



NEW HEART BEAT DEVOTIONS

“When our life ends, it will be a surprise, but it does not have to be an ending with a surprise.”

Death Road

On April 30, 2014, I got up in the morning not feeling well. My blood pressure was low and my blood sugar was high. I thought if I could just get to work and rest a little, it would pass. After two hours, my blood pressure and rate continue to drop and my blood sugar was dangerously high. I asked my co-worker to take me home. Once home my wife called the ambulance, just as a precaution.

While in the ambulance, the EMT found that I was in total heart block. He told the driver to step on it. He radioed the hospital to be ready. They had the paddles on me just in-case. They could not believe that I was still conscious and even telling jokes with almost no pulse. At the hospital, they ripped my clothes off and rushed me in the operating room within minutes. When my wife arrived, they told her that I could not be found. They then shocked her by saying that I was having heart surgery. They placed a temporary pacemaker into my chest to keep me alive. They then upgraded it to a specialized one which just arrived in York and was FDA approved just weeks before. (I think just for me.)

That day, on that road, could have been my last. If my wife would of drive me in, it would have been my death road. I truly believed that I was minutes away from no longer living and I did not have a chance to say good bye to my family and friends. But I was at peace and even making those around me laugh. I know I was ready to meet my Maker and I know where I would spend eternity. But the Lord said “not yet” and kept me here.

We may not be on Death Row. We may not currently have a life threatening issue. However, the day we were born, we all started speeding down that Death Road. Each day, it gets a little closer. For most when it ends, it will be a surprise. But it does not have to be an ending with a surprise. With the correct heart transplant before, we can have peace that it will be heaven.

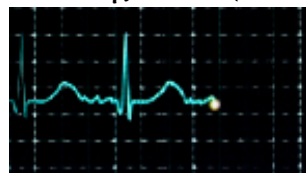
“It is appointed unto man once to die but after this the Judgment.” Heb 9:27

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“Which H are you speeding towards Heaven or Hell?”



April 30, 2014, my H was just the hospital, this time.

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