

# LIVING BROKEN

## **We live in a broken world.**

Genesis 3:23-24 So the LORD God banished him from the Garden of Eden to work the ground from which he had been taken. <sup>24</sup> After he drove the man out, he placed on the east side of the Garden of Eden cherubim and a flaming sword flashing back and forth to guard the way to the tree of life. NIV

## **Our broken world is getting worse.**

2 Timothy 3:1-5 But mark this: There will be terrible times in the last days. <sup>2</sup> People will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boastful, proud, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy, <sup>3</sup> without love, unforgiving, slanderous, without self-control, brutal, not lovers of the good, <sup>4</sup> treacherous, rash, conceited, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God— <sup>5</sup> having a form of godliness but denying its power. Have nothing to do with them. NIV

## **Our time here is short.**

Ecclesiastes 7:2 It is better to go to a house of mourning than to go to a house of feasting, for death is the destiny of every man; the living should take this to heart. NIV

James 4:14 Why, you do not even know what will happen tomorrow. What is your life? You are a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes. NIV

## **Use your time here well.**

### **1) Don't just live for yourself.**

2 Corinthians 5:15 He died for everyone so that those who receive his new life will no longer live for themselves. Instead, they will live for Christ, who died and was raised for them. NLT

1 Timothy 5:5-6 The widow who is really in need and left all alone puts her hope in God and continues night and day to pray and to ask God for help. <sup>6</sup> But the widow who lives for pleasure is dead even while she lives. NIV

### **2) Be on mission.**

a. Mission: Love God.

Mark 12:30 [Jesus said,] “And you must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, all your mind, and all your strength.”

b. Mission: Love

Mark 12:31 [Jesus said,] “The second [most important commandment] is this: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’ There is no commandment greater than these.” NIV

c. Mission: Help people cross from death to life.

Hebrews 9:27b Each person is destined to die once and after that comes judgment. NLT

Matthew 28:18-20 Then Jesus came to them and said, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. <sup>19</sup>Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup>and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.” NIV

1 Corinthians 9:22b [Paul wrote,] “To the weak I became weak, to win the weak. I have become all things to all men so that by all possible means I might save some.” NIV

3) **Run hard.**

Hebrews 12:1-2 Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. <sup>2</sup>Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. NIV

Hebrews 10:37 For in just a very little while, “He who is coming will come and will not delay.” NIV