



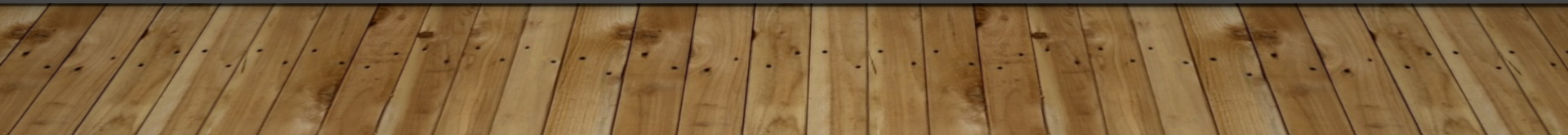
SPIRITUAL DEMENTIA WHEN THE PIECES ARE MISSING

2 Corinthians 5:1-7 ESV

(1) For we know that if the tent that is our earthly home is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

(2) For in this tent we groan, longing to put on our heavenly dwelling,

(3) if indeed by putting it on we may not be found naked.



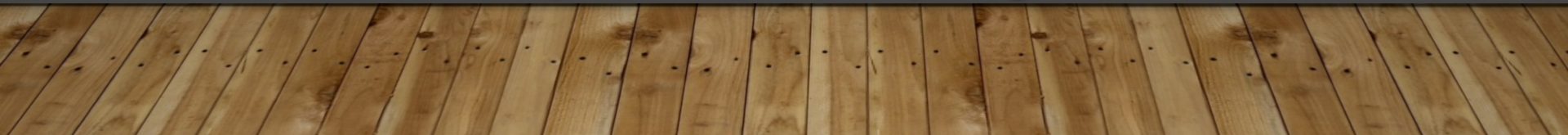
2 Corinthians 5:1-7 ESV

(4) For while we are still in this tent, we groan, being burdened--not that we would be unclothed, but that we would be further clothed, so that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life.

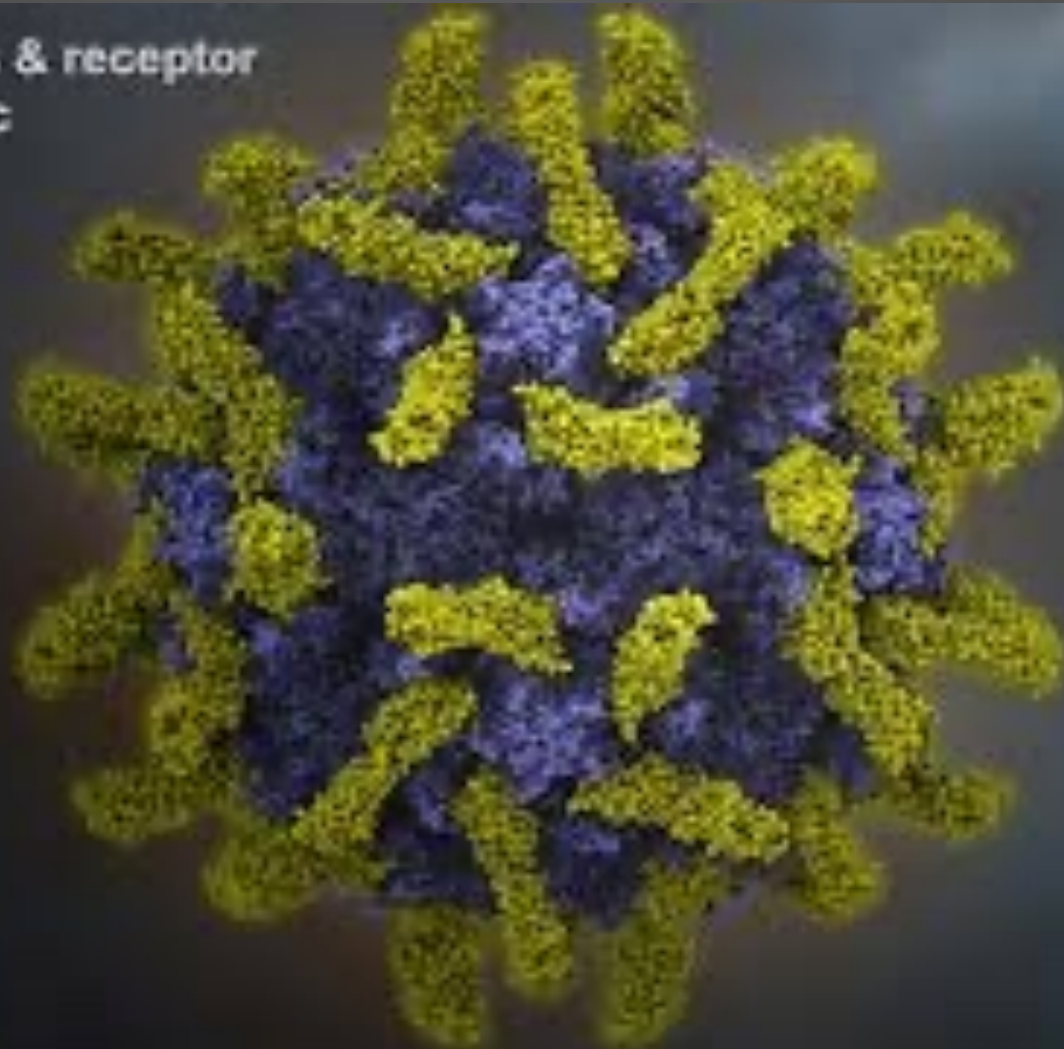
(5) He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who has given us the Spirit as a guarantee.

