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“LIFT UP YOUR EYES, AND LOOK ON THE FIELDS; FOR THEY ARE WHITE ALREADY TO HARVEST.” — JOHN 4:35

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. . . and a pleasant greeting indeed to each and every listener of THE MISSION TRAIL broadcast. We hope that you are enjoying the spring weather wherever you may be hearing the sound of my voice. Not only that but we hope that you are enjoying God's love and sunshine in your heart too. Here's a song for you, "No tears in heaven".

Here now is our text. It is the same one we used on our last broadcast but we want to speak about the second part of it. Listen, "For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." Earlier we talked about the wages of sin and how some folks work so hard for such a little pay. But the second part of this sentence goes on to say that "the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord."

Say, have you heard about a few of the folks these days who are making plans to have their bodies frozen and placed in a cylinder containing liquid nitrogen at approximately 320 degrees below zero? This, of course, is being done after they die. You see there are 3 of these bodies already in cold storage, so we understand. Here is the way it works. Those who desire to participate in this plan take out an insurance policy for \$10,000. \$4,000 goes for buying the cylinder, \$1,000 for preparation of the body, etc. Now that leaves another \$5,000 to be placed in savings somewhere to draw interest a little of which will be used along to replace the nitrogen and other expenses.

Here then is what these folks are hoping for. Somewhere down through the years they are hoping that medical science will have the knowledge necessary to restore life to these bodies and actually bring them back to life again to live in this world. Does that sound a little far fetched to you? Would you like to invest \$10,000 in such a project? Of course, there might be some readjustment problems if such a thing should occur. The man might find that he had been gone so long from the earth that he would have to learn how to live all over again. Then another question might be whether the insurance company was happy about paying off if the folks really weren't dead. But this is enough of this kind of talk.

Let us go back to the scriptures. There are two things which people cannot avoid. It tells about both of them right here in Heb. 9:27, "And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment". Regardless of the advancement of medical science there is no avoiding death and let us not forget that, friends. This is an appointment of God and it is one which every one of us must keep. Of course there

