



## *Pastor's Comments*

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### **Later May Be "Too Late"**

Evangelist D. L. Moody had a class of young men. He had won most of them to Christ, but one had refused to yield. One day he spoke to him, urging him to make his decision. "Listen, Mr. Moody," replied the young man, "I'm going west, and **after I have made my fortune**, when I return, I promise you **I will accept Christ.**" Some **weeks later** the young man became seriously ill and was taken to the hospital. Moody visited him and again urged him to receive Jesus Christ. But once more, this time in a feeble voice, he refused, repeating what he had previously told the Evangelist.

After recovering, the young man one day walked briskly up to Moody's veranda, extended his hand and said, "I have come to say good-by. I am leaving for the west." Moody laid his hand on his shoulder, and again spoke to him, urging the claims of Christ. The young man became angry and shaking off the hand of the evangelist, he retorted: "Mr. Moody, **never speak to me again about my soul's salvation.** I have promised you to make the decision when I have returned, but **not before.** Good-by!"

**That night** Moody was awakened by a loud knocking on his door. It was the wife of the young man he had spoken to that afternoon. "Oh, Mr. Moody," she cried, her voice filled with anguish, "come quickly. My husband is desperately sick, and I am afraid. Please come at once." Moody got dressed and went. As he mounted the steps he saw the young man lying on his back on the bed, his eyes wide open but apparently unconscious of those around him. As he approached, he heard him uttering just two words: "**Too late! Too late!**" Kneeling by his side, Moody grasped his hand, opened a Bible and started to pray. But the young man just kept crying out "**Too late**" and within a few minutes he died!

The Bible says, "...**Today if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts**" (Hebrews 4:7).

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