SESSION 25 ALL THE DAYS OF YOUR LIFE

I. ONE THING

- A. David, in the midst of trouble, expresses his heart's one desire: to be with the Lord all the days of my life (Psalm 27:4)
- B. Youthful zeal can fade into cynicism if we do not prioritize the pursuit of the Lord all the days of our lives
- C. Persistent perseverance all the days of your life is a difficult task
 - 1. Pursuit of the Lord requires diligence
- D. Quitting is cowardice
 - 1. There is no inheritance for cowards (Revelation 21)
- E. We do not want to be a people who say, "One thing I desire of the Lord, that I will seek when it is convenient for me..."

II. EVERYTHING THAT HINDERS

"Let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles" (Hebrews 12:1-4)

- A. Debt
 - 1. Unforgiveness; lack of mercy and compassion (Matthew 6, Matthew 18:27-36)
 - 2. Forgiveness frees us (Romans 13)
- B. Doubt & Dysfunctional Community
 - 1. Don't entertain an argument just to argue; support those who are truly seeking (Romans 14)
- C. Discouragement
 - 1. The Parable of the Sower (Matthew 13)
 - 2. Desires for other things take precedent (Luke 21, 1 Thessalonians 5)
- D. Lack of Diligence
 - 1. Following Jesus doesn't always feel warm and fuzzy (Philippians 3)

III. A WORD OF ENCOURAGEMENT

- A. Jesus reminds us to seek first the kingdom (Luke 12:29-32)
- B. By grace you have been saved (Ephesians 2:4)
- C. Diligently seek Him (Hebrews 4:15-16, Psalm 103:11, Philippians 3:9-10)

