

TALK IT OVER

Numbered and Weighed

BOTTOM LINE

Your days are numbered, and your life will be weighed, so make time regularly to evaluate your life with the end in mind.

CONVERSATION STARTER

What has been a high point of 2022 so far for you? What has been a low point? What are you hoping/praying for in the rest of 2022?

THINGS TO CONSIDER

What did you hear? What do you think? What will you do?

RESOURCES

- The Daily: newpointe.org/thedaily
- 10 Things to Make Your Sabbath More Peaceful

KEY VERSES AND QUOTES

Show me, Lord, my life's end, and the number of my days; let me know how fleeting my life is. Psalm 39:4 NIV

All the ways of a man are pure in his own eyes, but the Lord weighs the spirit. Proverbs 16:2 ESV

For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each of us may receive what is due us for the things done while in the body, whether good or bad. 2 Corinthians 5:10 NIV

"If you read history, you will find that the Christians who did most for the present world were precisely those who thought most of the next. It is since Christians have largely ceased to think of the other world that they have become so ineffective in this." – C. S. Lewis

"We are deceived, not because we are bad people or we don't love God enough. We simply lose perspective of the larger story... the life we are a part of." – Dave VanDonge

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Belshazzar lived in denial and led the whole nation there. Where and how do you see our world in need of a reality check? Discuss Stephen Covey's advice to "live with the end in mind." How can a person do that? What things (not necessarily bad things) have you allowed to distract you from the most important things? Where do you tend to be most deceived? If you ARE deceived, how can you realize it? Are you living the life you want to live? Are you living the life that you are ready to have evaluated by God? How can you really evaluate and live in reality now?

ACTION STEPS (This or one of your own)

I will begin a regular system of evaluation, including a Sabbath, to make certain I live in reality, preparing to stand before God to give an account of my life.

My Action Step:		
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