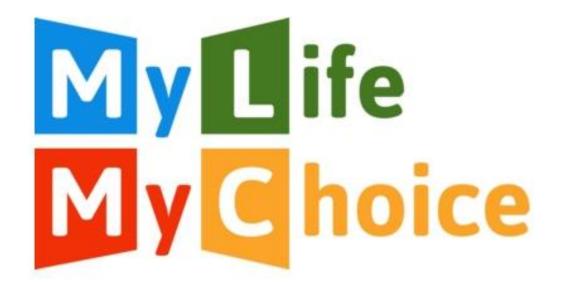
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- The devil wants a seat

• Those You Might Want to Choose...

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Talented

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- Talented
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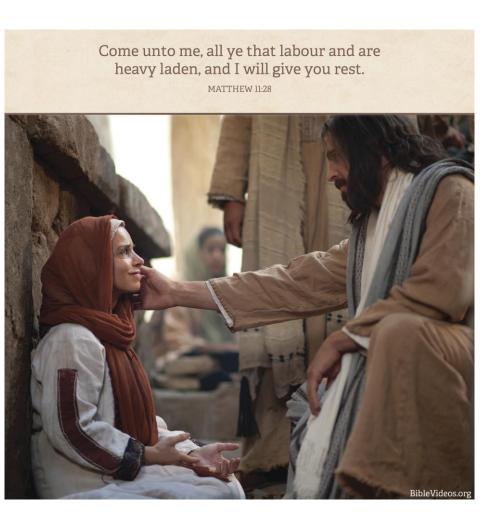
• Those You Must Choose...

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THEN JESUS AGAIN SPOKE TO THEM, SAYING, "I AM THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD; HE WHO FOLLOWS ME WILL NOT WALK IN THE DARKNESS, BUT WILL HAVE THE LIGHT OF LIFE." JOHN 8:12

Jesus

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- Bring your needs and your heart's desires

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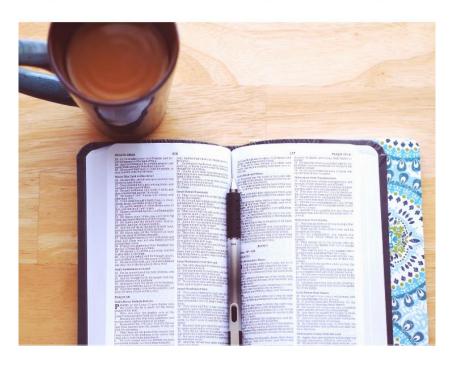


- Jesus
- Bring your needs and your heart's desires
- Proverbs 21:21—
- <sup>21</sup>He who pursues righteousness and loyalty Finds life, righteousness and honour.

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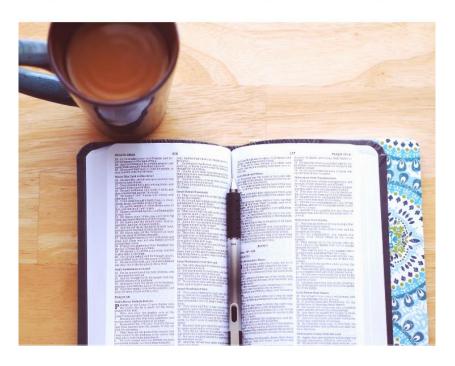
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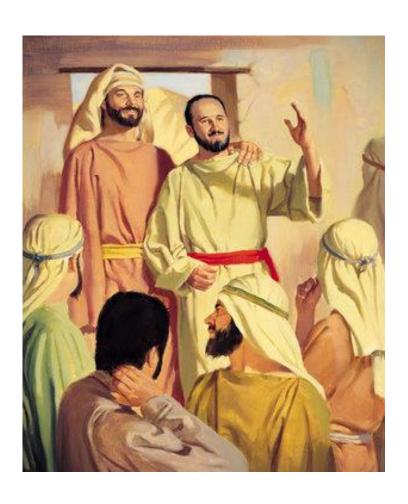
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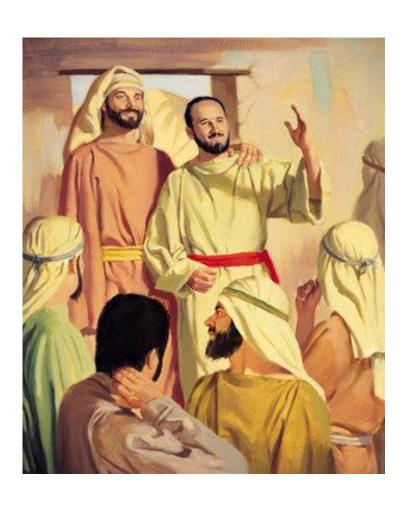
- The Faithful
- 1 Thessalonians 3:6—
- But now that Timothy has come to us from you, and has brought us good news of your faith and love, and that you always think kindly of us, longing to see us just as we also long to see you,