(6) So we are always of good courage. We know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord,

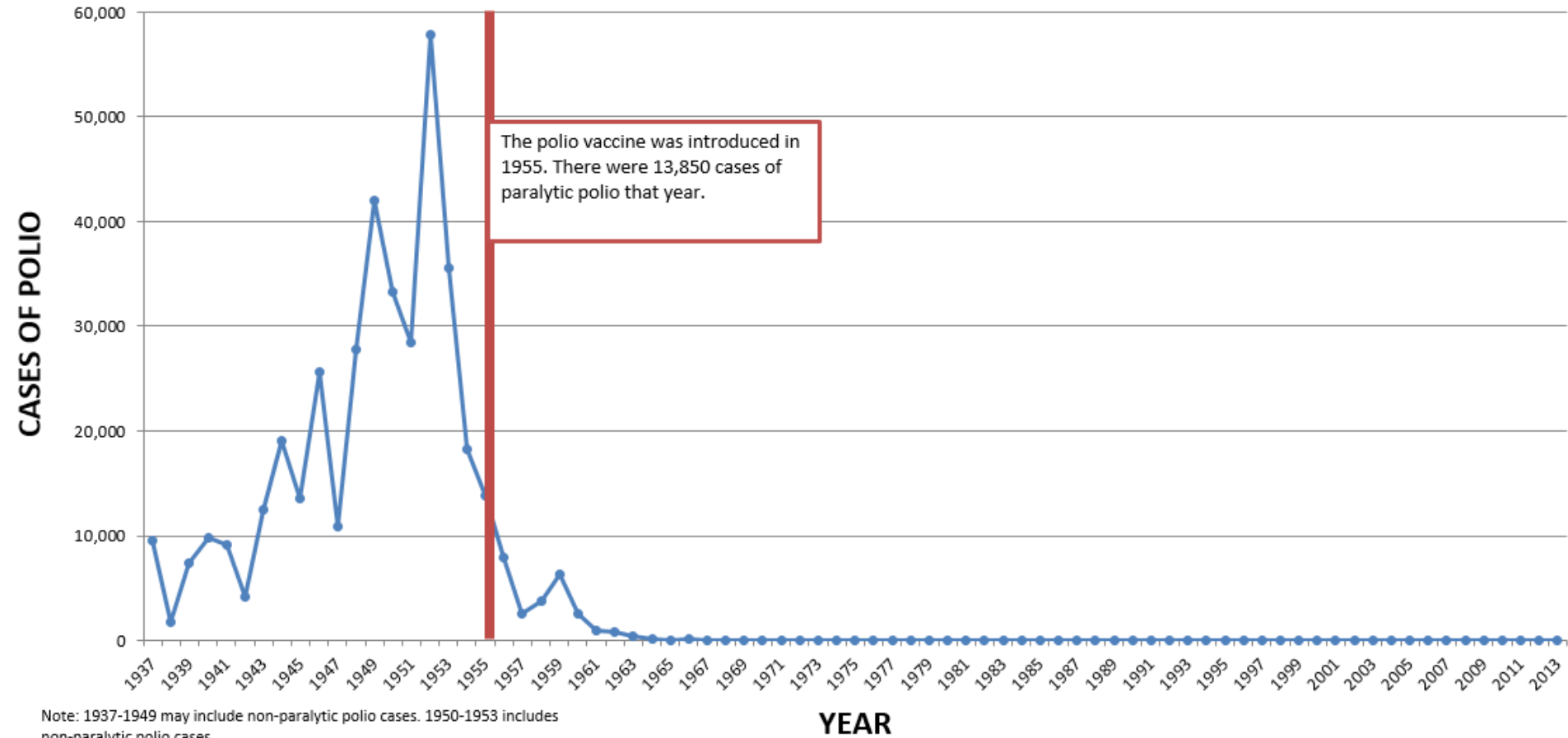
(7) for we walk by faith, not by sight.

