

The Unseen Epic (*Matthew 13:44; Revelation 21-22*)

- “My Kingdom doesn’t consist of what you _____ around you.” —*Jesus*
- “Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men, knowing that from the Lord you will receive the inheritance as your reward. Keep in mind that the ultimate _____ you are serving is Christ.” —*Colossians 3:23*
- “If your life or my life is going to count on earth, we must start by concentrating on _____. For then, and only then, will you and I be free to take radical risk, knowing that what awaits us is radical _____.” —*David Platt*
- “God, I pray thee, light these idle sticks of my life and may I burn for Thee. Consume my life, my God, for it is Thine. I seek not a _____ life, but a _____ one, like you, Lord Jesus.” — *Jim Elliot*
- “Everything a Christian does should be geared towards fulfilling the great commission. When your primary _____ is to introduce men and women to Jesus Christ, you bring an _____ dimension into your life. You engage in activities that will stand the test of eternity.” — *Luis Palau*

Recommended Books on this Theme

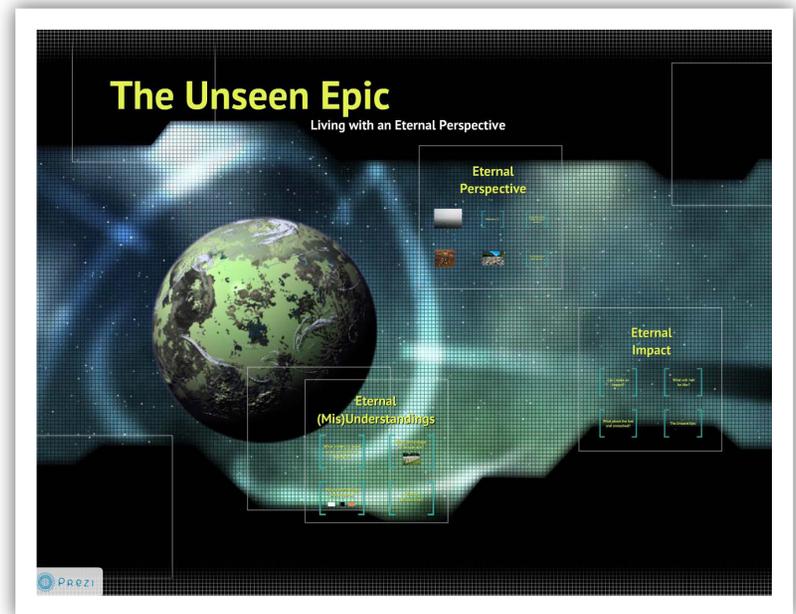
A Life God Rewards by Bruce Wilkinson
Crazy Love by Francis Chan
Don't Waste Your Life by John Piper
Epic by John Eldredge
Eternity by Joseph Stowell
He Loves Me by Wayne Jacobsen
In Light of Eternity by Randy Alcorn
Heaven by Randy Alcorn
Radical by David Platt
The Insanity of God by Nik Ripkin
The Law of Rewards by Randy Alcorn

Novels

Deadline, book 1 of series of 3 by Randy Alcorn
Deception, book 2 of series of 3 by Randy Alcorn
Dominion, book 3 of series of 3 by Randy Alcorn
Edge of Eternity by Randy Alcorn
Lord Faulgrin's Letters, book 1 of series of 2 by Randy Alcorn
The Ishbane Conspiracy, book 2 of series of 2 by Randy Alcorn
Safely Home by Randy Alcorn

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LIVING WITH AN ETERNAL PERSPECTIVE



- And they lived _____
- Every good story
 - A. Has the same _____
 - Love, overcoming obstacles...
 - B. Follows the same storyline
 1. Starts _____,
 2. Something _____ happens,
 3. Someone comes and sets things _____.
 - C. Borrows from *The Story*
- If one is to have an epic role to play in life, one must have a proper understanding and excitement of _____. Living with this eternal _____ will compel us to live our lives in reckless abandon for Jesus knowing that we have a crucial role to play in _____ His kingdom for eternity.