- The Company You Keep—Part 3. "Fellow Travelers."
  - Those You Must Choose...



• Hard workers...

- The Company You Keep—Part 3. "Fellow Travelers."
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- Hard workers
- Acts 20:35—
- 35 In everything I showed you that by working hard in this manner you must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, that He Himself said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'

• The Company You Keep—Part 3. "Fellow Travelers."

• Those You Must Choose...



• Finishers...

- The Company You Keep—Part 3. "Fellow Travelers."
  - Those You Must Choose...



Finishers

- Hebrews 3:6—
- 6but Christ was faithful as a Son over His house—whose house we are, if we hold fast our confidence and the boast of our hope firm until the end.

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• The Lost...

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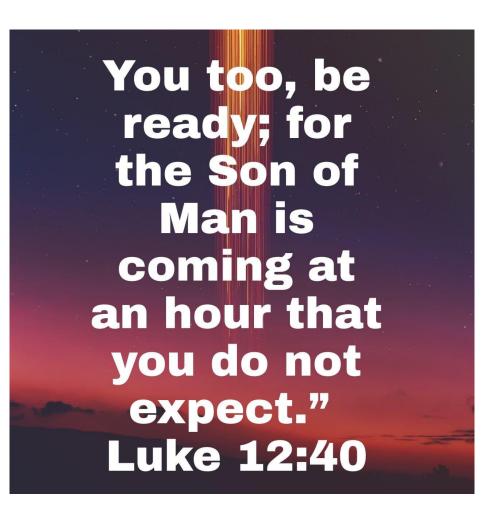
The Lost

- Mark 16:15—
- <sup>15</sup>And He said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation. <sup>16</sup> He who has believed and has been baptized shall be saved; but he who has disbelieved shall be condemned.

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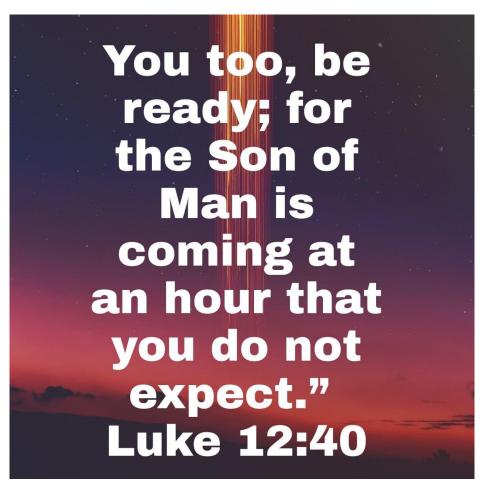


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You too, be ready; for the Son of Man is coming at an hour that you do not expect." **Luke 12:40** 

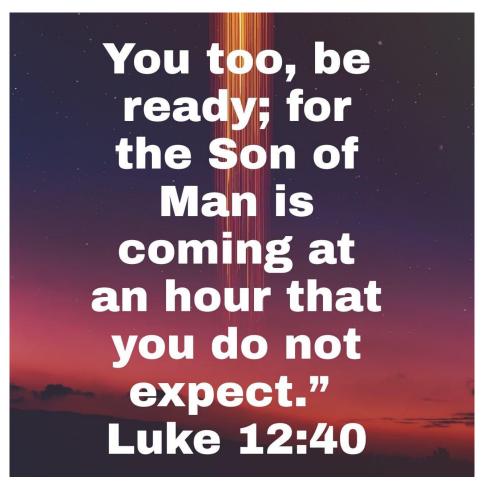
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- He said, "I am with you always." (Mt.20:20)

- The Company You Keep—Part 2. "Good Company."
  - Finally...

## Your Company Determines Your Character

