

REFLECTIONS

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I consider my life worth nothing to me, if only I may finish the race and complete the task the Lord Jesus has given me — the task of testifying to the gospel of God's grace.

Acts 20:24

Temporary Jobs

One day a friend observed: "All jobs are temporary. At some point in time all jobs come to an end, and then one moves on to something else that will also be temporary. And the cycle continues until God calls us home."

Birth begins our lifelong journey of learning and preparation. Learning is most often associated with formal education and diplomas, but each job we take after graduation provides continuing education that, at least in some small way, prepares us for the next job when that one ends. And life experiences like marriage, births, accidents, victories and defeats, all contribute to the base of knowledge that prepare us for new adventures.

Each job we hold or role we play furthers our growth in life, but those roles also offer opportunities to leave something better than we found it when we came. And isn't that what the journey through life on earth is all about? Even our time on earth is a temporary job, and it's not in what we take away from it that matters most. It's what we leave behind.

And no matter the role God calls us to play in our lifetime on earth, our task is to live a testimony to the gospel of God's grace.

You are the light of the world,

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