



Managing My Tomorrows

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Live life, then, with a due sense of responsibility, not as men who do not know the meaning and purpose of life but as those who do. Make the best use of your time, despite all the difficulties of these days.

- Ephesians 5:15-16 PH

THREE PRINCIPLES OF TIME MANAGEMENT

1. Time Management is Life Management.

...those who have been given a trust must prove faithful.

- 1 Corinthians 4:2 NIV

2. My Problem Isn't Time; It's My Choices.

There is a right time and a right way to do everything, but we know so little!

- Ecclesiastes 8:6 GNT

3. Time Management Can Be Learned.

Teach us to number our days and recognize how few they are; help us to spend them as we should. - Psalm 90:12 TLB

TIME MANAGEMENT PRINCIPLES FROM EPHESIANS

1. Analyze My Lifestyle.

Look carefully then how you walk! Live purposefully and worthily and accurately, not as the unwise and witless, but as wise (sensible, intelligent people)... - Ephesians 5:15 AMPC

Haggai 1:7; Psalm 119:59

2. Utilize the Present.

Make the most of your opportunities because these are evil days.

- Ephesians 5:16 GW

If you wait for perfect conditions, you will never get anything done.

- Ecclesiastes 11:4 TLB

USE TODAY... **(A Crosswind Vision Process)**

- To Worship Jesus.

This is the day that the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad today!

- Psalm 118:24 NCV

- To Engage in Spiritual Community.

...encourage each other every day while it is "today." Help each other so none of you will become hardened because sin has tricked you. - Hebrews 3:13 NCV

- To Serve Others in Love.

Do all you can for everyone who deserves your help. Don't tell your neighbor to come back tomorrow, if you can help today. - Proverbs 3:27-28 CEV

- To Share My Faith.

Be wise in the way you act with people who are not believers. Use your time in the best way you can. - Colossians 4:5 ICB

TIME MANAGEMENT PRINCIPLES FROM EPHESIANS, CONTINUED...

3. Prioritize What's Important.

...do not be vague and thoughtless and foolish, but understanding and firmly grasping what the will of the Lord is. - Ephesians 5:17 AMPC

- I have just enough time to do the will of God.

4. Economize Your Energy.

And don't get drunk with wine, which leads to reckless actions, but be filled by the Spirit. - Ephesians 5:18 HCSB

Use your energy to serve the Lord. - Romans 12:11 GW

I may do anything, but everything is not useful ...or constructive.

- 1 Corinthians 10:23 Phillips

I'm completely worn out; my time has been wasted. - Isaiah 49:4 CEV

Luke 21:34 MSG; Romans 13:14 MSG

This is the hour to receive God's favor; today is the day to be saved!

- 2 Corinthians 6:2 GNT

My Next Step This Week...

- ☐ *Memorize Ephesians 5:15-16.*
- ☐ *Employ Ephesians' four principles of time management as I plan my calendar daily, weekly, monthly, and yearly.*
- ☐ *Give my life to Jesus as Savior and Lord, for the first time.*