

Investing Your Life in Others

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I. Three Questions:

A. What are you going live your life for?

1. Basic Decision: for myself or for the Lord?

B. Who are you going live your life with?

1. Who will be your life partner?

C. What are you going live your life in?

1. In what field will you work?

II. What am I going to do with my life?

A. Jesus knew what he was going to do with his life.

1. He knew he would suffer, be killed, and rise again. (Mark 8:30ff Matthew 20:28, and Isaiah 53:5-6)

2. This is the central theme of the life of Christ

3. He faced resistance from his friends. (Mark 8:32-33)

4. He told the disciples what they were supposed to do with their lives. (Mark 8:34-35)

a) People often try to “find themselves”

B. Challenge: Live a life abandoned to the Lord Jesus Christ

1. Highest and noblest thing

C. Four Reasons to live life abandoned to Christ

1. Your life is a vapor. (James 4:14)

a) Christ came that we may have life and have it more abundantly. (John 10:10)

2. Christ shall come again like a thief in the night, the earth and the works in it will be burned up. (2 Peter 3:10)

3. Your labor is not in vain in the Lord. (1 Corinthians 15:58)

a) Many men are working in an occupation that they do not believe is worth 8 hours a day.

b) Hundreds of men get up in the morning, go to work, so they can get money to buy food and pay the rent so they can eat and sleep and gain strength to go to work, so they can get money...so that...and then life ends.

c) Two reasons people do not commit to labor in the Lord:

1) We do not think we have anything to offer.

2) We think our condition in life is bad.

D. Give him your heart.

1. God makes a total and unreserved commitment to you.

2. Waiting to hear, "Lord, here am I."

3. Christ is knocking, open the door.(Revelation 3:20)

4. What you must know:

a) Your sin has offended God.

b) Jesus Christ died to pay the entire penalty for that sin.

c) Personally invite Christ to come into your life, forgive your sins, give you eternal life, and be your Savior and Lord.