

We read the words of Martha to Jesus in John 11:21, “Lord, if only you had been here, my brother would not have died” (NLT). Life is so full of “if only’s”. If only has a strong sense of regret attached to it. There is a great danger of people living in the past with some “if only” instead of finding strength in the here and now. “If only” mourns the past without looking to the future.



We have all said *if only* some time in our life. However, some people get bound by their *if only*. They use them as excuses not to try or not to go forward in their life. Many times this spirit of defeat is subconscious. There is an overwhelming feeling of failure and loss with no way of escaping these emotions.

There is an answer to these life-limiting, faith-strangling feelings of hopelessness in the words of Jesus back to Martha. In verse 25 he states, “I am the resurrection and the life. Anyone who believes in me will live, even after dying.” **I AM** instead of “if only”. *If only* looks back with regret, I am is in the present tense. No matter how defeating your “if only” is, the realization that God is here now, present tense, means that victory is possible right now. Even in a seemingly impossible situation, God can turn it all around. Lazarus had been dead for days; Can’t get any more difficult than that. Jesus performed the miracle. God received all the glory. The sisters received the miracle and realized that God is the God of hope now. He is the God of the present and is not moved by what happened in the past. May we all get the revelation that is, “**I AM**”.

~ Pastor Jay Jethro

The law of the LORD is perfect...



More to be desired are they than gold, yea, than much fine gold: sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb.

Psalms 19:10

Welcome Home to Westwood Hills!

Today is March 15, 2009.

We are located at:

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Welcome to the Westwood Hills Church of God!

God is moving in our Church and changing lives through the power of the Word and the Holy Spirit and my desire is for you to experience it for yourself. At Westwood Hills, you can always count on being loved and having the opportunity to worship and praise the Lord, because at Westwood Hills, it's always ALL ABOUT HIM!

E. Bob Kuschel, Ph.D.
Senior Pastor



Last Sunday's Giving

Guatemala	200.00
Missions Williams	20.00
Children's Ministry	18.76
Debt Reduction	50.00
Youth Ministries	9.00
Youth Ranch	10.00
Women's Ministries	15.00
Missions Fund	22.00
Benevolence Fund	10.00
General Fund	347.79
Tithes	2034.00
Total.....	2736.55

15 families brought their tithes to Westwood Hills last week.

Church "Matters"

Our church will sponsor an Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 11th at 10:00 am. The Easter Bunny will be here for a photo shoot and free photos of the event will be available to all who participate. Lots of candy, hotdogs and hamburgers will be the order of the day. **WANT TO HELP?** You can help by donating plastic eggs and candy to fill the eggs. Bring your donations to the church as soon as possible.

Please Keep In Prayer:

Pastor Kuschel & Family

Gloria Broglia

Jim Windham

Gloria Brown

Mary Windham

Juanita Fillyaw

Naisa Jourdan

Olive Garden

Howard Brower (Surgery March 8)

Frances Jethro

Ann Clay

Waymon Miller

Mitch Davis



Happy Birthday

Corissa Reid 3/17

Mary Rochelle 3/19

Dawn Ankney 3/20

Priscilla Spence 3/20

Kim Caton 3/21

Jamie Hodges 3/21

Gillian Sleeman 3/29



God Is So Good To Me

Verse of the Week: 1 John 3:18

My little children, let us not love in word, neither in tongue; but in deed and in truth.