Yearning For Home

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INTRODUCTION

- I want you to pick out one thing that you just absolutely love.
- When we love something, you absolutely positively spend all your time and energy going for it.

1 We Are Always of Good Courage

2 Corinthians 5:6–8; 2 Corinthians 4:17

- So we are always of good courage. We know that while we are at home in the body, we are away from the Lord.
- For we walk by faith, not by sight.
- Despite all of the heartaches, despite all of the downtrodden moments in this life, and man are there many. Despite all of that, there is an eternal weight of glory.
- It doesn't matter if you lived a life of pampering or of comfort, or if you lived a life of severe affliction, Paul describes this life as light, momentary affliction.

2 In This Tent We Groan

2 Corinthians 5:1–4

- For in this tent we groan. Why? Longing to put on our heavenly dwelling.
- How much joy, how much peace do you truly have as a follower of God that if everything in your life was destroyed?
- What about when all that goes into your earthly tent is destroyed? Where is your faith? Where is your hope then?
- Wouldn't we prefer a building from God than any building on this life?

3 This Is Our Temporary Home

- What do you groan about this morning? And do you keep it into perspective?
- This is my temporary home. It's not where I belong. Windows and rooms that I'm passing through.
- Do you understand that this is our temporary home? Because if you do, if you understand that this is temporary, your life would reflect it.
- If you are of good courage, if you are walking by faith, what temporal investments are you making for your eternity?

4 Where Your Treasure Is, There Your Heart Will Be

Matthew 6:19–21; 2 Corinthians 5:8

- How are you depositing your time, your money, your opportunities in this life?

- Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven.
- For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.
- We have the ultimate treasure before us, brothers and sisters. How much time have you spent digging in?

5 Consider Your Ways

Haggai 1:2–6

- They had stories, they had law, they knew who he was, and they lost it, and they got wicked.
- Is it a time for you to dwell in your paneled houses while this house lies in ruins?
- Thus says the Lord of hosts, consider your ways. You have sown much and harvested little.
- God doesn't call us to ignore ourselves. He calls us to put him first and to trust him to help us with the rest.

6 We Make It Our Aim to Please Him

2 Corinthians 5:9–10; 1 John 3:2–3; Matthew 6:24

- So, whether we are at home or away, we make it our aim to please him.
- For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may receive what is due for what he has done in the body, whether good or evil.
- You're one day closer to death. But you also have one more day to please God.
- That's the goal. That's the end game, to be holy, for God is holy.

> THE CHALLENGE
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> **Choose life this day. Choose the spiritual life, the building of God that He offers made without hands. Consider your ways and walk by faith and not by sight.**

MY NOTES