

5. How does having an eternal perspective (an infinite mindset) help you face daily challenges?

6. What daily and weekly rhythms do you need to keep an infinite mindset throughout the day at work, with family, and at play?

7. Looking back over this week's sermon and study, what one thing is most important for you to remember and apply?

Missional Application

Parents and influencers are preparing kids for a life lived with God and on mission for him.

Christ Connection

In Christ we have eternal life that begins now.

Phase Series (Part 2)

“How to Impact the Next Generation with Your Limited Time” (Part 1)
Psalm 90

Teach us to number our days, that we may gain a heart of wisdom. (Psalm 90:12)

Psalm 90

The Psalm starts with praise and comes from an **infinite mindset** (vv. 1-2).

When we really get God's perspective, an eternal perspective, it changes everything!

How to Impact the Next Generation with Your Limited Time

1. Think infinite over finite.

Think of your finite, limited days in light of God's infinite, eternal timeline.

- Thinking infinite gives us needed perspective for meeting daily challenges and difficulties when raising kids.

Ask: Am I like a billionaire getting bent out of shape and losing sleep over misplaced change?

- Thinking infinite places primary value where God does—on the journey, not just the destination.

When we look at our daily lives in light of eternity—when we think infinite over finite—we learn to value the journey. And most of life is journey. Most of the times for influencing the next generations are journey times.

We should think about launching our kids into a life lived in relationship with God and on mission for God. It's about a life with God that begins now and extends into eternity. It's about a life lived for God and his glory. If our kids don't get this, then they won't really want heaven.

Family Discussion Questions

Five Oaks Kids is continuing on the series through the New Testament. This week and next, use these questions to explore some of the ideas from the sermon.

1. How should knowing life is eternal change our perspective when we face daily challenges and struggles? (Talk about the analogy of a billionaire getting bent out of shape by missing change.)
2. Think back to a family vacation or road trip. How was the journey an important part of the entire experience?
3. How is the journey of our Christian lives important, not just the destination of heaven?

Personal Reflection & Small Group Questions

Please complete this study on your own, then bring it to your small group for discussion.

1. Looking back over your notes from this week's sermon, what particularly caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?
2. Why is it so hard to keep eternity in mind while living our daily lives?
3. Read Psalm 90. Almost half of the Psalms are lament Psalms. Jews and Christians throughout history have used corporate lament as part of their worship. Not so today in many sectors of the church. Reflect on why this is so and what we might be missing when we fail to include lament in worship.
4. Why can numbering our days help us gain a heart of wisdom (Psalm 90:12)?