

What Will You Be Doing?

What will Jesus find you doing when He returns? That's a sobering question, isn't it? Of course, since no one but God knows when the final day will be, it is quite possible that all of this generation will perish before our Lord comes again. In that case, the question can be modified: What will you be doing immediately prior to your death?

I'm reminded of an incident recorded about John Wesley. He was working in his garden one day when a neighbor came by to visit. The neighbor attempted to jolt Wesley by asking, "What would you be doing now, John, if you knew for certain that Jesus would return today?" Wesley jolted his neighbor by instead replying, "I would go right on doing what I'm doing."

Such a response indicates that Wesley believed with all his heart that he was living righteously before God and serving the Lord faithfully to the best of his ability. Although it is true that an approving conscience does not necessarily equate to good standing before the Almighty (cf. 1 Cor. 4:4; Acts 23:1), we should strive to maintain a clear conscience through every passing day.

May we live in such a way that Christ could return at any moment and we'd be comfortable continuing the task at hand. In fact, the wise will endeavor to live each day as if they believe it to be their last. We must not leave matters of eternal importance undone. We must not put off those things of spiritual significance. We must pour our hearts and hands into serving God with all our might **today**.

Tomorrow may be too late. Death may claim us or Jesus could return at any moment. Are there things you know you need to do before either of those events takes place? If so, then let me plead with you to do them **right now! Jesus underscored these thoughts in Matthew 24:42-51.**

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