

FOR SAFETY'S SAKE...GO TO CHURCH!

“Do not ride in automobiles: they cause 20% of all fatal accidents... do not stay home: 17% of all accidents occur in the home...do not walk on the street or sidewalks: 14% of all accidents occur to pedestrians...do not travel by air, rail, or water: 16% of all accidents happen on public transportation or water... only .001% of all deaths occur in worship services in church, and these are related to previous physical disorders...hence the safest place for you to be at all times is at church! Bible study is safe too. The percentage there is even less. Come to church!

IT COULD SAVE YOUR LIFE!

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Some days I feel that I am riding on a roller coaster that is going so fast it is hard to breathe, to get my bearings, and I'm thinking, “If it doesn't stop soon, someone below me is going to be covered in unwanted ‘waste’, as my stomach is rumbling fast and furious!” I find myself screaming inside, “Stop this ride and let me off!”

Then I remember that I can pull the lever and stop the crazy ride. That as I submit myself to the Lord and resist the enemy, he will flee from me and my peace will return. I can step off this roller coaster onto steady ground at any time. It is my choice! Too often the enemy tries to steal our peace, our joy; we lose our rest in the Lord and we panic. I remind myself that I need to take time to look at the world through the Lord's eyes and reflect on His goodness; not look at the circumstances that helped put me on the roller coaster in the first place.

When the days become hectic and full, it is easy to allow God to be pushed aside. We need to protect our time with the Lord and give Him top priority. If we will keep close to the Lord, he will sustain us and give us strength in tough and stretching times. He will give us wise guidance and will help us arrange our days and help us mature as we begin to think less of self, and more of those around us. Often as we turn our attention to the needs of others, our needs get met through Him. Without God, we can never hope to be our best. He is our Hope in every situation.

PRAYER: Oh Lord, convict my heart with determination to spend time with You. Let nothing come between us. When things demand my time, remind me that You will help me sort them out and that I will be able to accomplish what needs to be done as You give me direction for each day. Let my ears be open to hear Your voice and my eyes to see what You would show me. I am yours Father, You will keep me in all my ways as I guard my time with you. Amen!