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Intentions Won't Get It!

Some of the proverbial expressions not found in the Bible are nonetheless true. Truth will always plumb with all other truth; it cannot contradict itself. Take the expression "the road to hell is paved with good intentions." That's not found in the Scriptures, but it's nonetheless true. Nobody really wants to go to hell; and everybody I know of intends to do something to preclude making that trip. But when? Ah, that's the question.

PEOPLE
WITH GOOD INTENTIONS
MAKE PROMISES
BUT
PEOPLE WITH
GOOD CHARACTER
KEEP THEM!

Intention without follow-through is profitless. No matter how firm they are, they are still just intentions and serve no useful purpose until they are actuated.

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"I intend to be more diligent." When? Right away?

Diligence is necessary to progress in spiritual living. You can't sit around and become spiritual. Furthermore, diligence doesn't come by some process of osmosis—just because you are in close proximity to a Bible or to those who believe it and are involved in it. Diligence is personal—a personal, willful action. You decide to be diligent.

In **2 Timothy 2:15**, Paul says, "Give diligence to present yourself approved to God." The English word translated diligence is from a Latin word which means to give earnest persistence to a matter. The Greek word for diligence means both an earnest zeal and a burning haste to get a matter done. *Continued on page 2*

