

What Will Endure?

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- Our bodies will return to the dust whence they came, Ecclesiastes 12:7; Genesis 3:19.
- Our possessions will pass to others once we are gone from here, Luke 12:20; Psalm 49:10.
- The food we eat, the clothes we wear, the houses we live in are of limited service and short duration, John 4:13; 6:27.
- Earthly glory and honor are especially short-lived, 1 Peter 1:24; John 5:44.
- Even our money is subject to theft, loss, devaluation or decay, Matthew 6:19; 1 Peter 1:7; 1 Timothy 6:17.
- The world shall pass away and all the lusts thereof, 1 John 2:17.
- The heavens shall pass away with a great noise, the elements shall be dissolved with fervent heat, and the earth and the works therein shall be burned up, 2 Peter 3:10-12.
- **But our immortal and priceless souls (or spirits or inward men), made in the image of God, shall never cease to exist** (Ecclesiastes 12:7; Zechariah 12:1; Matthew 10:28). Such things as faith, love, devotion, loyalty, humility in God's service shall endure through eternity. Treasures laid up in heaven are secure (Matthew 6:20). The Son of God is able to guard that which we have committed unto Him (2 Timothy 1:12). We can lay up a good foundation against the time to come (1 Timothy 6:19). The apostle John wrote: *"But he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever"* (1 John 2: 17).

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