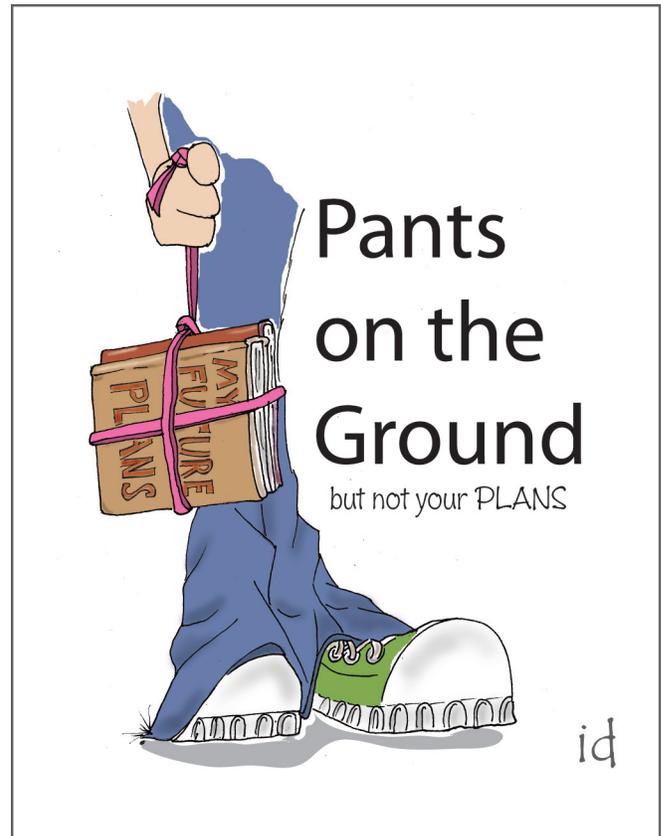


Keep your feet on the ground, but lift your faith and heart to the Lord Jesus Christ and entrust yourself to Him.



What are your plans? Most of us have High Hopes. There is nothing wrong with that. There are some people who say “If you want it bad enough, if you believe in yourself and work hard, you can do anything you set your mind to.” That’s called Positive Thinking. Positive Thinking is better than Negative Thinking, but I am afraid that is not good enough.

There was a man in the Bible who had great plans. Business was so good that he planned to tear down his old barns and build new and “larger” ones. The Bible says that God called him a fool. He was a fool for two reasons. 1) His plans were not big enough and 2) He left God out of his plans. Beside that, God knew that it was the man’s last day on earth. He was going to die that night.

The truth is God has plans for you. Everyone was made “on purpose,” and “for a purpose.”

A person who leaves God out of their plans is very foolish. The formula for the greatest and best life is also found in the Bible. “With God, nothing is

impossible” (Lk.1:37). Notice it does not say, “nothing is impossible.” It says “with God” nothing is impossible. Leave God out and you leave out the most important element.

The Bible explains how Adam managed to lose the most important thing in the Garden of Eden. Because man sinned he became “lost” and on his own. From that moment on, man was without God in the world (Eph.2:12).

But wait, God has plans. God’s plan involves sending His Son, Jesus Christ to be our Savior from sin. He would live the only perfect life in absolute harmony and agreement with the Father and then offer up Himself as a payment for the penalty of sin and purchase a place for us with God forever. Believing in yourself won’t save you. The Bible says you must believe in Jesus. That’s God’s plan for you.

“For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believes in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.” (Jn 3:16).