



The Life You Get Stuck With

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1. God is active in the world around us and wants us to be involved as well

11-14 But make sure that you don't get so absorbed and exhausted in taking care of all your day-by-day obligations that you lose track of the time and doze off, oblivious to God. The night is about over, dawn is about to break. Be up and awake to what God is doing! God is putting the finishing touches on the salvation work he began when we first believed. We can't afford to waste a minute, must not squander these precious daylight hours in frivolity and indulgence, in sleeping around and dissipation, in bickering and grabbing everything in sight. Get out of bed and get dressed! Don't loiter and linger, waiting until the very last minute. Dress yourselves in Christ, and be up and about!

Romans 13:11-14 MSG

14 Instead, clothe yourself with the presence of the Lord Jesus Christ. And don't let yourself think about ways to indulge your evil desires.

Romans 13:14 NLT

2. Living the life you are stuck with

- Be in the moment / Be alert
- Dress yourself in Christ
- Don't indulge your selfish desires

3. Truths about your future

- Time is not on your side
- Ongoing consistency is more important than short-term intensity

4 "LORD, remind me how brief my time on earth will be. Remind me that my days are numbered—how fleeting my life is. 5 You have made my life no longer than the width of my hand. My entire lifetime is just a moment to you; at best, each of us is but a breath."

Psalm 39:4-5 NLT

10 Seventy years are given to us! Some even live to eighty. But even the best years are filled with pain and trouble; soon they disappear, and we fly away.

Psalm 90:10 NLT

Next Steps:

- Read Romans 13:8-14 this week
- Attend the rest of "You in Five Years"
- God has been leading me to be _____ and I commit to be awake and focused
- Commit to pray about what God is leading me to focus on over the next Five Years
- Make Romans 13:11-14 my prayer and commitment throughout this series and beyond
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