

Make the Most of Y-O-U-R Life

Text: James 4:14

Make the most of Y-O-U-R life. The following points tell us how:

I. Y-ield

... but yield yourselves unto the LORD (II Chron. 30:8).

A. Many Christians fail to yield themselves completely to God. They hold in reserve a portion of their life for selfish pursuits.

B. To make the most of our lives, we must yield all to God. We must give Him first place in every facet of life (Matt. 6:33).

II. O-bey

... obeying the truth through the Spirit unto unfeigned love of the brethren (I Peter 1:22).

A. Some Christians are not wholly obedient. They lack in love for God and fellow Christians.

B. To make the most of our life, we must obey the Lord implicitly. We must love God wholeheartedly and others also. We grow spiritually by "obeying the truth through the Spirit" (I Peter 1:22).

III. U-nite

"Endeavouring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace" (Eph. 4:3).

A. Some people are disagreeable. They fail to live in harmony with their families and with other Christians. They make trouble for themselves and others.

B. We must live in unity with others. We must strive to "live peaceably with all men" (Rom. 12:18).

IV. R-ejoice

"Rejoice in the Lord always." and again I say, Rejoice" (Phil.4:4).

A. Many Christians do not rejoice as much as they should.

They wear long faces and possess negative attitudes. They fail to live triumphantly.

B. To make the most of our lives, we must rejoice in the Lord.

The more we praise the Lord and exude a positive influence, the greater blessing we become and the more of God's blessings we receive.