



“I’m here for a
GOOD
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“I’m here for a good time,” said the young woman.

“But when the good time is over, when death comes and you enter eternity, facing God’s judgment on your life, what then?” asked her friend.

“I won’t live like this all my life,” she answered. “I’ll get right with God when I’m older. Right now, I’m interested in having a good time.”

“You are being deceived by the devil with that kind of thinking. You may not celebrate your next birthday. You may never have another chance to prepare for eternity,” warned her friend.

The young woman laughed and continued the pursuit of her pleasures. A few weeks later ...

It all happened so abruptly that she had no time to cry to God for mercy, no time to accept Christ as her Savior. Her last cry was filled with anguish as she sped into an eternity of everlasting punishment. While she was living, God used a friend to warn her not to neglect Christ in her life, but she didn’t listen.

Stop and think for a moment of the sad choice this girl made: she chose the “passing pleasures of sin” (Hebrews 11:25) rather than Christ as her Savior. Are you doing the same thing? Do her words, “I’m here for a good time,” describe your attitude too? Are you one of those the Bible describes as “lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God” (2 Timothy 3:4)? If so, take this young woman’s sudden end as a warning.

Remember—eternity comes after this life, and you could enter it *any time*. The *pleasures of sin* soon pass, but the *penalties of sin* go on forever! Are they really worth it? The pleasures of sin are like soap bubbles: beautiful to look at, fun to chase, but full of emptiness. Lasting joy and satisfaction can never be obtained from this world.

Jesus Christ said, “Whoever drinks of this water (this world’s pleasure) will thirst again, but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst. But the water that I shall give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up into everlasting life” (John 4:13-14). The Bible also says that those

who enter into the Lord's presence will find "fullness of joy" and "pleasures forevermore" (Psalm 16:11). Now that's a *good time!*

Choose now – and choose the best. Satan will tell you that you will have to give up all the "good times" if you come to Christ. Don't believe him. He is a liar (John 8:44). Christians are the only truly happy people! Since their sins have been washed away by the blood of Jesus Christ, they have peace with God and are assured of eternal pleasures in His presence.

Is your heart longing for the really "good times" – true, lasting peace and joy? Turn now to Jesus, who died on the cross for you. Confess your sins in repentance to Him, and He will pardon you. Accept Him as Savior and He will save you.

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