



# The Weekly Jog

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**“The New Plymouth Church Family Experiencing and Sharing the Transforming Power of Jesus.”**

## WHAT'S MISSING IN YOUR LIFE?

Have you stopped to ponder, "Is this all there is to my life?" There has to be more than the 9-to-5 grind. If you win the rat race, the problem is you're just the best rat.

Is something missing in your life? Do you feel that the more stuff you get, the more you feel a void of satisfaction in your life? Some of us keep buying things we don't really need with money we don't have to impress people we don't like!

Are you climbing the ladder of success only to discover its leaning against the wrong wall? The mighty ruler Charlemagne was buried with an open Bible on his chest. His bony finger was pointed to Matthew 16:26 - "What profit is it to a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul? Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul?" Are you merely making a living or making a life? Where are you on your journey to eternity?

You have a forever living spirit made in God's spiritual "image" (Genesis 1:27). All is for nothing unless our soul is prepared to meet God on our journey to eternity. So, have you been thinking you need a closer relationship with God?

**Watch this space for the second part next issue. 'The ancient playboy who suffered burnout.'**

## Bits and Pieces:

Brethren, a huge thank you to the congregation for the wonderful gift that we were able to give to support Brother James Cammock as he leaves to go to Southwest School of Biblical Studies for two years. This young man is so worthy of our support and may God bless him as he devotes his time over the next two years to the study of the Word. If there are any who wish to continue to support James please let me know and I will give you his bank account number that has been set up for this purpose.

A special thank you to Jesse and Lisa for the work put into the adult mid winter dinner. All those who attended had a great time of fellowship and fun. Such times of fellowship are so precious, thank you one and all.

Please keep in your prayers the many that have flu and virus infections and other sicknesses. Especially pray for Sister Lila who had a night in hospital with her heart and asthma. Some mentioned dropping a meal around for her, what a great thing that would be. Give her a call before going.

Please remember Venna and myself in your prayers. We are travelling to Auckland and will be away till Thursday.

## God's Jewelry- box; are you in it?

**Some of the most valuable possessions within a household are found in the jewelry box. A person may have more invested in the items found in their jewelry box than in anything else in the entire house. We love, treasure and carefully protect our jewels.**

**In Malachi 3:17, God looked down through time to those who would one day be in His church and called them, "My jewels." The New American Standard translates that as "My own possession." The phrase literally means "special treasure." The same terminology is used in the New Testament to show that God's prophecy had come true—those in His church were called "His own special people" (1 Pet. 2:9; Titus 2:14). God's most valuable possessions, His jewels, are found within His church. In order to purchase His church, He invested the precious life of His Son. God loves, treasures and carefully protects His jewels. No wonder Jesus said, "The kingdom of heaven is like treasure..."**