## Pastor's Weekly Devotional- November 6, 2014

## "Hanging In There"

I recently read a tongue-in-cheek speech to graduating seniors. It was entitled: "Reasons NOT to Get A Job." Some of the reasons mentioned were:

- Your social life will be in shambles because you will have to get out of bed early.
- A job will prevent you from getting up late.
- If you get a job, you will have to go to work.
- Your "freebies" will be over at home. You will have to pay rent.

Commitment implies courage to "hang-in-there" against all odds. In every sphere of life, commitment is an indispensible ingredient. For instance:

- In <u>marriage</u>, commitment is necessary for a successful marriage. There will be times of disagreements and "heated" arguments but a committed person will <u>not</u> look for seemingly "greener pastures" but will "hang-in-there."
- At your <u>place of employment</u>, what do you do if you have a mean and demanding boss? What do you do if something unkind is said to you? Do you just quit? No...you simply "hang-in-there."
- At church, what do you do if someone hurts you intentionally or unintentionally? What do you do if something is said that you dislike? Get mad? Gossip about it? Or quit the church? A committed person will "hang-in-there" because there needs to be an awareness that <u>perfection</u> is not found at home, at work or in the church but only in Jesus Christ.

Disagreements are part of life in everything we do. But God can give us the grace and strength to "hang-in-there" and be a committed person.

Have a blessed week! See you in church Sunday! Pastor Sewdin