The Greatest Procrastinators in History

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They are having too much fun and they know being a Christian will "cramp their style." They don't want to face the criticism of husband, wife, children, family, or friends for leaving the family denomination. There is no threat of danger, just family opposition, or the "embarrassment" of the changes they would have to make. If you are not a Christian, don't put it off any longer. Don't be afraid. Don't be ashamed. Stand up and be counted. Take a stand for Jesus today.

- 1. **Regular Bible study and prayer.** Now is the time to start doing what you know you should be doing in the area of prayer and Bible study. Our lives get so filled with daily activities; work, cooking, cleaning, the children, lawn care, car care, responsibilities to children or grandchildren. The list goes on and on, doesn't it? I could list many passages which emphasize the value of God's word, the importance of prayer, the example of the prayer life of our Lord as well as other great men of faith like David, Daniel, and Nehemiah. But you know the passages. Let's stop procrastinating and begin a regular time of Bible study and prayer in our lives. Take the time. Force it into the schedule. Let's do better!
- 2. **Others.** Levi and I were talking the other day about the song "Others" (#92 in our books). It is a great song, and we need to be singing it more often. The chorus says, "Others, Lord, yes others, let this my motto be. Help me to live for others, that I may live like thee." How often do we think of others, only to fail to follow-up. "I really need to go visit sister _____." But then we get busy and fail to do it. Let's stop putting it off. Get out the church directory and make a list of those that need your attention, and then get busy seeing to their needs.

A group of old friends decided to start a procrastinator's self-help group to help one another overcome their bad habits. But no one ever got around to calling a meeting.

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