

Psalm 39:4, “LORD, make me to know mine end, and the measure of my days, what it is; that I may know how frail I am.”



***Life is short, smile
while you still have
teeth. (A little humor to go
with our lesson)***

One day during my morning devotions, I wrote down these two verses and also wrote beside them what my heart felt. We know that inside us lives the Holy Spirit and that during our devotion time He talks to our hearts in sweet fellowship.

Each week, I read not only these verses but what they meant to me. I never want to forget what He taught me that day nor the message.

Psalm 39:3-4

My heart was hot within me,

(I was on fire for God and wanted to know him better than I do right now...)

While I was musing the fire burned:

(Thinking on God and His goodness caused my heart to yearn for Him...)

Then spake I with my tongue,

(I cried unto God in prayer...)

LORD, make me to know mine end,

(Show me if I am on the right path for You, guide me, teach me...)

And the measure of my days, what it is;

(My life is but a short while – a vapour...)

That I may know how frail I am.

(Help me be busy about Your work! I have no time to waste.)

1 Thessalonians 4:1, “Furthermore then we beseech you, brethren, and exhort you by the Lord Jesus, that as ye have received of us how ye ought to walk and to please God, so ye would abound more and more.”

We should yearn to ‘abound more and more’. Realizing what remaining little time we have on earth can motivate us to abound.

In this verse, I found it interesting the phrase 'make me'. So I decided to search the Bible for other uses of this phrase.

Psalms 119:27, "**Make me to understand the way of thy precepts:** so shall I talk of thy wondrous works."

Psalms 119:35, "**Make me to go in the path of thy commandments;** for therein do I delight."

Job 13:23, "How many are mine iniquities and sins? **Make me to know my transgression and my sin.**"

Psalms 39:4, "Lord, **make me to know mine end, and the measure of my days,** what it is; that I may know how frail I am."

Psalms 39:8, "Deliver me from all my transgressions: **make me not the reproach of the foolish.**"

Psalms 51:6, "Behold, thou desirest truth in the inward parts: and in the hidden part thou shalt **make me to know wisdom.**"

Psalms 51:8, "**Make me to hear joy and gladness;** that the bones which thou hast broken may rejoice."

Habakkuk 3:19, "The LORD God is my strength, and he will **make my feet like hind's feet,** and he will **make me to walk upon mine high places.** To the chief singer on my stringed instruments."

Matthew 8:2, "And, behold, there came a leper and worshipped him, saying, Lord, if thou wilt, thou canst **make me clean.**"

Acts 2:28, "Thou hast made known to me the ways of life; thou shalt **make me full of joy with thy countenance.**"

Now, try something: Read back through these verses but only read the words in bold. Occasionally, I will do this as I am praying and pleading for God to 'make me' into a better person.