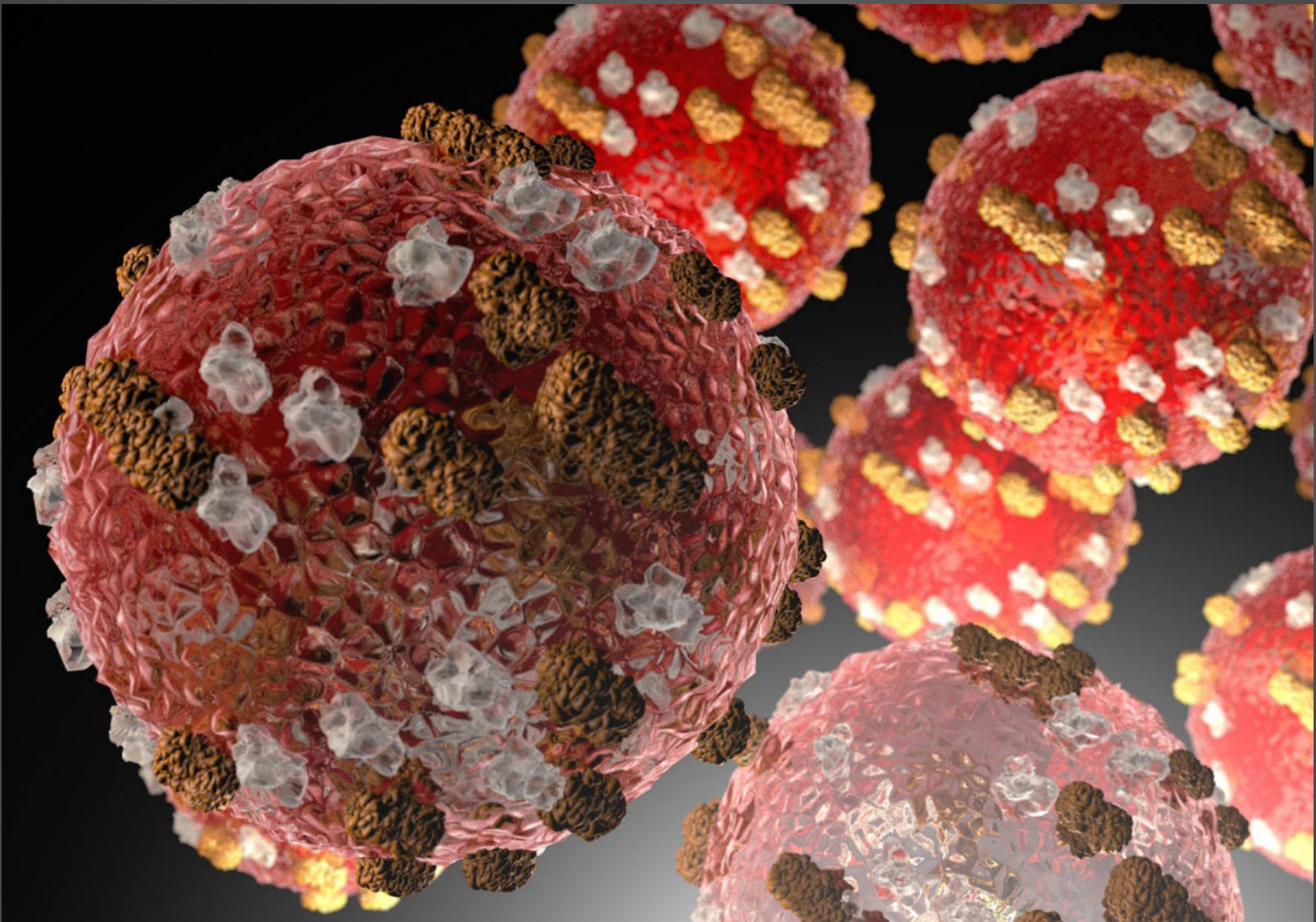


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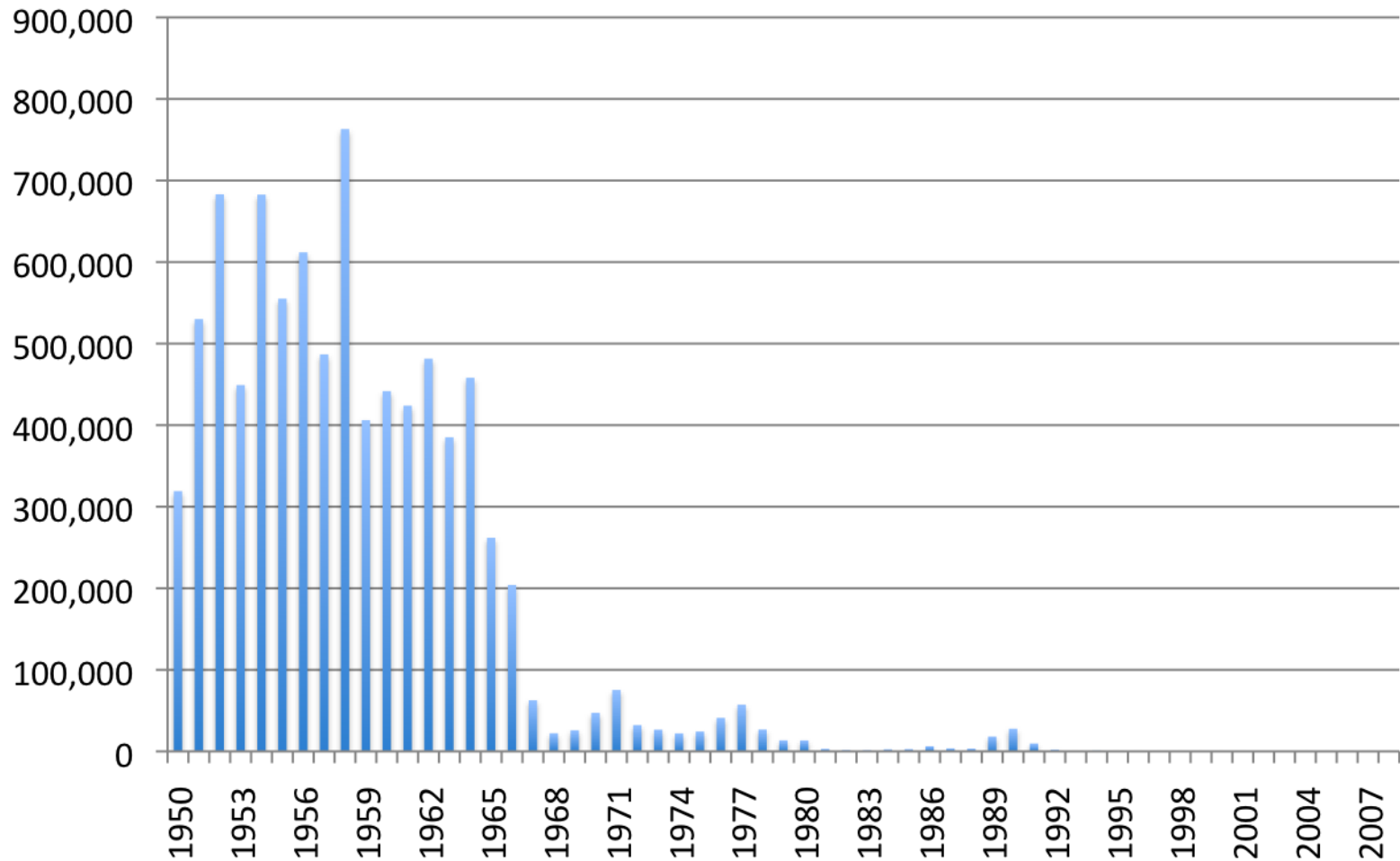
Polio Cases 1937-2013



