

Take a New Grip

Part 5 Eternity

August 30, 2026

Hebrews 12:12–13 (NLT) ¹²So take a new grip with your tired hands and strengthen your weak knees.
¹³Mark out a straight path for your feet so that those who are weak and lame will not fall but become strong.

The Value to This Life

Ecclesiastes 1:3 (NKJV) ³What profit has a man from all his labor In which he toils under the sun?

Ecclesiastes 1:14 (NLT) ¹⁴I observed everything going on under the sun, and really, it is all meaningless—like chasing the wind.

Ecclesiastes 12:8 (NIV) ⁸“Meaningless! Meaningless!” says the Teacher. “Everything is meaningless!”

Ecclesiastes 12:13–14 (NLT) ¹³Here now is my final conclusion: Fear God and obey his commands, for this is everyone’s duty. ¹⁴God will judge us for everything we do, including every secret thing, whether good or bad.

Hebrews 9:27 (NIV) ...people are destined to die once, and after that to face judgment.

The 2-Question Test

What did you do with _____?

Revelation 20:11–15 (NIV) ¹¹Then I saw a great white throne and him who was seated on it. The earth and the heavens fled from his presence, and there was no place for them. ¹²And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne, and books were opened. Another book was opened, which is the book of life. The dead were judged according to what they had done as recorded in the books...¹⁵Anyone whose name was not found written in the book of life was thrown into the lake of fire.

What did you do with _____?

2 Corinthians 5:10 (NIV) ¹⁰For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each of us may receive what is due us for the things done while in the body, whether good or bad.

Matthew 16:27 (NIV) ²⁷For the Son of Man is going to come in his Father’s glory with his angels, and then he will reward each person according to what they have done.

Living for Eternity

1. I’m just _____.

Philippians 3:18–20 (TLB) There are many who walk along the Christian road who are really enemies of the cross of Christ. Their future is eternal loss, for their god is their appetite: they are proud of what they should be ashamed of; and all they think about is this life here on earth. But our homeland is in heaven, where our Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, is; and we are looking forward to his return from there.

world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me; and where I am, my servant also will be. My Father will honor the one who serves me.

1. My time on earth is _____.

James 4:14 (NIV) What is your life? You are a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes.

√ Make the most of _____.

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

2. What I _____ must _____ for eternity.

1 Corinthians 3:11–15 (NLT) ¹³But on the judgment day, fire will reveal what kind of work each builder has done. The fire will show if a person’s work has any value. ¹⁴If the work survives, that builder will receive a reward. But if the work is burned up, the builder will suffer great loss.

√ _____ contribute to Kingdom _____.

By intentionally sharing my _____, _____, and _____.

Only one thing matters – _____

Revelation 22:12 (NKJV) ¹²“And behold, I am coming quickly, and My reward is with Me, to give to every one according to his work.

Luke 14:23 (NIV) ²³“Then the master told his servant, ‘Go out to the roads and country lanes and compel them to come in, so that my house will be full.

Welcome Home Sunday – September 20

What did I hear God say to me today? _____

What will I do with what I heard today? _____

Who will I share what I heard today with? _____