

Corrupt world and Enemy

- Genesis – The way God Created it – He saw that it was good – no sickness, disease, no death
- Revelation - God will complete it that way – no more sorrow, pain, tears, death
- In between - Romans 5:12 ... death spread to everyone, for everyone sinned

Contrast

- Deuteronomy 34:7 Moses was 120 years old when he died, yet his eyesight was clear, and he was as strong as ever.
- Joshua 14:10–11 ...Today I am eighty-five years old. 11 I am as strong now as I was when Moses sent me on that journey,
- BUT, what about Isaac?
- Genesis 27:1 One day when Isaac was old and turning blind,...
- 2 Corinthians 4:16 Therefore we do not lose heart, but though our outer man is decaying, yet our inner man is being renewed day by day.
 - 1 Timothy 4:8 Physical training is good, but training for godliness is much better...

“Living Life in the Extreme”

- Extremely content, Extremely Joyful, Extremely hopeful
- Livin’ the dream – experiencing the dream or dreaming about it
- Much of it comes down to what we can control and what we can’t
- Health –
 - Control - diet, exercise, emotional disposition (angry, bitter, unforgiving, etc.- hormones coursing through your body making you sick)
 - Cannot control – body decaying (the curse of the fall)
- Finance –
 - Control - work, savings, contentment, spending, debt, giving
 - Cannot control – cost of fuel, economy, cost of food

- Relationships
 - Romans 12:18 If possible, so far as it depends on you, be at peace with all men.
 - Can control - Forgiveness, allowance for faults, grace and mercy
 - Cannot control - how others treat you (free will of man)

Hope-filled – for here and now and for what’s to come

- Health
 - Psalm 103:2–5 — 2 Let all that I am praise the Lord; may I never forget the good things he does for me. 3 He forgives all my sins and heals all my diseases. 4 He redeems me from death and crowns me with love and tender mercies. 5 He fills my life with good things. My youth is renewed like the eagle’s!
- Finance
 - Philippians 4:19 And this same God who takes care of me will supply all your needs from his glorious riches, which have been given to us in Christ Jesus.
 - Philippians 4:15–19 —...you Philippians were the only ones who gave me financial help when I first brought you the Good News ... 17 I don’t say this because I want a gift from you. Rather, I want you to receive a reward for your kindness.
 - Philippians 4:11 Not that I was ever in need, for I have learned how to be content with whatever I have.
- Relationships
 - Romans 2:4 (NLT) — 4 Don’t you see how wonderfully kind, tolerant, and patient God is with you? Does this mean nothing to you? Can’t you see that his kindness is intended to turn you from your sin?

Hope-filled

- 2 Corinthians 4:16–18 ...For our present troubles are small and won’t last very long. ... So we don’t look at the troubles we can see now; rather, we fix our gaze on things that cannot be seen.
- Psalm 30 ...You rescued me...You restored my health...Weeping through the night...Joy comes in the Morning