Borrowing Against Eternity

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INTRODUCTION

- I want to talk to you about today and whether or not we're borrowing against eternity.
- Beware and be on your guard against every form of greed.

1 We Always Think There's More Time

Luke 12:20; Luke 12:35–38

- We always think there's more time, don't we?
- But there's going to come a day when sunrise will not be followed by sundown, or sundown will not be followed by sunrise.
- And we are going to be accountable because that very night or that very day, our soul will be required of us.
- Be dressed in readiness and keep your lamps lit.

2 What If Today Was All There Was?

Luke 12:41–48

- What if today was all there was? Have you ever stopped and asked yourself that question?
- Are we doing what we would be doing if we knew he was coming today?
- The faithful servant is the one that continues steadfastly in all the things that his master wants him to do, but that is not generally how people behave.
- People tend to behave like the rich fool.
- If our entire focus is on how to satiate what might be the need of tomorrow, we are becoming woefully negligent of today.

3 Would We Concern Ourselves With Tomorrow?

- Tomorrow is among the most insidious lies ever contrived. It holds within it the false allure of promise and mutes the urgency of today.
- Or do you think we might be more apt to spend those hours in prayer? And with our families.
- Or do you think we might finally make the time to tell that person about the truth that we've been putting off over and over and over again.
- Or would we suddenly understand that we ought not forsake the assembling of ourselves together?
- What are your goals today? And how many of them are spiritual? What plans are you making, and how many of them are eternal?

4 Weighed in the Balances and Found Wanting

2 Peter 3:10–18; Daniel 5:18–28

- If you knew with absolute certainty that you were bound for heaven or hell at 522 this evening, would you be comfortable with that?
- Since all these things are to be destroyed in this way, what sort of people ought you to be in holy conduct and godliness?
- You have been weighed in the scales and found deficient. You've been weighed in the balances and found wanting.
- Ready or not, here it comes. If today was all there was, would you be ready and have confidence in your eternal judgment?
- Would you feel the need to make ready because you know that as you sit now, you're unprepared.

5 You've Got No Idea When It's Coming

1 Thessalonians 5:1–10; 2 Peter 3:10–11; Romans 13:11–14

- The day of the Lord so comes as a thief in the night.
- What should the thought do to you that you've got no idea when it's coming?
- You don't know when the day is coming, so get your priorities straight now.
- The night is almost gone, and the day is near, therefore let us lay aside the deeds of darkness and put on the armor of light.
- The day of the Lord is closer today than it was yesterday. You have fewer breaths to draw today than you did yesterday.

THE CHALLENGE

Brothers and sisters, are we borrowing against eternity? Are we betting that the Lord isn't going to come at a moment, at a time when we're not ready? Are you who you would be? If you prepared to meet your God today?

MY NOTES