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### THE DANGERS OF A "FALSE" ALARM CLOCK

C. H. Spurgeon, the great preacher, in order to press home upon sinners their need to act today upon God's command to repent and believe the gospel, tells the following story.

I was once in a country town, and I said to my host when I went to bed, "I have to be in London tomorrow, and I cannot get up in time for my work unless I leave by train which I can catch readily enough if you wake me at six." Well my host woke me at five o'clock and told me I had another hour to sleep. The consequence was that I missed my train. If he had only woke me at the proper time and said, "Now you must get up," I should have dressed at once; but as he said, "You have only another hour to sleep," of course I slept, being weary.

The same principle applies to you. If I say to you, "Go home and think it over all the week," I shall be giving you a week in which to rebel against God, and I have no right to do that. I shall be giving you a week to continue an unbeliever; and he that is an unbeliever is in peril of eternal ruin, for "he that believeth not shall be damned." Worse than all, the week may lead to many other weeks, to months, perhaps years, perchance a whole eternity of woe. I cannot give you five minutes. God the Holy Ghost speaks by me now to souls whom God hath chosen from before the foundation of the world and He says, "Today if will hear His voice, harden not your hearts." The Holy Ghost says, "Today, even today." My friend, do not slumber away your life. Call now upon Christ for mercy and be saved.