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 - B. Why?
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 2. You will have to give account of your careless _____ on the Last Great Day.
- III. Examples (10-11)
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