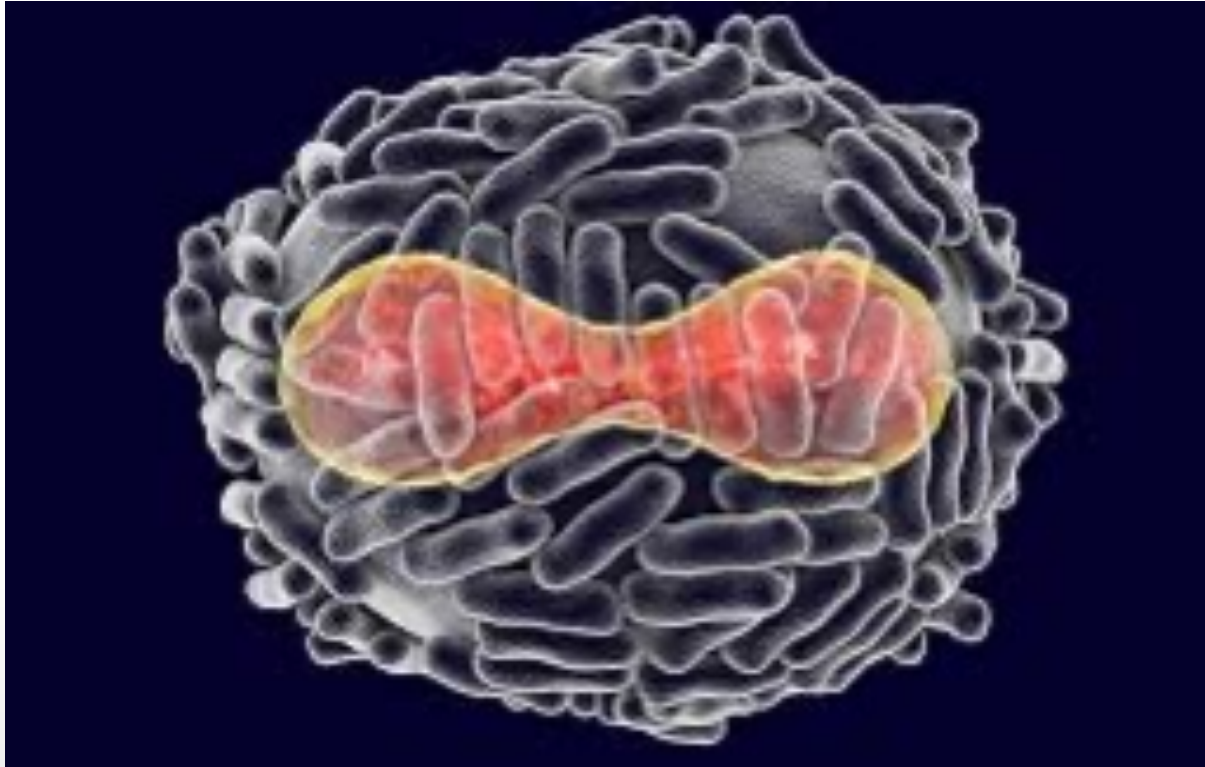


Measles Molecule

Measles cases in the USA

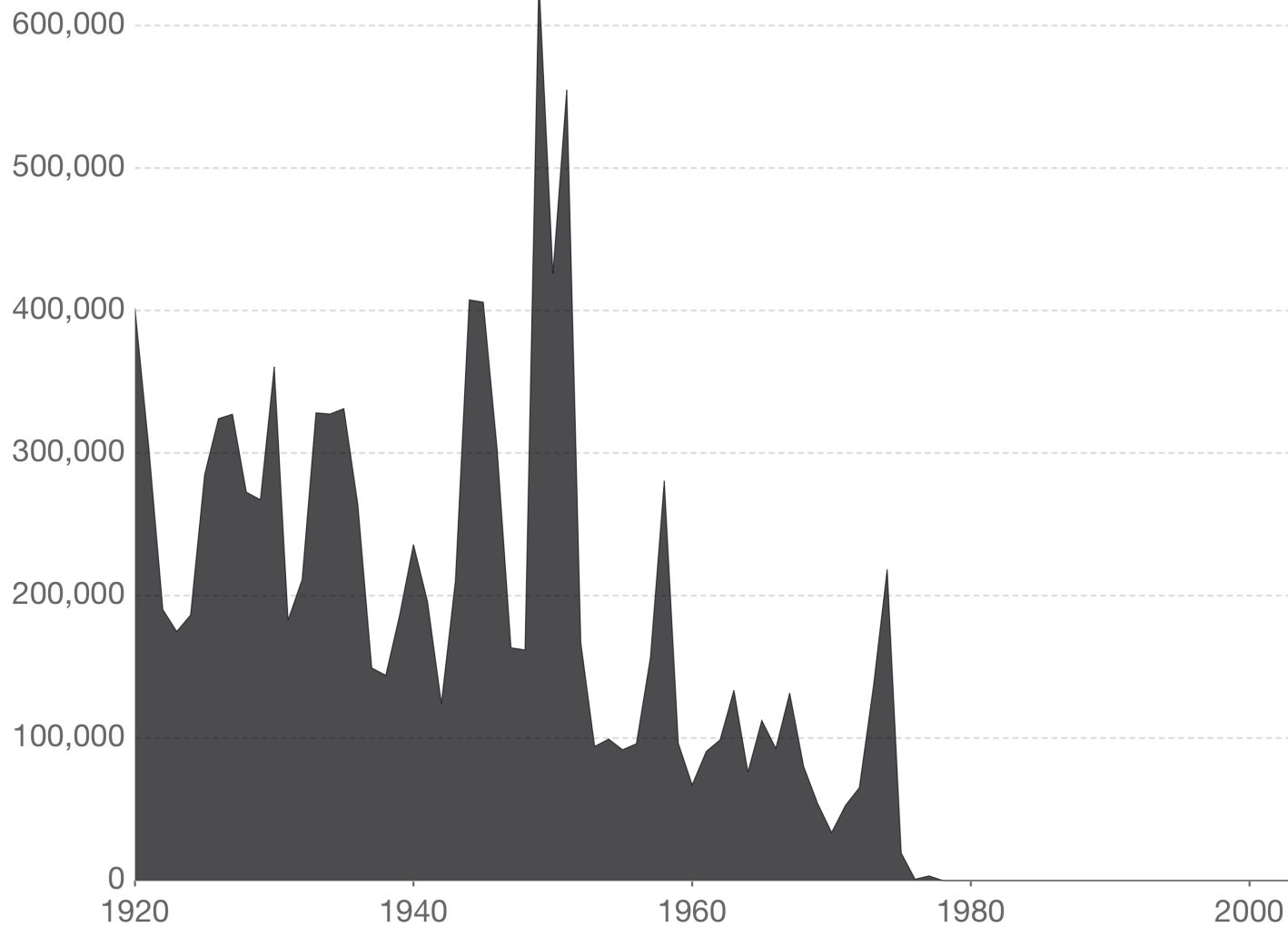


