

What If.... You only had 30 days to live?

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Lord, remind me how brief my time on earth will be. Remind me that my days are numbered— how fleeting my life is. You have made my life no longer than the width of my hand. My entire lifetime is just a moment to you; at best, each of us is but a breath. Psalm 39:4-5 (NLT)

How Would You LIVE?

Look here, you who say, Today or tomorrow we are going to a certain town and will stay there a year. We will do business there and make a profit. How do you know what your life will be like tomorrow? Your life is like the morning fog—it's here a little while, then it's gone. James 4:13,14 (NLT)

◆ Live in the NOW.

What you ought to say is, If the Lord wants us to, we will live and do this or that. Otherwise you are boasting about your own plans, and all such boasting is evil. James 4: 15-16 (NLT)

This is the day the LORD has made. We will rejoice and be glad in it. Psalm 118:24 (NLT)

◆ Live by turning INTENTIONS into ACTIONS.

Remember, it is sin to know what you ought to do and then not do it. James 4:17 (NLT)

Focus on PRAYER.

The end of the world is coming soon. Therefore, be earnest and disciplined in your prayers. 1 Peter 4:7 (NLT)

Focus on PEOPLE.

Most important of all, continue to show deep love for each other, for love covers a multitude of sins. 1 Peter 4:8 (NLT)

RELATIONSHIPS Matter

Focus on your PURPOSE.

GIVE with GENEROSITY

Cheerfully share your home with those who need a meal or a place to stay. 1 Peter 4:9 (NLT)

SERVE with INTENSITY

God has given each of you a gift from his great variety of spiritual gifts. Use them well to serve one another. Do you have the gift of speaking? Then speak as though God himself were speaking through you. Do you have the gift of helping others? Do it with all the strength and energy that God supplies. Then everything you do will bring glory to God through Jesus Christ. All glory and power to him forever and ever! Amen. 1 Peter 4:10-11 (NLT)

◆ Live by turning my WHOLE HEART toward JESUS.

And this world is fading away, along with everything that people crave. But anyone who does what pleases God will live forever. 1 John 2:17 (NLT)

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