The most important thing to do before leaving this life is to make certain where you will spend eternity. You can *know* where you are going. God offers you eternal life in heaven as a free gift because His Son fully provided for your salvation through His death and resurrection. "For by grace are ye saved through faith" (Eph. 2:8-9), simply trusting that Christ died for your sins and rose again (1 Cor. 15:3-4).

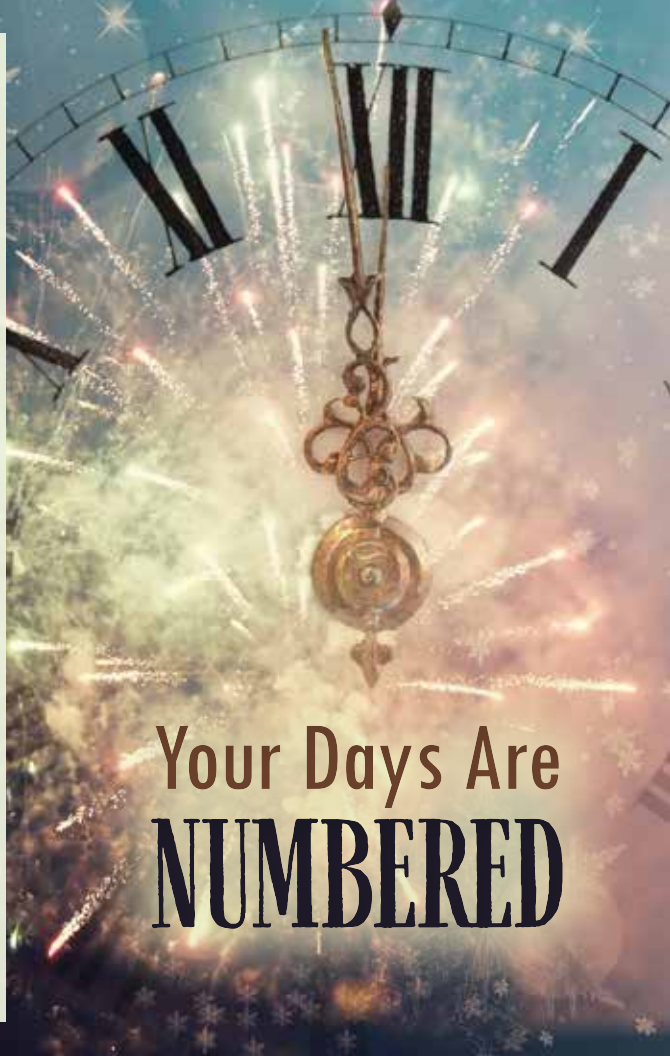
Our days are numbered; we do not know when our last day will be. If you have never trusted Jesus Christ as your personal Savior, do not wait. Trust Him right now.

—Pastor Kevin Sadler

1. https://www.christianitytoday.com/pastors/preaching/sermon-illustrations/bible-scholar-who-explored-brevity-of-life-dies-at-47/.

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Author Peter Craigie once wrote, "Life is extremely short, and if its meaning is to be found, it must be found in the purpose of God, the giver of all life."[1]

Craigie wrote those words in 1983 while working on the first of three planned volumes on the Psalms. He had plans for the future, books still to write, and much he hoped to accomplish. But two years later, he was killed in a car accident at only 47 years old. He wrote about the brevity of life without knowing just how brief his own life would be.

A new year often causes us to look ahead to what we hope to accomplish. Yet Scripture reminds us that our time is not guaranteed and that our days are limited and passing quickly. In Psalm 90:5-6, Moses illustrates the brevity of life with three pictures: rushing floodwaters, a night of sleep, and quickly withering grass.

Passing time is like the rushing waters of "a flood." The water keeps flowing; it never stops or turns back. So it is with time. One day rolls into the next, one year follows another, and our lives are carried along with it. We cannot stop its flow or recover what has passed.

The years of our life are also pictured as "a sleep." We close our eyes at night, and before we know it, morning has come. Likewise, the years pass almost without our realizing it.

Our lives are also like "grass," green and flourishing in the morning, but withered by evening. We spring up, flourish for a time, and then our lives quickly pass away.

This led Moses to pray, "So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom" (Psa. 90:12). To "number our days" is to recognize that our days are limited, valuable, and quickly passing. We should regard every day as precious and use it wisely.