Measles

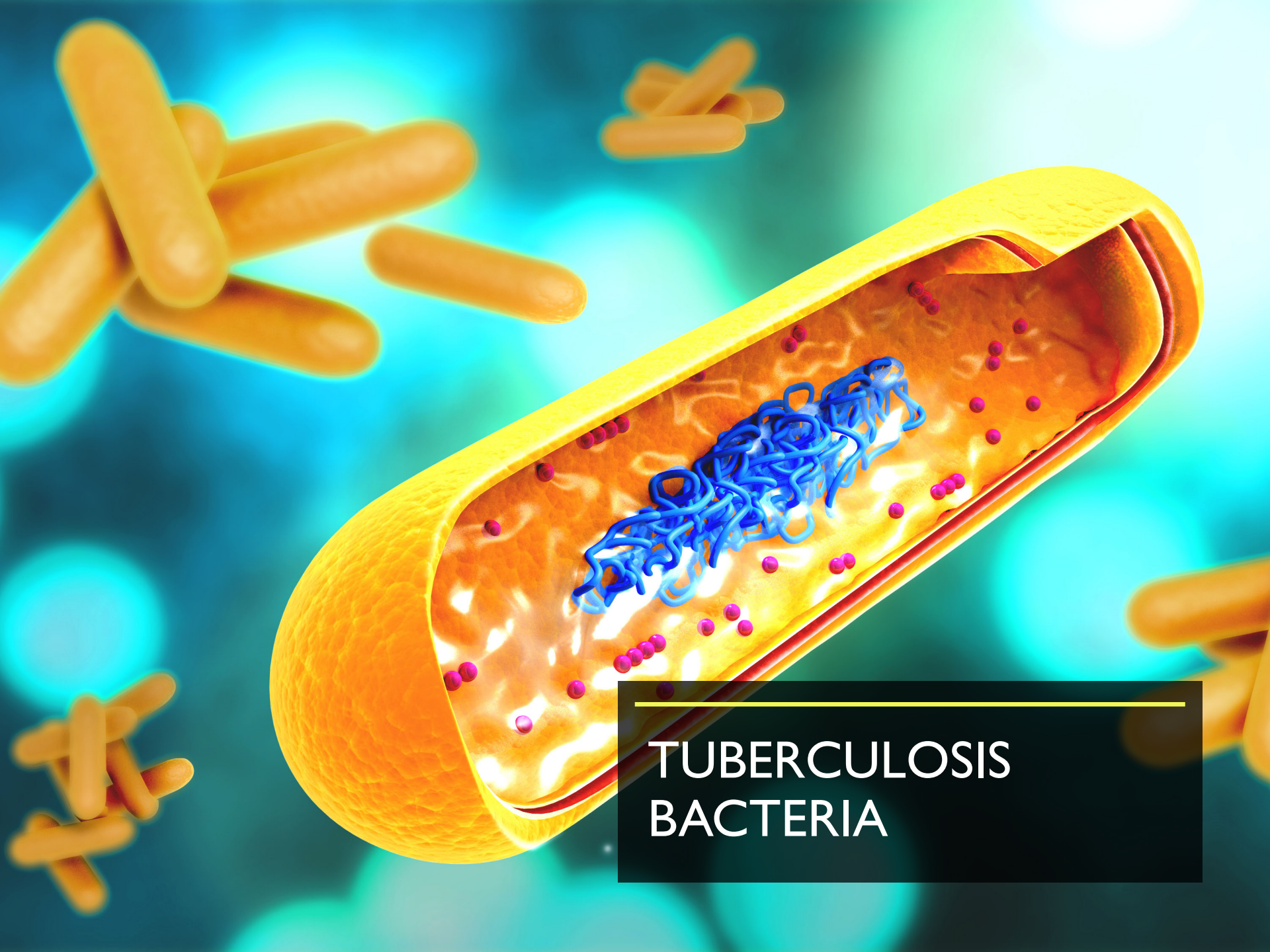


Smallpox Molecule

Global number of