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## THE URGENCY OF ETERNITY

2 Thessalonians 1:8-9; Philippians 3:20; John 3:16

### The Urgency of Eternity...

- Knowing this Gospel Thread...
  - Our eternal \_\_\_\_\_ hinges on our response to Jesus.
    - \_\_\_\_\_ is a dreadful reality for those who turn from Jesus. (2 Thessalonians 1:8-9)
      - A place of \_\_\_\_\_ rebellion.
      - A place of \_\_\_\_\_ separation.
      - A place of \_\_\_\_\_ duration.
    - \_\_\_\_\_ is a glorious reality for those who trust in Jesus. (Philippians 3:20)
      - A place of full \_\_\_\_\_.
      - A place of complete \_\_\_\_\_.
      - A place of ultimate \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Will you turn from Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ will you trust in Jesus? (John 3:16)
    - Will you turn from Jesus?
      - \_\_\_\_\_ without Christ now.
      - \_\_\_\_\_ without Christ forever.
    - Will you trust in Jesus?
      - \_\_\_\_\_ with Christ now.
      - \_\_\_\_\_ with Christ forever.
- Weaving this Gospel Thread...
  - Minimize your conversations about \_\_\_\_\_ things.
  - Maximize your conversations about \_\_\_\_\_ things.
  - Talking about hell...
    - Speak about God's character with humble \_\_\_\_\_.
    - Speak about God's judgment with healthy \_\_\_\_\_.
    - Speak about God's wrath with honest \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Talking about heaven...
    - Talk like this world is not your \_\_\_\_\_.
    - Live like this world is not your \_\_\_\_\_.
    - Talk about your anticipation of being with \_\_\_\_\_.
    - Talk about your realization that dying is \_\_\_\_\_.
  - CALLing people to turn and trust...
    - \_\_\_\_\_ the Gospel.
    - \_\_\_\_\_...
      - If they have any questions.
      - If they have ever turned from their sin and themselves and trusted in Jesus as Savior and Lord.
      - If they would like to turn from their sin and themselves and trust in Jesus as Savior and Lord now.
    - \_\_\_\_\_ the Holy Spirit work.
      - \_\_\_\_\_ them to call out to God to save them.
      - Be willing to let them be \_\_\_\_\_ with God.
    - \_\_\_\_\_ them as a new follower of Christ.
      - We don't want to manufacture \_\_\_\_\_.
      - We do want to make \_\_\_\_\_.

### The Church at Brook Hills...

- Do we realize people's \_\_\_\_\_?
- Do we possess the heart of \_\_\_\_\_?
- Do we want our lives to \_\_\_\_\_?



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### The Urgency of Eternity...

- Knowing this Gospel Thread...
  - Our eternal destiny hinges on our response to Jesus.
    - Hell is a dreadful reality for those who turn from Jesus. (2 Thessalonians 1:8-9)
      - A place of continual rebellion.
      - A place of final separation.
      - A place of eternal duration.
    - Heaven is a glorious reality for those who trust in Jesus. (Philippians 3:20)
      - A place of full reconciliation.
      - A place of complete restoration.
      - A place of ultimate reunion.
  - Will you turn from Jesus or will you trust in Jesus? (John 3:16)
    - Will you turn from Jesus?
      - Live without Christ now.
      - Die without Christ forever.
    - Will you trust in Jesus?
      - Die with Christ now.
      - Live with Christ forever.
- Weaving this Gospel Thread...
  - Minimize your conversations about temporal things.
  - Maximize your conversations about eternal things.
  - Talking about hell...
    - Speak about God's character with humble confidence.
    - Speak about God's judgment with healthy fear.
    - Speak about God's wrath with honest compassion.
  - Talking about heaven...
    - Talk like this world is not your hope.
    - Live like this world is not your home.
    - Talk about your anticipation of being with God.
    - Talk about your realization that dying is gain.
  - CALLing people to turn and trust...
    - Clarify the Gospel.
    - Ask...
      - If they have any questions.
      - If they have ever turned from their sin and themselves and trusted in Jesus as Savior and Lord.
      - If they would like to turn from their sin and themselves and trust in Jesus as Savior and Lord now.
    - Let the Holy Spirit work.
      - Invite them to call out to God to save them.
      - Be willing to let them be alone with God.
    - Lead them as a new follower of Christ.
      - We don't want to manufacture decisions.
      - We do want to make disciples.

### The Church at Brook Hills...

- Do we realize people's condition?
- Do we possess the heart of Christ?
- Do we want our lives to count?