

# LFTS - Conclusion

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## 70. Goodbye and Next Steps

Of course we only had time in the Laravel From Scratch series to review the essentials of a blogging platform. You can certainly take this many steps further. Here are some quick ideas that you might play with.

1. Add a status column to the posts table to allow for posts that are still in a "draft" state. Only when this status is changed to "published" should they show up in the blog feed.
2. Update the "Edit Post" page in the admin section to allow for changing the author of a post.
3. Add an RSS feed that lists all posts in chronological order.
4. Record/Track and display the "views\_count" for each post.
5. Allow registered users to "follow" certain authors. When they publish a new post, an email should be delivered to all followers.
6. Allow registered users to "bookmark" certain posts that they enjoyed. Then display their bookmarks in a corresponding settings page.
7. Add an account page to update your username and upload an avatar for your profile.