reported smallpox cases

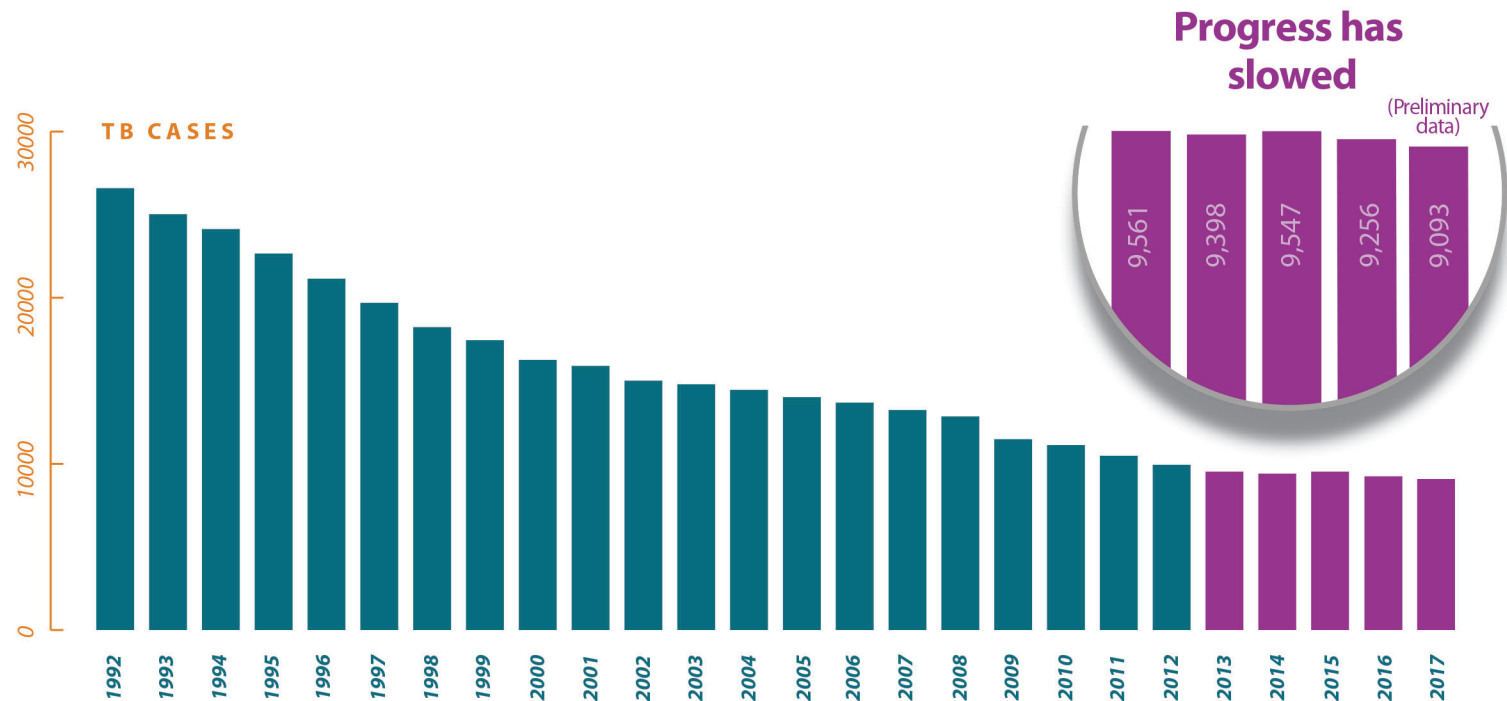


Source: World Health Organization (2011)



