WELCOME TO THE MANAGER'S DESK, I'M MIKE CORNELL.

ON OUR RECENT BUS TRIP TO THE DELLS, I SHARED AN ARTICLE BY WAYNE RICE ENTITLED, 'WHY I NEVER EAT'. I THOUGHT YOU MIGHT ENJOY THIS 'FOOD FOR THOUGHT'.

EVERYBODY HAS A GOOD EXCUSE FOR NOT ATTENDING CHURCH. IF YOU TAKE THOSE EXCUSES AND APPLY THEM TO OTHER THINGS WE DO (OR DON'T DO), LIKE EATING, THEY MIGHT LOOK LIKE THIS:

I DON'T EAT ANYMORE BECAUSE:

- I WAS FORCED TO EAT AS A CHILD.
- PEOPLE WHO EAT ALL THE TIME ARE HYPOCRITES; THEY AREN'T REALLY HUNGRY.
- THERE ARE SO MANY DIFFERENT KINDS OF FOOD, I CAN'T DECIDE WHAT TO EAT.
- I USED TO EAT, BUT I GOT BORED AND STOPPED.
- I ONLY EAT ON SPECIAL OCCASIONS, LIKE CHRISTMAS AND EASTER.
- NONE OF MY FRIENDS WILL EAT WITH ME.
- I'LL START EATING WHEN I GET OLDER.
- I DON'T REALLY HAVE THE TIME TO EAT.
- I DON'T BELIEVE THAT EATING DOES ANYBODY ANY GOOD. IT'S JUST A CRUTCH.
- RESTAURANTS AND GROCERY STORES ARE ONLY AFTER YOUR MONEY.

GIVING A LAME EXCUSE FOR NOT ATTENDING CHURCH OR FOR NOT GETTING INVOLVED IN MINISTRY IS JUST AS SILLY AS GIVING UP EATING. CHURCH ATTENDANCE FOR THE CHRISTIAN IS AS IMPORTANT AS REGULAR, BALANCED MEALS. WITHOUT SPIRITUAL FOOD, WE WILL DIE.

AND, BY THE WAY, LISTENING TO WRVM IS NOT A SUBSTITUTE FOR CHURCH IF YOU'RE ABLE TO GET OUT AND ATTEND.

I DO THANK YOU FOR LISTENING AND PARTNERING WITH US.

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THANK YOU FOR JOINING ME FOR THE MANAGER'S DESK, I'M MIKE CORNELL.