



NEW HEART BEAT DEVOTIONS

Tried By Fire

Several years ago, my sister in-law had a disastrous house fire. Her family lost all their furniture, clothes, personal items, home school records, and their pets. They had been away, so there was no loss of human life. By the time they arrived at the scene, the entire structure was gone. With no insurance, it was really a total loss. But for some reason, a fireman was able to remove one unburned old chest filled with fine linens.

Someday, the money we have saved will be divided, the stuff we have collected will go to someone else, and the things we did on earth will fade into history. It is said that we came into this world with nothing and we leave with nothing. But, this is not necessarily true.

At the final judgment, all our works will be tried by fire. The things we did for self will burn like hay, wood and stubble. The things we did for Christ will be refined like gold, silver and precious stones. What will we have after the fire?

*"...the fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is.
If any man's work abide which he hath built thereupon,
he shall receive a reward." I Cor 3:13, 14*

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