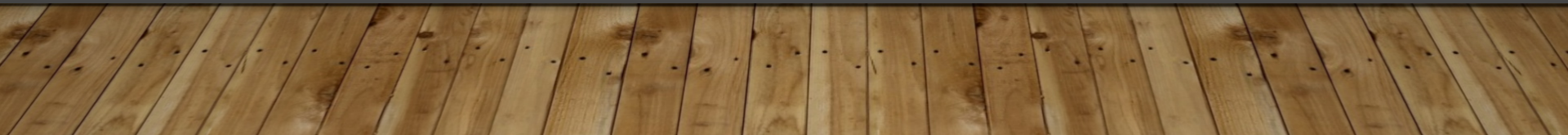
TUBERCULOSIS
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Trends in TB Cases, 1992-2017



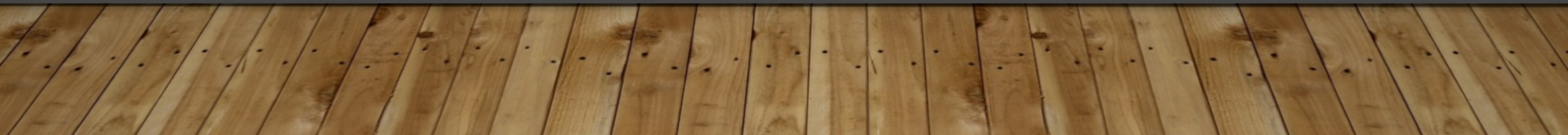
Source: U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

“The result of spiritual dementia, like its neurological counterpart, includes disorientation about finding happiness, great fear and, interestingly, bursts of anger. Hmm, this seems to capture the spirit of many hearts in our day and age. People have short fuses; fear is prevalent and there is a hopeless groping for meaning. Maybe the Psalmist is offering the remedy, right here, right now: Remember, “forget not” all his kindnesses!”



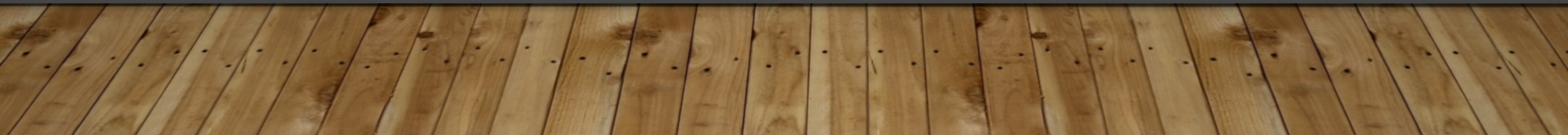
What We Know!

1. Paul is reminding the Corinthians no matter what happens to these earthly tents, in translation house or abode that is temporary.
2. Changes from house/tent to a building or structure of God.
3. Not a temporary house made with hands.
4. A building or structure created by God that is eternal.



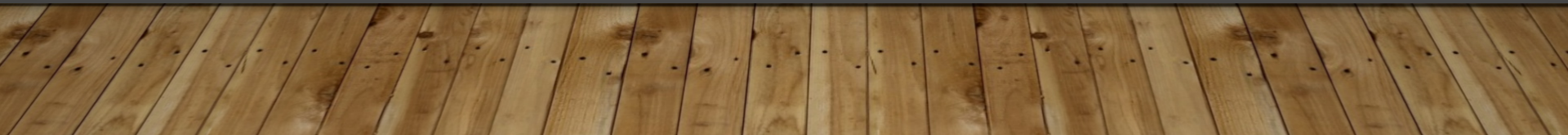
What We Have Forgotten

- (1) Scholars state Verse 2 states: namely, that we long to have our 'house in the heavens.' "We groan" under the body's weaknesses and mortality.
- (2) Verse 3, F.B. Meyer states, "How good it would be if our physical body could be suddenly transmuted into the glorified ethereal body which should be like the resurrection body of our Lord!"



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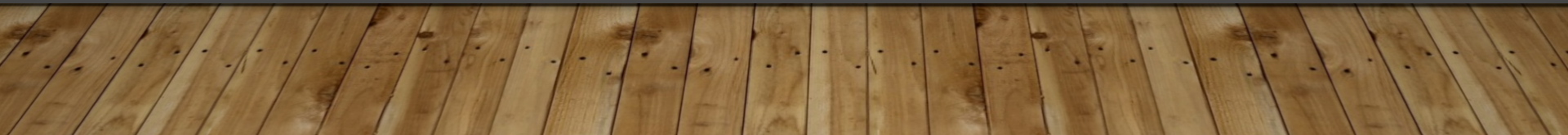
(3) Verse 4, We still groan while in this fleshly body. We do not desire death nor to die, “not that we would be unclothed”. 2 Corinthians 5:4 CEV These tents we now live in are like a heavy burden, and we groan. But we don't do this just because we want to leave these bodies that will die. It is because we want to change them for bodies that will never die.



