



To This End: Ultimate End

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Early on the first day of the week, *while it was still dark*, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the entrance. So she came *running* to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved, and said, “They have *taken the Lord* out of the tomb, and *we don’t know where they have put him!*” So Peter and the other disciple started for the tomb. *Both were running*, but the other disciple *outran* Peter and reached the tomb first.

John 20:1-4

I denied myself nothing my eyes desired; I refused my heart no pleasure. My heart took delight in all *my work*, and this was the reward for all my labor. Yet when I surveyed all that my hands had done and what I had toiled to achieve, everything was meaningless, *a chasing after the wind*; nothing was gained under the sun.

Ecclesiastes 2:10-11

Fame is like sea water. The more you drink, the thirstier you become.

Marilyn Monroe

The world is *passing away*, along with its *desires*; but whoever *does the will of God* remains forever.

1 John 2:17

Why do you look for the living among the dead?

Luke 24:5

Then the disciples went back to their homes, but Mary stood outside the tomb *crying*. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb and saw two angels in white, seated where Jesus' body had been, one at the head and the other at the foot. They asked her, "Woman, *why are you crying?*" "*They have taken my Lord away,*" she said, "and I don't know *where they have put him.*"

John 20:10-13

At this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not realize that it was Jesus. "Woman," he said, "*why are you crying?*"

John 20:14-15

God has set eternity in the hearts of men ...

Ecclesiastes 3:11

At this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not realize that it was Jesus. "Woman," he said, "why are you crying? *WHO is it you are looking for?*"

John 20:14-15

"Everyone who drinks this water *will be thirsty again*, but whoever drinks the water I give him *will never thirst*. Indeed, the water I give him will become in

him a spring of water welling up to eternal life.”

John 4:13-14

Then, *leaving her water jar*, the woman went back to the town and said to the people, “Come, see a man who told me everything I ever did. *Could this be the Christ?*”

John 4:28-29

What is more, I consider everything a loss compared to the surpassing greatness of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things.

Philippians 3:8

This is the end, but for me, it is the beginning.

Dietrich Bonhoeffer