

Time

So teach us to number our days, that we may apply our hearts unto wisdom. Psalm 90:12

-Time is a gift of God and is to be used to glorify Him. If God will give us hearts that are aware of the brevity of life, it will tend to drive us to use our time more wisely.

It is better to go to the house of mourning, than to go to the house of feasting: for that is the end of all men; and the living will lay it to his heart. Sorrow is better than laughter: for by the sadness of the countenance the heart is made better. The heart of the wise is in the house of mourning; but the heart of fools is in the house of mirth. Ecclesiastes 7:2-4

-Sobering events in our lives are of more spiritual value than events which are empty and vain, because the sad and tragic times of life cause us to reflect on our final end and therefore drive us toward making better use of time.

See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, redeeming the time, because the days are evil. Ephesians 5:15-16

Walk in wisdom toward them that are without, redeeming the time. Colossians 4:5

-Time is worth being bought back. We can do this by using it wisely. One who wastes time, wastes something that God has given them. Time redeemed counts for eternity, but time wasted brings embarrassment and shame.

And it came to pass, that when he was returned, having received the kingdom, then he commanded these servants to be called unto him, to whom he had given the money, that he might know how much every man had gained by trading. Then came the first, saying, Lord, thy pound hath gained ten pounds. And he said unto him, Well, thou good servant: because thou hast been faithful in a very little, have thou authority over ten cities. And the second came, saying, Lord, thy pound hath gained five pounds. And he said likewise to him, Be thou also over five cities.

And another came, saying, Lord, behold, here is thy pound, which I have kept laid up in a napkin: For I feared thee, because thou art an austere man: thou takest up that thou layedst not down, and reapest that thou didst not sow. And he saith unto him, Out of thine own mouth will I judge thee, thou wicked servant. Thou knewest that I was an austere man, taking up that I laid not down, and reaping that I did not sow: Wherefore then gavest not thou my money into the bank, that at my coming I might have required mine own with usury? And he said unto them that stood by, Take from him the pound, and give it to him that hath ten pounds. (And they said unto him, Lord, he hath ten pounds.) For I say unto you, That unto every one which hath shall be given; and from him that hath not, even that he hath shall be taken away from him.

Luke 19:15-26

-Each Christian is a steward of everything that God gives them and part of their responsibility is the management of time. God holds us accountable for how we handle it.