



James 4:8

WESTSIDE CHURCH OF CHRIST

# Drawing Near to God

## Live Like Your Dying

by Benjamin Lee

A few weeks ago my wife Nikki found out one of her friends lost her life due to the COVID-19 Coronavirus.

Sunday night as I was watching Disney Plus, I got a text. One of my uncles in McKinney Texas died due to the COVID-19 Coronavirus.

I was saddened to hear this news. This was one of my dad's brothers. I wish I could say we had a close relationship. We didn't. I don't really know too much about him. I think the last time we talked was at my fathers funeral, which was a number of years ago.

As I processed this news, this man, and this situation some thoughts have come to mind.

**1. Life is fragile.** Our lives are like a vapor. We are here one moment, then gone the next, James 4:13-15.

**2. Everyday counts.** We can spend our days complaining or we can spend our days rejoicing, helping others, and growing in every respect. We can spend our days being selfish or we can spend our days being a giver, Acts 20:35.

**3. Death is not the end.** We're all standing



on the edge of Eternity, Hebrews 9:27. Death is not the end. It's only the beginning. Therefore, we need to be ready for eternity. **LIVE LIKE YOUR DYING.** In Christ there is great hope, 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18.

**4. We need to run to Jesus.** See John 14:6; Matthew 11:28-30. He

is the WAY, Mark 16:16.

**5. When we can with family, we need to develop and strengthen our relationships.** I wished he showed interest in me when I was younger. I wonder why he didn't? Maybe I should have reached out to him as I got older? We all make choices in life. We've been reminded how important family is.


So Today...

**1. Live like you're dying.**

**2. Make the most of what you have.**

**3. Help someone.**

**4. Trust in God with all of your heart.** Lean not on your own understanding, Proverbs 3:5-6. He is our ROCK. He is our SHIELD. He is WORTHY of PRAISE.

The best is yet to come. 

AM Sermon: Led by the Lamb (Heb. 13:15-16; Rom. 12:1)

PM Sermon: PM Service Cancelled Until Further Notice

# Maturity



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**“Maturity is the ability to do a job whether or not you are supervised, to carry money without spending it, and to bear an injustice without wanting to get even.”** —Ann Landers

**“The young man knows the rules, but the old man knows the exceptions.”**

—Oliver Wendell Holmes, Sr.

**“The first sign of maturity is the discovery that the volume knob also turns to the left.”** —Anonymous

**“Age is a high price to pay for maturity.”**

—Tom Stoppard

## Westside Family News... (send news to [durhamchuk@aol.com](mailto:durhamchuk@aol.com))

### Prayer List:

**Tabitha Hudspeth** (cancer); **Parker Family** (family issues); **Kat Deuster and boys** (continued stability); **Kellye Hardin** (for improvement)

**Shut-Ins:** **Bill Lundy;**  
**Nadine Poteete;** **Darl Feagin**

### General Family Info:

**Tabitha Hudspeth** is at her parents in quarantine. Congratulations to **Steven & Heather Kinyon** at the birth of their baby girl, **Ella Marie**, on **April 7**. She weighed 7 lbs., 9 oz. and was 20 inches long. Both mom and baby are home

and doing well. We extend our sympathy to bro. & sis. **Jim & Mary Bone** at the death of their grandson, **Jeremiah Bone** (34 years old), the son of **Stephen and Nancy Bone**. He died last Sunday. Please pray for this family during their grief. Keep **Jennifer Bean** in your prayers. **Tim & Wendi Cheatham** need our prayers that he finds a good job. **Sue Nabors** (Jim's mother) fell and was in ICU in LR this week. She's now in a regular room, but unable to go home until she regains strength.

**Due to the Covid19 outbreak:** **ALL** worship assemblies and Bible classes at Westside's building are can-

celled for the next few weeks. **Sunday AM Worship services** are Live-streamed on our Facebook page and then available to watch on Westside's YouTube page, Facebook, or Westside's website. **Chuck's** videos are posted for **Wednesday's Study on Genesis 12-50**. For the study on **April 22**, please read **Gen. chs. 21-23**. **Ken Ledbetter** is finishing his class on **2 Peter and Jude** via videos also posted on our website, Facebook and YouTube accounts. His videos will be available to watch on **Sundays**. Next week on **April 26**, he will cover **2 Peter 3:11-13**.