The Eternal Life

Scripture—1st John 5:11
"God hath given unto us eternal and this life is in his son".

Duration is needful to the thought of fullness in life. We cannot associate great fullness with the thought of brief time. The insect, bee, baby even a man who lives his threescore and ten years does not have the fullness. "Life as a vapor" Yesterday out of the unknown, today a brief journey across the continent of time, tomorrow. It is a perfectly natural longing. God can satisfy it.

1- Our Existence is Eternal
"He that believeth on me shall never die" (John 11:26) Death does not end all Our spirits are eternal. Mark Hopkins. The story of Socrates Death. Plato's comparison of the soul to a white and black steed. The body is our Humbling.

2- Our Riches Are Eternal
A stone has existence but not eternal life. men on the street today. What is eternal Life? "This eternal life, that they might know thee, The only True God" (John 17:3) Eternal life is eternal existence plus God in the soul.
And to know God that is eternal life. And therefore our riches are eternal. The Rich Fool in Luke "So is he that is not rich towards God" Luke 12:20-21)

Peter heals the man at the Gate Beautiful. Peter was rich toward God.

3- Our Love is Eternal

"Love never faileth, but whether there be prophecies, they shall fail; whether there be tongues, they shall cease; whether there be knowledge, it shall vanish away. For we know in part and we prophesy in part. But when that which is perfect is come, then that which is in part shall be done away." (1st Corr. 13:8-10)

Temporal things pass away.

4- Our Fruitage is Eternal. "I have chosen you that ye should go and bear fruit, and that your fruit should abide" (John 15:16)

In Lockport, N.Y. there lived many years ago a man named Graves. He leads Samuel Sayford to Christ. Sayford led C.K. Ober to Christ. C.K. Ober led John R. Mott to Christ. Mott has led hundreds around the globe to Christ. Story of the humble Sunday School teacher who led Robert Morrison to Christ.