What We Need to Remember

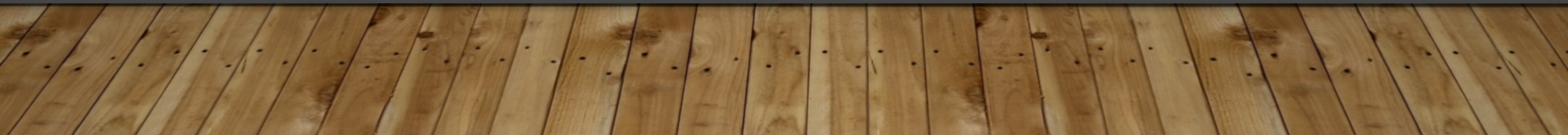
Verse 5 He who has prepared us for this very thing is God, who has given us the Spirit as a guarantee.

Adam Clarke - God has given us our being and our body for this very purpose, that both might be made immortal, and both be glorified together.



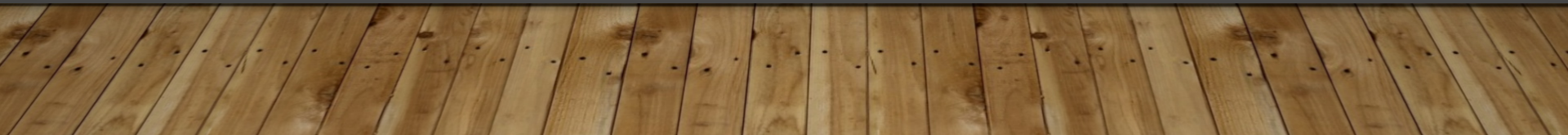
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Remember he gave you a mind, a body and a soul. And in your soul is His Spirit as a guarantee that one day this fleshly tent will have a body that is uncorruptible and living in the glory of God forever.



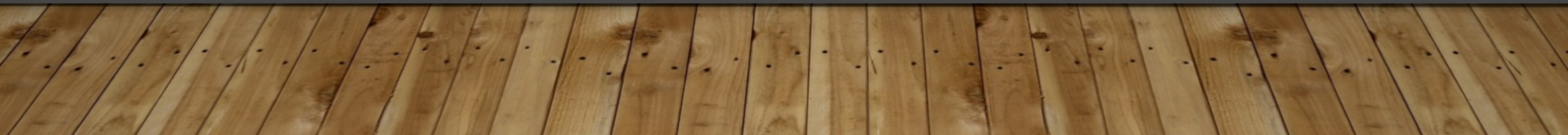
What We Need to Remember

Remember (6) So we are always of good courage. We know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord, (7) for we walk by faith, not by sight. How are you walking? Is it by faith or is your faith shaped and influenced by CNN, CNBC, Fox News, or the secular world itself?



What We Need to Remember

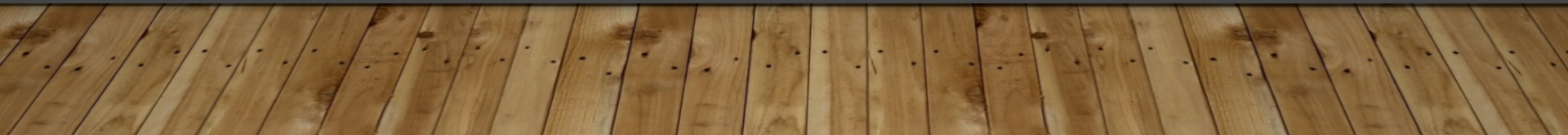
Do you have spiritual dementia? "I will remember the deeds of the LORD; yes, I will remember your wonders of old. I will ponder all your work and meditate on your mighty deeds. Your way, O God, is holy. What god is great like our God?" (Psalms 77:11-13, ESV)



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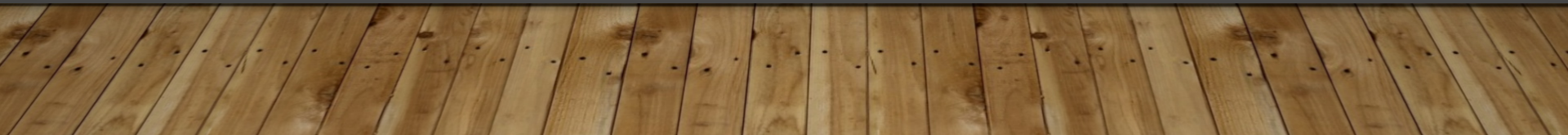
Why do you think the Hebrews continued to tell their children over and over the stories of how God brought them out of Egypt?

Because they knew if they forgot what God did for them and what He brought them from they would return to slavery but this time slavery to sin.



What We Need to Remember

What does the Word of God want us to remember? "Remember this and stand firm, recall it to mind, you transgressors, remember the former things of old; for I am God, and there is no other; I am God, and there is none like me, declaring the end from the beginning and from ancient times things not yet done,



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saying, 'My counsel shall stand, and I will accomplish all my purpose,' calling a bird of prey from the east, the man of my counsel from a far country. I have spoken, and I will bring it to pass; I have purposed, and I will do it." (Isaiah 46:8-11, ESV)

