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"He delights in mercy" (Micah 7:18)

Just The Facts

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One of the television programs I enjoyed watching as a child, and still occasionally watch on TV Land is the program, "Dragnet." Sergeant Friday just didn't pull any punches, did he. He was a man of few words and always wanted to get right to the heart of matters. "Just the facts," as he often stated.

Well, allow me to share with you four brief facts that get to the heart of the matter. Life is short. Death is certain. Judgment is promised. And Eternity is long. Those four statements make a short but succinct sermon.

James tells us that our life is like a vapor that appears for a little while and vanishes away (James 4:14). Both experience and the Bible teaches us that all men must die (Hebrews 9:27), and this same verse says that after death comes the judgment. Someday, God will pass judgment on our lives and will reward us with Heaven or sentence us to Hell for all eternity.

Friends, eternity is a long time - longer than we can even imagine. If you're not ready for death, the judgment, and eternity, then why don't you prepare for your inevitable meeting with God?