

# Evening Reflections

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Do you remember learning about the R's in school? I don't mean Reading, wRiting and aRithmetic. I'm talking about **Redemption, Responsibility and Resurrection.**

The basis for these three R's is found in my favorite Bible verse, John 3:16. "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life."

The first R is for Redemption and redemption is free to everyone. Redemption will not just come to you; you must ask for it. Also, it doesn't cost anything. All you must do is ask for it. Simply asking Jesus to become Lord and Savior is all you must do to receive redemption.

Responsibility is the second of the three R's. Only you are responsible for your actions. Once you have received redemption, you are responsible to live your life that God has given you. We all have freewill to do as we like, but God

wants us to be His responsible children. We may live in this world, but we do not have to live with the world. Each of us will be judged for our actions. So, make sure your actions will stand the test of judgement. Jesus will return one day to gather all His Father's children. Don't be left behind.

Resurrection is the last of the three R's. 1 Thessalonians 4:16-18 reads "For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus, we shall always be with the Lord."

You must be ready for the coming of the Lord. We do not know the time of His return. It will happen in a twinkling of an eye. I, for one, do not want to miss this chance to be with God. That is our responsibility to be ready for the coming of the Lord. I urge everyone to be ready.

## THE THREE R'S