

John 12:25 (NLT2)

Those who love their life in this world will lose it. Those who care nothing for their life in this world will keep it for eternity.

Today's devotional will begin with something for all you geeks out there.

How far does an ant walk in one hour?

- Answer: An ant's speed is about 300 meters per hour (.19 miles per hour) and it would take an ant around 5 ½ hours to walk 1 mile.

What is the circumference of the earth?

- Approximately 24,900 miles

Cool beans, so why am I even posting this in a devotional? Good questions, and there is a means to my madness, so hang in there (Even if you are not a geek).

Let's say you took an ant and placed it down on the ground and wanted that ant to walk around the earth just one time. How long would it take?

- About **136,950 hours**
- Or **5,706 days**
- Or **15.63 years** (little over **15 ½ years**)

15 ½ years, that's how long it would take an ant to walk around the earth just one time? I'm only 60 years old, so that means an ant would have only walked around the earth 4 times in my lifetime, up to this point. "So what" you may be thinking. Hang in there with me just a little longer.

Now, let's say you put that same ant down on the ground and had it walk around the earth over, and over, and over, and over, and over, until it wore the path it was walking down to the center of the earth, how long do you think that would take? I would say hundreds of thousands of billions of years (give or take a few billion years).

Yet the time it would take an ant to walk around the earth and wear it down to the center, is just a beginning of time, as far as eternity is concerned.

But for us as humans knowing that things on the earth come to an end, including death, it's hard for us to comprehend eternity. Even with my example, it still doesn't really help us understand something we can't see. But regardless, there are people right now who are experiencing hell for all eternity, and looking at our ant example, that's a long, long, long, long, long time.

But on the other hand there are those who are experiencing eternity in heaven right now. I don't know about you, but I am so looking forward to experiencing eternity in heaven with my Lord and Savior Jesus, where time no longer has no control over us.

My question for you today is, do you know where you are going for all eternity, and if you do, do you know why?

Maybe you think you are going to spend eternity in heaven, based upon your good works, the things you do for others and for being just a nice or good person. Sorry, but that's a lie from the pit of hell, because the bible is very clear that the only way to make it to heaven is through Jesus Christ and Him alone.

† **John 14:6 Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me."**

Hell is trying everything it can to deceive you and cause you to go to hell when you die. But the choice is yours whether you believe those lies or not, and what you truly believe in (A lie from hell, or the truth from the word of God) will determine your eternity.

So next time you see an ant walking on the ground, just watch it and ponder this and ask yourself if you really know for sure where you are going to end up for all eternity, and why.

If you are not sure, today is the day to know for sure where you are going.

If you want hell, then do nothing and you will be there for all eternity, and once you are there, you will know why you are there.

But if you want to go to heaven, then call on the name of the Lord, ask for His forgiveness and repent of your sins, and you will be in heaven for eternity. Then after you call upon the Lord to save you, and when you make it, you will know why you are there, and that why is because what Jesus did on the cross for you, and me too.

2 Corinthians 6:2 *For He says: "In an acceptable time I have heard you, And in the day of salvation I have helped you." Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.*