

INVESTING YOUR LIFE, RATHER THAN SPENDING IT

How To Have A Great Year - Part 1

Psalm 90:12 (NLT) “Teach us to make the most of our time, so that we may grow in wisdom.”

How to Invest Your Life

1. Live for _____.

Ecclesiastes 3:11 (NLT) “God has made everything beautiful for its own time. He has planted eternity in the human heart, but even so, people cannot see the whole scope of God’s work from beginning to end.”

1 Corinthians 3:10-15 (NIV) “But each one should be careful how he builds. For no one can lay any foundation other than the one already laid, which is Jesus Christ. If any man builds on this foundation using gold, silver, costly stones, wood, hay or straw, his work will be shown for what it is, because the Day will bring it to light. It will be revealed with fire, and the fire will test the quality of each man’s work. If what he has built survives, he will receive his reward. If it is burned up, he will suffer loss; he himself will be saved, but only as one escaping through the flames.”

Romans 14:10, 12 “Remember each of us will stand personally before the judgment seat of God... and we’ll give an account for how we lived.”

Ephesians 6:8 (NLT) “Remember that the Lord will reward each one of us for the good we do whether slaves or free.”

1 Corinthians 4:5c (NIV) “At that time [speaking about this Judgment Seat of Christ] each will receive his praise from God.”

When I understand my future, it . . .

- Decreases my _____.
- Increases my _____.

2 Corinthians 4:18 (TEV) “For we fix our attention, not on things that are seen, but on things that are unseen. What can be seen lasts only for a time, but what cannot be seen lasts forever.”

2. Live with _____.

Ephesians 5:15-16 (NIV) “Be very careful, then, how you live--not as unwise, but as wise, making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil.”

URGENCY BUSTERS

- _____ pursuits.
- _____ of life.
- _____.
- Taking life for _____.

URGENCY BUILDERS

- Feed your _____.
- Make _____ a priority.
- _____ other people who live urgently.
- Move outside your _____.

1 Corinthians 9:24-27 (NLT) “Remember that in a race everyone runs, but only one person gets the prize. You also must run in such a way that you will win. All athletes practice strict self-control. They do it to win a prize that will fade away, but we do it for an eternal prize. So I run straight to the goal with purpose in every step. I am not like a boxer who misses his punches. I discipline my body like an athlete, training it to do what it should. Otherwise, I fear that after preaching to others I myself might be disqualified.”