Live in the Present: Right Here and Right Now

Many people want to live in the future because they're discontented with the present. This is the reason for their attraction to horoscopes, tarot card readers, crystal ball gazers, etc.

Most Christians are also more interested in the future than the present. That's because they're looking to die so they can have 'eternal life' and live in Heaven. The same propensity for knowing the future also manifests among many, as they chase prophets and prophetic words.

We know from Father's training that the Kingdom is already here and that's where we should be focused every day. Also, we're not looking to die, but to live 'age-long' lives right now.

Father has recently reinforced this with the following reminder:

""You can make plans for the future, but you must live and be present right here and right now. Your plans are not yet reality. Stay real and deal with the issues that present themselves today, one minute at a time. That is where you can exercise your faith and trust that I am indeed with you," says the Lord."²

That means our focus must be on the Trinity and the here-&-now, not the future. That's where we should pay attention, not wishing to be somewhere else, especially somewhere in the future.

Father also relayed that to us, recently:

""Stay current. You might need to run to catch up, but it will be worth the effort. Trying to live in the past never works. Live today by paying attention to what is and what needs to be done now so that you can be obedient to my leading," says the Lord. "Do your best to live and walk in the Spirit.""³

Get the message?

Forget about dying, going to Heaven, what's in the future, etc. Focus on the priorities we've been given – the King, the Kingdom, and the King's plans – and we'll be informed about the future when he decides that we need to know something about it.

Of course, his two messages above contain nothing new for us. Previously, he's said:

"I don't need to alarm you by telling you the things that are coming, because it's not your prerogative to know everything. Your responsibility is to operate and function where you know you have to, and where I show you, and leave the rest to me. I know it's human's inquisitive nature to want to know the future and what's going on, but that's not trusting me. Get over that. Get over the desire to want to know everything and to know the future. Live for today. Enjoy today. I've given you life, I've given you resources, I've given you family and friends, everything you need – including life in my Kingdom, which you should be drawing from as part of your safety mechanism⁴." 5

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^{1 –} The actual meaning of 'eternal' in Hebrew and Aramaic understanding.

SEE: "The 1st Century Concept of 'Eternity'" <u>canberraforerunners.org/wp-content/uploads/The-1st-Century-Concept-of-Eternity.pdf</u>

^{2 –} Marsha Burns "Small Straws in the Soft Wind" (Jan. 4, 2024) ft111.com/smallstraws.htm [ARCHIVE: ft111.com/straws2024.htm]

^{4 -} i.e. Your safety net. (SEE "Safety Net" canberraforerunners.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/CCOP-safety-net-message-may-2014.pdf)

^{5 -} CCOP MESSAGE: "Buckle-up" (9-9-2023) canberraforerunners.org/wp-content/uploads/MESSAGE-Buckle-up-9-9-2023.pdf