

# Actively Building in Expectation of the Lord's Coming

## 1 Thessalonians 5:11-13

- I. Endeavor in Co-building Christ's local church
  - A. The Profound Privilege
  - B. The Priority is People
- II. Entrust yourself to Genuine Shepherds Over Christ's Local Church
  - A. Their Diligence
  - B. Their Oversight
  - C. Their Instruction
- III. Esteem the Genuine Shepherd over you as Christ's Local Church
  - A. The Way you Love Them
  - B. The Way you Live with Them



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***Only One Life, Twill Soon Be Past***  
**by C.T. Studd**

Two little lines I heard one day,  
Traveling along life's busy way;  
Bringing conviction to my heart,  
And from my mind would not depart;

**Only one life, 'twill soon be past,  
Only what's done for Christ will last.**

Only one life, yes only one,  
Soon will its fleeting hours be done;  
Then, in 'that day' my Lord to meet,  
And stand before His Judgement seat;

**Only one life, 'twill soon be past,  
Only what's done for Christ will last.**

Give me Father, a purpose deep,  
In joy or sorrow Thy word to keep;  
Faithful and true what e'er the strife,  
Pleasing Thee in my daily life;

**Only one life, 'twill soon be past,  
Only what's done for Christ will last.**

Oh let my love with fervor burn,  
And from the world now let me turn;  
Living for Thee, and Thee alone,  
Bringing Thee pleasure on Thy throne;

**Only one life, 'twill soon be past,  
Only what's done for Christ will last.**

Only one life, yes only one,  
Now let me say, "Thy will be done";  
And when at last I'll hear the call,  
I know I'll say "twas worth it all";

**Only one life, 'twill soon be past,  
Only what's done for Christ will last.**

Only one life, 'twill soon be past,  
Only what's done for Christ will last.  
And when I am dying, how happy I'll be,  
If the lamp of my life has been burned out for Thee.

'Selections from C.T. Studd's poem'

1 John 3:4b  
Sin is Lawlessness