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POSSIBILITIES:

1. It is not likely that all of you will be living twenty-five years from now.
 1. Alcohol-drugs; wars among nations; wrecks diseases will cut down some.
2. Some of you will be married living in happy homes: a happy family.
3. Some will have made shipwreck of marriage winding up in the divorce court several times.
4. The Edgewater Beach Hotel Meeting in Chicago in 1925.
 1. Ten of the wealthiest men of the world were in this meeting.
 2. They made their plans to control the finances of the world.
 3. Twenty-five later most of these men were dead:
 1. Some took their own lives.
 2. Nearly all of them were broke insolvent.
 3. One of them, Albert Fall, had been released from prison so that he might die at his home in El Paso, Texas.

WHAT HAPPENED TO ALL THESE PEOPLE?

1. Their direction in life was wrong.

TO BE SUCCESSFUL WE MUST GET THE RIGHT DIRECTION AND STAY IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION.

1. GUIDE NEEDED:

1. The teachings of Jesus furnish right directions.
 1. 1 John 1:7 "If we walk in the light..."
2:6 "He that saith he abideth in him ought himself also to walk, even as he walked."

2. HEAVEN IS THE GOAL:

1. Paul, "pressed toward the mark (goal) for for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus." Ehil. 3:14

WHERE WILL YOU BE...WHAT WILL YOU BE TWENTY-FIVE YEARS FROM NOW CONTINUED:

QUALITIES NEEDED IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION:

1. FORGIVENESS:

1. Matthew 6:12, 15

2. LOVING PEOPLE:

1. Not just your friends...your enemies too.

1. Matthew 5:43,44.

3. SERVING PEOPLE:

1. Mark 9:33-35

THINGS THAT WILL HINDER:

1. YOUR COMPANIONSHIP

1. Proverbs 13:20; He that walketh with wise men shall be wise: but a companion of fools shall be destroyed.

2. Proverbs 28:7; Whoso keepeth the law is a wise son: but he that is a companion of riotouse men shameth his father.

2. YOURSELF:

1. Proverbs 16:32; He that is slow to anger is better than the mighty and he that ruleth his own spirit better than the mighty.

2. Proverbs 25:28; He that hath no rule over his own spirit is like a city that is broken down, and without walls.

3. TEMPTATIONS:

1. The devil is always after us..! "Walking about as a roaring lion seeking whom he may devour." 1 Peter 5:8

2. We are tempted to fill our lives merely with the good things. These are not always the best things. Example:

1. Icecream, cookies, candies, sodawater are good but not necessarily the best.

4. INDECISION:

1. "yes" or "no" constantly pull at us.

2. We must have the courage to say "yes" to the right and "no" to the wrong.