

AT THE MOVIES 2011

The Bucket List



Two men are thrown together with only 6 months to live

There comes a season in our lives when we start to count the time that we have left. Heading to 90, we don't now how long we have to go.

James 4:14

What would you do differently if we knew we had six months to live?

Some may say "nothing" I am satisfied that those who I love know that I love them, I am happy with my eternal destination

Some may say "heaps" I have to forgive someone, get something right between someone, change something - our question is "why are you not doing that now?"

These two characters decide that they are not going to sit down and wait to die - they are going to have fun on the way, live life and have laughter, keep on living

John 10:10 Jesus says that I have come that you might have life. Jesus is the way the truth and the life

THE BUCKET LIST

- witness someone truly awesome
- kiss the prettiest girl in the world
- Help a complete stranger for the good
- laugh until you cry

They decide to do something out this for the last of their months - together

Edward - a self made man - built a multi million dollar business from nothing, full of pride, married 4 times and currently single, no family around only people who serve him for his money

Carter - married for 38 years and still is, all his family relationships are engaged and flourishing, sacrificed his dreams to support his family, a man of faith.

FAITH

Because Carter was a man of faith - it was in him and he wanted to share it. He just had faith

Edward was a tough nut to crack

We are told in the bible to share our faith

The joy of our salvation just oozes out from us

But we start taking a few knocks and get ridiculed and we stop sharing our faith

Jesus says that we can become 'fishes of men'

Fly fishing needs the bait just in the right spot.

We need to develop where to place the bait where our fish is at - Probe where people are at, starting with creation letting them know that there is a designer, then we can lead them further forward to Christ

Carter - He didn't waiver he just told it like he believed it

We don't save people, we just point the way to the Saviour.

Don't wait till the end to do what we know we should do now.

SEPARATION

Painful separation

Trick is - don't give up, pray for them, persevere with people

God is doing stuff with people and us

We need to pray about when to pick up the pieces with people

RECONCILIATION

Don't give up

Carter did this by a letter to Edward

JOY OF SALVATION

If we don't have any joy we don't have any strength and we can't do anything

Our well - We need to find this and keep out the dirt so that our well can become clear and we can then draw from it again

Psalms 37:3-4 delight yourself in the Lord and he will give you the desires of your heart