

# Journey Enews

**Weekly E-News**  
**March 19<sup>th</sup> 2019**

**Dates to Remember:**  
Tuesday Night's Men's Group will resume with our book "Everybody Always" by Bob Goff March 19<sup>th</sup>, starting at 7 PM @ Starbucks in Georgetown.

Join us this weekend at Journey as we continue our series "Audacity"  
Saturday @ 6 PM  
Sunday @ 10:30 AM

JSM will be continuing their series called "Mastermind" this weekend!

Interested in joining a small group? Ask Bobby, Bryan, or our Elders about J-Groups!

We are in need of volunteers/teachers in our Kid Connect rooms. If you are interested, see Bryan!

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## Cameras Everywhere

One of the longest running weekly TV shows in America, "America's Funniest Home Video," debuted in 1990. Several hosts have come and gone during the show's tenure. The weekly spectacle features amateur videos that are submitted by ordinary people like you and me. The incidents and mishaps often involve pets and children and slapstick humor. Hoping to win cash prizes, many viewers are committed to sharing their unintentionally painful experiences.

Cameras are everywhere these days. They may catch our worst or our best moments. Policemen and first-responders have body cams to record tense moments filled with danger and potential controversy. Cities use cameras on traffic light poles to capture speeding red-light runners. Home owners use cameras on their doorbells to discourage potential trouble-makers up to no good.

More and more of our lives are being recorded and uploaded for public scrutiny. Privacy has become a hot topic among the rich and famous who often try to insulate themselves from negative criticism. Everyone is more aware that almost everyone has a camera in their hand so you'd better be on your best behavior.

The unpleasant truth about all of us is that some days we're not who we say we are. Some days our behavior just doesn't match up with our words. It reminds me of what the apostle Paul said in the Bible about his own struggle with consistency. "15 I don't really understand myself, for I want to do what is right, but I don't do it. Instead, I do what I hate." Romans 7:15 NLT

What is it with people? You would think we might learn, sooner or later. Even when we know the cameras are always rolling, we can't help ourselves some of the time. We are messy with words and actions, even on our best days. What is anyone to do with our sometimes bizarre, contradictory actions? We need help!

Thank goodness the Bible makes it clear that it's not over. The Paul concluded his quest for more consistency with the following remark. You may find it comforting today in your own experiences; I know I do:

"24b Who will free me from this life that is dominated by sin and death? 25a Thank God! The answer is in Jesus Christ our Lord." Romans 7:24a-25b NLT

Because of Easter, Jesus is taking our sin, failure, fall and punishment. In its place we receive His gift of grace, mercy and forgiveness. Tell your friends that Easter really matters. When they ask why, ask them if they've ever had moments they are glad no one captured on video.

Let them know that God has it all; like surveillance tapes of everything. Then give away the Jesus blessing to every poor stranger or friend you find. Let them know that because people matter most, God chose to erase those tapes, forever.

That's why Easter matters. Remind others that even when the cameras are rolling God love us more.

Moving forward  
God is Good

*Bobby D.*

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