

SYMBOLISM OF A HAIR BRUSH:

I found one of the great treasures of my life recently. It was just an old hair brush. However, when we moved here to Texas I was so sick inside when I realized I had lost this hair brush. Finally I found it in one of our yet to be opened medicine boxes.

Yes it is just a hair brush but it has great significance to me. I have had that hair brush for over 40 years. When our daughters Leah and Anna were little girls we must have bought 200 hair brushes. Every Sunday morning it seemed no one could find a hair brush anywhere in the house. Somewhere in Bennion, Utah there must be a huge pile of lost hair brushes.

One day I got this bright idea. I had an old parachute from the Army. I cut some of the parachute chord off it. I drilled a hole in a new hair brush and tied it to the towel rack in the bathroom with the parachute chord. This was the last hair brush we had to buy for a long time. It is still tied to my towel rack even now.

Why have I kept it all these years? Surely I don't need a hair brush now. I keep it tied to the towel rack in my bathroom because every time I look at it it reminds me of something very important in my life. The hair brush has become symbolic to me of my life, It is like I am a hair brush and the towel rack is symbolic of Christ, and parachute chord that is attached to the hair brush tying it to the towel rack so it will not get lost is symbolic of the gospel of Christ and His commandments. As long as the hair brush is anchored to the towel rack with the chord, it never got lost. And even more symbolic now is that once I untied it from the towel rack when we moved, IT DID GET LOST for a while.

I love to look at this hair brush every time I go in the bathroom and have it as a constant reminder to me of the important of the anchoring Gospel of Christ in my life.

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