



Dear Friend of [Abiding Above](#),

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Think about this. If you knew for certain you only had 6 months to live, what would you do during that 6 months?

With that thought firmly fixed in your mind ponder this by *L.E. Maxwell*

*Only one life, twill soon be past
Only what is done for Christ will last.
And when I am dying, how glad I'll be
that the light of my life was burned
Out for Thee.*

And this by *Jim Elliot*

*He is no fool who gives up what he cannot
keep to obtain what he cannot lose.*

And this by *Rhea F. Miller*

*I'd rather have Jesus than silver or gold.
I'd rather be led by His nail-pierced hand.
I'd rather have Jesus than men's applause.
I'd rather be faithful to His dear cause.
I'd rather be true to His holy name.
He's all that my hungering spirit needs.*

If you had 6 months to live, would these be the thoughts of your heart and the intentions of your will? I think you would say "yes." There's just something about a deadline.

Psalm 139:16 – *"Your eyes saw my substance, being yet unformed and in Your book they all were written, the days fashioned for me, when as yet there were none of them."*

Psalm 144:4 – *"Man is like a breath; his days are like a passing shadow."*



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Ephesians 5:15 - 17 – “*Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, making the best use of the time, because the days are evil. Therefore, do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is.*”

God's will for His true children is

***We are to seek and save that which is lost.
We are to go and make disciples.***

When we get to heaven it will not matter who we know, where we have been, or how much we have accumulated. When we get to heaven the only thing that will matter forever and ever is what we have done for Christ, empowered by the Holy Spirit.

It's clear from Scripture that what is precious to God are human souls brought into a relationship with Him.

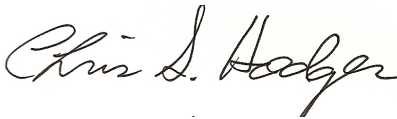
My friends, it is through your prayers and generous giving that souls are being reached. Your generous giving enables us to continue airing the “**Abiding Above with Chris Hodges,**” radio broadcast, which reaches many people domestically and internationally with God’s eternal truth. It also allows us to continue to disciple many people through the mail with Bible lessons as well as discipling others in one-to-one discipleship.

At Abiding Above Ministries, our goal and desire is to finish well, and we know that is your desire too. Let’s keep on keeping on until Jesus comes!

God loves you. You are special! God never makes duplicates, only originals, and you are an original who is in Christ and Christ is in you!

Abiding above,

Chris S. Hodges

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Chris S. Hodges".

President

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Colossians 3:1-3