

# Nothing Long but Eternity

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Text: "*The heavens declare the glory of God . . .*" (Psalms 19:1).

[Editor's Note: I thought it would be interesting to put up some of Rev. Robinson's sermon outlines in original form. Most of them are not in good enough shape to scan like this, but this one works well as a scan. You will see typos and misspelled words and notes penciled in, some of which are illegible. Although he typed many of his sermons, the typewriter he used was quite primitive and makes the copy hard to read, especially with the aging of the paper, but it does give you a glimpse into his sermon preparation and delivery. Enjoy.]

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### I. The Fact of God

- a. The fool has said, "There is no God."
- b. Abraham discovered God in the stars.
- c. David said, "The Heavens declare the Glory of God."
- d. Job discovered the empty spaces in the north 4,000 years ago.
- e. An ancient astronomer of France didd exclaiming, "O that I could live again and study the stars with the Bible as a guide!"

The wisdom of man has attained and accomplished unbelievable impossibilities. He can defy gravitation, distance, depth, and power, but God has said that the Nations are as a "drop in the bucket" or "the dust of the balance.

### II. God's Lighting System

- a. The moon is our nearest neighbor. It is over 250,000 miles away. Walk 40 miles a day, and it would take 17 years to get to the moon.
- b. The sun is 92,000,000 miles away. Charter a fast train at the rate of 60 miles an hour, and it would take 177 years to get to the sun.
- c. Old Neptune is too far away for the naked eye to see. Three billion miles away. Charter a Flying Fortress, and it would take 3,000 years to get to Neptune.
- d. How many is a billion? Counting 100 every minute, day and night, it would take 19 years to count a billion.
- e. Light travels 186,000 miles a second. If you were to saddle a ray of light, you would be at the moon in 2 seconds.

- f. Not long ago, far out beyond the North Star, a planet was discovered. Get hold of a ray of light, it would take 150 years to get there.
- g. 3,000 stars can be seen with the eye, but with telescope, millions more. All of them moving at a rate of 1,000 miles a minute, but never have a mishap, never a traffic jam. The hands of God's time piece never vary a fraction of a second. They all obey His will. The mind of man goes reeling backward his wisdom becomes ignorance, his wits becomes foolishness, his reason leaves him, when he realizes that far out beyond the moon, sun, Saturn, Mars, Neptune, the North Star, The Milky Way, the Great Creator, the one who inhabiteth eternity, designed it all, orders every move of the lighting system, and between the two, cold barren mountain peaks of eternity, dropped an isthmus called time. God created man on this planet, gave him an immortal soul, gave His Son to save him from eternal hell, and gave him the capacity to live with Him in eternity and learn of the wonders of handiwork. Then you sit there on that seat with just an \_\_\_\_\_ between you and eternity, between you and God. God knows your name, your lives are numbers. You look God Almighty in the face and tell him you don't want his salvation, You won't even raise your hand for prayer, You want to curse more, drink more liquor, live like the Devil, when your life is ~~xxxx~~ but a span. For there is nothing long but Eternity!

III. Before Time Ever Was, Eternity Was, before man was ever made, while the earth was without form and and when time is a story, Eternity will go on.

a. We measure time by years, months, weeks, days, hours, minutes, seconds. We regulate everything we do by the hands of the clock. We go to work, by the clock, we catch the train, bus, and our lives are regulated by the clock; but, soon, the hour glass will be useless, the tick of the watch will be silent, the clock pendulum will cease to swing. We won't measure Eternity by years.

When you stand on the shores of that far flung land and look about you, the truth of my subject will come home to you. "Nothing Long But Eternity".

Men suffer with disease, but it will end.

Men lie in jail, but it will end.

All things, good and bad end, for There's Nothing Long But Eternity.

(The Manastery in Canada)

"Perry's Voyage to Land of Midnight Sun"

When you have been there ten billion years, and someone asks "Watchmen, what of the night?" Eternity has just begun.

When you are like brick in a kiln.