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ONE MORE YEAR TO LIVE

I wonder, what would you do if you knew you had only one more year to live? I mean as we enter 2017, what if you knew this would be your last year that you would be alive? Now the truth of the matter is that we don't know how long we are going to have to live. The Bible says in Proverbs 27:1 "Boast not thyself of tomorrow; for thou knowest not what a day may bring forth." Again in James 4:14 the Bible says, "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." The only certainty of life is the uncertainty about life. The Bible says in Hebrews 9:27, "It is appointed unto man once to die." We know the fact of death is a certainty, but the very time and very moment of death is an uncertainty!!

I ask myself what if I knew I only had one more year to live, what would I do? Well, there are many things that come to mind. Let me just share with you four things.

NUMBER ONE: I would want to know that I was saved. I would want to know without a shadow of doubt that I was a child of God and that I was going to heaven when I died. The Bible teaches that you can know that you are saved. This is not something you have to worry about, or guess about, or hope about, but you can know that you are saved and heaven is your eternal home!! The Bible says in II Peter 2:10 we are "to make our calling and election sure" and in I John 5:13, "These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God."

I thank God that as a 13 year old boy at the Blue Springs Baptist Church in Rutledge, Tennessee on a Friday morning at a Vacation Bible School I repented of my sin and trusted Jesus Christ as my Savior and Lord and God saved my soul!! I know that I know that I am saved!!

So I want to ask you, do you know that you know that you are saved?

NUMBER TWO: I would want to make all Wrongs ~ Right. You know it is very easy to get something in your life between you and another person. Some word you should not have said, some deed you should not have done, some act you should have not committed, and down in your heart you know you are not really right with that person. What if you knew you only had one more year, what would you do?

There is no way you can be right with God and wrong with you fellowman. Jesus said in Matthew 5:23-24, "Therefore if thou bring thy gift to the altar, and there rememberest that thy brother hath ought against thee; Leave there thy gift before the altar, and go thy way; first be reconciled to thy brother, and then come and offer thy gift. " You can't be right with God and be wrong with your brother!!

NUMBER THREE: I would want to love Jesus and my Family with all my heart. I would want my life to be marked by love, not hate!!

NUMBER FOUR: I would want to win as many people to Jesus Christ as I possible could. The wisest thing we can do is to be a soul winner. "The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life; and he that winneth souls is wise." Proverbs 11:30. This last Sunday I started my preaching schedule for 2017 in Port Arthur, Texas. I saw a lot of adults trust Christ. But that Sunday afternoon at the hotel where I was staying a little maid named Mercedes came to clean my room. There I was able to tell her how Jesus loved her and died for her and wanted to save her. Thank God, Mercedes got saved!! I believe that God has a lot more little maids, men, women, boys and girls that He wants me to tell about Jesus!! How about you??

Please pray for me as I will be preaching in 51 different revivals/crusades here in America and in Ethiopia that we will see thousands come to Christ. I love you and thank you for your prayers and support.

Schedule:

Jan 8	Faith Baptist Church Port Arthur TX	Feb 12	Second Baptist Church Clinton TN
Jan 15-18	Beulah Baptist Church Decatur MS	Feb 19-22	First Baptist Church Bible Conference South Fulton TN
Jan 22-24	Bible Conference Anniston AL	Feb 26	Preaching at church Austin TX
Feb 4	Wild Game Dinner Waynesboro TN	Feb 27-Mar 1	Leadership Conference W/Andy Spencer Austin TX
Feb 5	Green River Baptist Church Waynesboro TN		