



**Is
This
World
All
You're
Living
For?**

I was living for this world, looking for happiness at parties, races, games and amusements of every kind. But the thought of death and judgment kept troubling me. I wanted real peace and joy – but I could never get it.

I attended church and even taught Sunday school. I read the Bible, but religion gave me no more satisfaction than all my amusements.

A QUESTION FOR ME

One day a friend asked, “Is this world all that you are living for?” I avoided answering him, but could not escape his question. I knew there was more.

I knew there was an eternity. I knew I was a sinner living in rebellion against God. I knew I was on the road to hell. I was miserable!

I resolved to live a different life, and began by giving up swearing. I even told my friends they should not swear. But this didn’t help at all.

I asked God for mercy, but found no peace. Then one day this line from a church song came to mind: “One there is above all oth-

ers, Oh! how He loves ...” I asked myself, “Is it possible that God loves me?” The answer came from a Bible verse I had memorized: “For when we were still without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly” (Romans 5:6).

I knew I was “without strength” and “ungodly.” If Christ died for such people, He must have died for me. Then and there I trusted Jesus, and He began filling my life “with all joy and peace in believing” (Romans 15:13). For the first time I realized that I was eternally saved!

A QUESTION FOR YOU

Now let me ask you the same question: Is this world all that you are living for? Maybe you can look back over 60 or even 70 years of your life. What’s your answer?

Maybe you are in your prime, succeeding in business and enjoying your family. I’m asking the same question: Is this world all that you are living for?

Maybe you are young and saying, “Death is so far away! I have lots of time.” Don’t forget that God says, “Do not boast about tomorrow, for you do not know what a day

may bring forth” (Proverbs 27:1).

Many your age have died. No doubt they also thought they had a long time to live – but now they are gone. Where?

A QUESTION FROM GOD

In the Bible, Jesus asks another question: “What will it profit a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul?” (Mark 8:36). There is an eternity beyond this life. Are you ready for it? Jesus shed His blood to save you from the judgment to come. Will you believe in Him?

“God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son. He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life” (1 John 5:11-12). The choice is yours!

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