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Unwanted messages come to all of us. Tough stuff. That’s reality. No sense pretending that there is some way to do everything right to guarantee the phone will never ring with bad news. Certainly, there are things to do to avoid a lot of heartache, but Jesus taught consistently that life in this world will come with tough messages and painful experiences for everyone! John the Baptist, all the Apostles and Jesus, Himself suffered through a lot of stuff and we will too.

The question for us is, in knowing this, how will we choose to live?

- A) Fearful? Locked down in disillusion and dread? Or,
- B) All out – living life to the fullest, spending our time, energy and resources helping the poor, fighting for the justice of orphans, widows and children – and looking forward to the peace and joy of the eternal life ahead? I’ll pick “B”. How ‘bout you?

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