Introduction: the motivation of being eternally-minded
- Galatians 6:9-10
- Matthew 6:19-20
- 2nd Corinthians 4:1-18
- Hebrews 6:10; 10:32-36; 11:13-16, 8-10, 24-26
- 2nd Timothy 4:7-8

I. Why follow the hope of those who died? v. 29
   A. This verse is not talking about being baptized for the benefit of someone who has died
   B. It is describing people coming to Christ and being baptized to follow the hope of those who have died

II. Why make sacrifices for Christ? vv. 30-32
   A. Paul’s life was regularly in jeopardy vv. 30-32a
   B. If there is no future, spend life partying v. 32b

III. Why should we be careful re: friends? vv. 33-34
   A. Now-only minded people can impact us v. 33
   B. An eternal focus should awaken us v. 34

Concluding application: It is worth it! - 1 Cor. 15:58