

Building for the Future

A man in Vermont once was invited to join a friend for a ride through the timberland in their area. His friend, a lumberjack, drove him up Mt. Cushman in a jeep.

Near the top of the mountain, he noticed some six-inch deciduous seedlings that had obviously been planted by someone.

The man asked his friend when the seedlings would be ready to harvest for lumber, and the lumberjack replied, "In the year 2070."

Noting that this was some 60 years into the future and that his friend was well into middle age, he asked his friend why he had planted the trees, since he would never see the harvest.

The lumberjack replied, "Because my grandfather planted some on the other side of the mountain for me."

Building for a successful future always requires:

- F – faith that God will help you in your endeavor.
- U – unction to get started and stay motivated.
- T – thoughtful planning.
- U – undying persistence.
- R – reliance upon help from others.
- E – endurance through tough times.



When we focus on God's plan for the future, we make the right decisions today.

– Beecher Hunter