Overlooking Eternity

Scripture:

Deuteronomy 34:1-7 Hebrews 11:24-26 2 Peter 1:14

Introduction

Moses was a man who had spoken to God face to face. At the conclusion of his lifetime, God spoke to him telling him to go up into mount Nebo for his view of the promised land. It was there that he would die. Mount Nebo would place Moses on the very fringe of eternity.

When we are overlooking eternity, it makes us to:

I. Review the actions of the past

Ecclesiastes 12:1a Remember now, thy Creator....

- A. The moments of glory
 - 1. Two trips into Mount Sinai
 - 2. His victories over Egypt
- B. Moments of infamy
 - 1. The slaying of the Egyptian
 - 2. His striking the rock in anger--the error of consequence
- C. Review all your past

II. Get things into perspective

Philippians 3:13b-14 ...but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.

- A. What do your successes mean in terms of eternity?
- B. What have your failures cost you in life and eternity?
- C. Did God receive proper credit for your successes?

III. Adjust for your entrance into the promised land

<u>Deuteronomy 34:4b</u> ... I have caused you to see it with thine eyes, but thou shall not go over thither.

<u>Hebrews 12:1-2a</u> Wherefore seeing that we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight and the sin that doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race which is set before us, Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith....

- A. Moses excluded from entering into Canaan
 - 1. His sin--Numbers 20:12
 - 2. His presence at the transfiguration
- B. It is time to begin our sprint for the finish line

Ex: Kama Robinson's lap in the mile relay

- C. Realize that eternity is not far away
- D. Be prepared for eternity