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Eternal (Mis)Understandings (Revelation 21-22)

- Five minutes after I _____, what will I think is really _____?
- What will the New _____ and the New _____ be like?

Isaiah 11:6-9; 25:6-8; 60; 65:17-25; 66:18-21; Joel 3:18-21; Micah 4; Zechariah 14:6-9; John 14; 2-3; I Corinthians 15; II Corinthians 4:16-5:14; Hebrew 11; 13:16; Revelation 21-22

1. Our true _____ .
 2. An actual _____ .
 3. An actual _____ (and country).
 4. Filled with immense _____ .
 5. We'll be more than just spirits, we'll have _____ .
 6. I will still be _____, not just a blank slate.
 7. Throughout eternity I'll still be _____ (without the _____ parts) and you will still be _____ (without the _____ parts).
 8. We will _____ things even more distinctly than we know things now, although we will continue _____ throughout eternity.
 9. We will _____ our lives on earth, our friends, our homes, etc.
 10. We will get to be with other _____ who are also in heaven as well as people who lived throughout history.
- "If I find in myself a desire which no experience in this world can satisfy, the most probable explanation is that I was made for another _____ .
— C.S. Lewis
 - "The critical question...is this: If you could have heaven, with no sickness, and with all the friends you ever had on earth, and all the food you ever liked, and all the leisure activities you ever enjoyed, and all the natural beauty you ever saw, all the physical pleasures you ever tasted, and no human conflict or any natural disasters, could you be satisfied with heaven, if _____ was not there?"
— John Piper

Eternal Perspective (Hebrews 11; I Corinthians 3:11-15)

- "Just as the unbeliever cannot come back to earth and live his life over again and this time trust Jesus, so also there's no opportunity for the believer to go back and relive his life, this time in faithful _____ to Christ." — Randy Alcorn
- "_____, to endeavor to obtain for myself as much happiness, in the other _____, as I possibly can, with all the power, might, vigor, and vehemence, yea violence, I am capable of, or can bring myself to exert, in any way that can be thought of."
— Jonathan Edwards

- Two _____ that determine _____ about your eternity.
 1. The first key is your _____. This key unlocks the door to eternal life and determines _____ you will spend eternity.
 2. The second key is your _____. It unlocks the door to reward and determines _____ you will spend eternity. — Bruce Wilkinson
- "With all this going for us my dear, dear friends, stand your ground. And don't hold back. Throw yourself into the work of the Master, confident that _____ you do for him is a _____ of time or effort."
— I Corinthians 15:58
- "Our greatest fear should not be of failure, but of _____ at things in life that _____ ." — Tim Kizziar
- "Seen from eternity, most things we consider _____ are trivial, and most things we consider _____ are extremely important."
— Greg Boyd
- Am I living for the _____ or for the _____?

Eternal Impact (Romans 3; I Corinthians 9:19-23)

- "I must keep alive in myself the desire for my true country, which I shall not find until after death; I must never let it get snowed under or turned aside; I must make it the main object of my life to press on to that other country and to _____ ." — C.S. Lewis
 - Not everyone lives happily _____...
 - "Heaven is not our _____ destination. No one goes there automatically. Unless our sin problem is resolved, the only place we will go is our true default destination...Hell." — Randy Alcorn
- Job 10:21; Isa. 66:24; Matt. 8:12; 10:28; 13:40-42; 22:13; 25:41; Mark 9:43-44; Luke 16:19-31; John 14:6; II Peter 2:4; Jude 1:7*
- "Between us and Heaven or Hell there is only _____, which is the _____ thing in the world."
— Pascal
 - "If you read in history, you will find that the Christians who did _____ for the _____ world were precisely those who thought the most of the next. It is since Christians have largely ceased to think of the _____ world that they have become so _____ in this."
— C.S. Lewis
 - If we want to be a world changer, we will _____. And the only way that suffering make sense is if we truly understand the _____ and the _____ .