



Main point - Consider God's power in your life

1. God is eternal, powerful, and involved in your life
2. Your life is brief
3. Consider God's power

#1:

"We are not cedars, or oaks, but only poor grass, which is vigorous in the spring, but lasts not a summer through. What is there upon earth more frail than we?...The grass has a golden hour, even as man in his youth has a heyday of flowery glory...Here is the history of grass - sown, grown, blown, mown, gone; and the history of man is not much more."

Charles Spurgeon
The Treasury of David

#2:

"This doctrine requires to be continually meditated on; for although we all confess that nothing is more transitory than our life, yet each of us is soon carried away, as it were, by a frantic impulse to picture to his own imagination an earthly immortality. Whoever bears in mind that he is mortal, restrains himself, that instead of having his attention and affections engrossed beyond measure with earthly objects, he may advance with haste to his mark."

John Calvin
Calvin's Commentaries: Psalms

#3:

"A short life should be wisely spent. We have not enough time at our disposal to justify us in misspending a single quarter of an hour."

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#4:

Psalm 39:4

“O LORD, make me know my end
and what is the measure of my days;
let me know how fleeting I am!”

#5:

“I sit here at ease, hardened and unfeeling – alas! Praying little, grieving little for the Church of God, burning rather in the fierce fires of my untamed flesh. It comes to this: I should be afire in the spirit; in reality I am afire in the flesh, with lust, laziness, idleness, sleepiness. It is perhaps because you have all ceased praying for me that God has turned away from me...For the last eight days I have written nothing, nor prayed nor studied, partly from self-indulgence, partly from another vexatious handicap (serious physical problems)...I really cannot stand it any longer...Pray for me, I beg you, for in my seclusion here I am submerged in sins.”

Martin Luther
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