

Are You Prepared to Live or Die?

Are you prepared when it comes to living and dying? Deciding how to live is a choice we all make; to die is not. What are you willing to live and die for? That's the question the movie "United 93" presents to viewers in a well-crafted, heart racing, unveiling of the events of 9/11.

"United 93" has touched many people in a powerful way because it forces us to ask questions about the meaning of life, and death. For the Christian, it begs several questions: Are we willing to die for our God and His purposes? Faced with the challenges of life and the possibility of death, can we say "Let's Roll" for Jesus' sake? It means we stop worrying about ourselves and start becoming more concerned about being obedient to God.

Check out the attitude the apostle Paul had in the book of Philippians. "For I fully expect and hope that I will never be ashamed, but that I will continue to be bold for Christ, as I have been in the past. And I trust that my life will bring honor to Christ, whether I live or die. For to me, living means living for Christ, and dying is even better" (1:20-21).

Millions need answers to the daunting questions: How must I live today, and how can I be ready to die? Where is God in all the human tragedies and natural disasters we see happening around the world? For the Christian, "United 93" says one thing – It's time to get serious about telling others how they can experience God's love, peace and hope. But if you don't have a personal relationship with God, it's time to ask yourself why not? If you have not experienced God's love and forgiveness, death for you is like the black screen at the end of the movie "United 93."

Are you prepared to give an answer for the living and dying hope within you? It's been said that if you don't have anything worth dying for, you don't have anything worth living for. The only thing worth living and dying for is not a thing, but a person – Jesus.

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