

PREACHING CURRICULUM



SERMON TITLE: Making the Most of Life

SCRIPTURE: 2 Corinthians 5:1-10

'...to a large degree humanity has forgotten who we are... because we have forgotten God...'

'...thinking about the future can help us to maximize the life we have here in the present...'

1

REVIEW THE SERMON

How are we more than biotic beings?

Why are we surprised that our culture has forgotten this truth? How does the belief of this lie betray the basest selfish idea that the purpose of life is pleasure?

What is it we are supposed to understand from the imagery of the 'tent' and the 'eternal building'?

What does 'groaning' tell us about the truth of the spiritual dimension that there is more to come?

2

ASSESS YOUR LIFE

What is your hope beyond your 'tent'? What should we concern ourselves with if the truth is we are more than biotic beings?

What is God calling you to DO with the truth that we are more than this current 'tent' here in the present?

Verse 2: What are you 'groaning' about in your life? What is the world 'groaning' about? Are you 'groaning' for others?

Can you say with the writer in verse 8 that you would rather be with the Lord?

3

APPLY THE TRUTH

How do we live with purpose so as not to waste our lives as secularists do?

How do, and how should, God's eternal truths effect your life in these present moments?

How can we make Courage our daily normal vs. 6-9?

How does the source of this courage ensure that the burdens and persecution we face can never cause us to lose our courage?

4

COMMIT THIS WEEK

How can our thoughts and actions now, assure our preparedness for when we are called to give an account vs. 10?