Many are saying that civilization is standing on the threshold of a New World order. And indeed, as we survey the uncertain political, religious, and social climate of the world it is evident that “today” we are at an important crossroad of history.

And what is history? It is no more than the todays that have passed on to become yesterdays. It is the story of men and women of the past and how they lived their “todays.” Some have passed from the scene leaving no significant mark on the world to identify them. Others have left a legacy that has caused their names to become household words in succeeding generations. Their decisions and actions in politics, religion, military campaigns, the arts, philosophy, sports, etc., have caused them to be remembered as famous or infamous. But whether unknown or known as heroes or scoundrels, as talented or inept, regardless of their field of endeavor, all who have ever lived have been engaged in one common battle—the battle for the minds and souls of men and women.

And “today”, as we face a new era of world history, there is an urgent need for the true Church of Jesus Christ, the Body of Christ, to be about the business God has called us to, the work of ministry. And this is a work that every believer is called to be actively involved in (see Ephesians 4:11-16).

Each generation of believers is responsible to boldly make known the message of reconciliation in Jesus Christ (I Corinthians 15:3-5; II Corinthians 5:14-21), preaching Christ according to the revelation of the mystery (Romans 16:25; Ephesians 3:8-9). And it is equally important to remember that each generation is also responsible to train those who will follow them as the leaders of tomorrow (II Timothy 2:1-2).

For each of us our “yesterdays” are gone, they are history. Only while they were our “todays” could we use them. And remember, today was the tomorrow of yesterday, and tomorrow will soon be yesterday. So, if we would have our lives count for Christ we must take action today. It is too late for yesterday, and who knows what tomorrow might bring. Let us take advantage of today while it is today.

While the identities of the vast majority of those who have gone before us are lost in obscurity to human history, all of those who are “in Christ” will one day be manifest in glory with Him. What are you doing with you “todays,” your opportunity to make Him known to a needy, lost, and confused world?