

This Is Your Life

James 4:14 **Whereas ye know not what shall be on the morrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away.**

Do you remember that TV show? **Eamonn Andrews**
We're all interested in the lives of others.
What about your life?
What could you write about your own life?
What will others say about you when you're gone?

James tells us what our lives truly are.

Life is short lived

Life is like a vapour.

Our lives can be "an odour of a sweet smell" (Philippians 4:18) or a stinking smog.

Our lives don't last long.

We see our family and friends come and go.

Life vanishes away.

For all flesh is as grass, and all the glory of man as the flower of grass. The grass withereth, and the flower thereof falleth away (1 Peter 1:24).

The days and years fly by.

It won't be long before we all stand before God.

Life is valuable

Our short life is valuable.

We are sowing seeds for eternity.

The choices we make now will affect us forever.

Jesus Christ died for our sins.

What we believe will determine our eternal destiny.

Now is the time to make sure.

Life's Three Chapters

Chapter 1: The Past

Look back at your life.

What has your life been like?

What roads have you walked?

Is Jesus in this chapter?

Would you do the same things again?

Can you look back with joy?

Has the past been wasted?

Do you see anything worth writing about?

Would anyone write a biography of your life?

Never moved any closer to God?

Philippians 3:14 I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.

Chapter 2: The Present

Look at the here and now.

What kind of person are you?

Do people know you're a Christian?

Are you what you pretending to be?

Are you big enough to face yourself?

Are you willing to admit you need help?

Are you willing to turn your life over to Jesus?

Chapter 3: The Future

This is a look at what's to come.

What is your hope for the future?

What lies ahead?

Are you hopeless?

Is there any change in your future?

Does Jesus have a place in your future?

Riches? You can't take it with you.

Fame? All fame will get you is a nice tombstone.

Pleasure? Pleasure is momentary.

After everything's gone, what will be left?

How will the final chapter end?

2 Corinthians 5:10 For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ; that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad.

Your life will end.

You will stand before Christ.

Will you be able to profess Jesus at the judgment?

The final chapter ends in one of two places: heaven or hell.

What is your future?

How will your story end?

This Is Your Life will one day become This Was Your Life.

Revelation 3:5 He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life, but I will confess his name before my Father, and before his angels.