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2 Corinthians 5:14-17

Living in Light of Eternity

Context: Meditations on the eternal (1):

- We anticipate a resurrection body. (2-5)
- We live by faith during this present life. (6-8)
- We live to please Christ (9-10).
- We minister to others with a fear of God (11).
 - o This is not self-promotion (12-13).
 - o This is Christ-devotion (14-15).
- We see others with eternal vision (16-17).

1. One Final Motive: The Love of Christ (14-15)

A. A Gripping Compulsion: We are controlled by the love of Christ.

1. He sacrifices in love.
2. We are obligated in love.

B. A Logical Conclusion: We are convinced by the substitution of Christ.

1. Christ died for us.
2. We must live for Christ.

2. One Final Action: We acknowledge spiritual reality. (16-17)

- A. We see others differently.
- B. We see ourselves differently