

"LIFE THROUGH THE LENS"



LOOK WHERE YOU ARE GOING

As I climbed onto the tractor attached to the plough, I remember the boss saying, "Now remember! Look where you're going, and don't go where you're looking!" Of course, as a teenager full of wisdom, the natural thought pattern was probably, "Yeah! What! You think I'm dumb or something?" Round and round I went – no problems then, "Wonder what that is over there? I hadn't noticed that before". A few moments later, looking over my shoulders, I saw a strip of unploughed ground. "Hmm. Perhaps the boss knew what he was talking about."

My boss's advice is probably even more relevant today than it was to me and the tractor.

Yet today, even with all the modern technology of mobile phone map apps, GPS gadgets, etc., there is a constant outcry of "society doesn't seem to know where it is going!" "It's like the blind leading the blind!" "We are all heading toward a cliff!"

Could it be that we have generally taken our eyes off the one person who does know "The way" and publicly said, "I am the way, the truth and the life; no one comes to the Father except through me. That person was Jesus, and he said that I can not only show you but also introduce you to the one who, in love, can help you find your way through life. **(John 14:16)**

Have you ever noticed that pictures of tightrope walkers always show the walker looking forward? They don't look up or down or at the scenery. They don't become distracted.

We are coming to the end of the footy season, and we constantly see players openly seeking and playing according to the coach's instructions, believing it is the way to win the prize.

Some educated men asked Jesus, "What is the most important thing God wants from us?" Jesus replied, " 'Love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, and mind.' This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbour as yourself.' **(Matthew 22:37)** Jesus in love advises us to "Keep your focus on these things as you work your way through life, and I will help and support you if you will only talk to me, and listen to me."

We are so easily distracted. We let our focus wander. Ask Jesus to help you: "Look where you are going, not go where you are tempted to look".

Enjoy your week as you walk it in the love of God.

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