

Guardians of Tomorrow : Time 14 April

Content:

We are discussing the importance of time. That God's view of time and ours is very different. How should we use our time? Are we too busy? Are we too lazy? Are we focused on what God wants for our lives?

Key Scriptures:

Ecclesiastes 3:1-11,14

'For everything there is a season, a time for every activity under heaven.

A time to be born and a time to die.

A time to plant and a time to harvest.

A time to kill and a time to heal.

A time to tear down and a time to build up.

A time to cry and a time to laugh.

A time to grieve and a time to dance.

A time to scatter stones and a time to gather stones.

A time to embrace and a time to turn away.

A time to search and a time to quit searching.

A time to keep and a time to throw away.

A time to tear and a time to mend.

A time to be quiet and a time to speak.

A time to love and a time to hate.

A time for war and a time for peace.

What do people really get for all their hard work?

I have seen the burden God has placed on us all.

Yet God has made everything beautiful for its own time.

He has planted eternity in the human heart, but even so, people cannot see the whole scope of God's work from beginning to end.

And I know that whatever God does is final.

Nothing can be added to it or taken from it.

Ephesians 4:15

'Instead, we will speak the truth in love, growing in every way more and more like Christ, who is the head of his body, the church. '

Ephesians 5:15 "Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, making the best use of the time.

Main Points:

- For good time management we need to look at the following 3 "P's"
- Purpose: What is the purpose of our time on earth?
- Priorities: What exactly do we prioritise in our lives?
- Plan: What is God's plan with our lives and are we able to plan accordingly?

Discussion questions:

- 1) Are you aware that our idea of time and God's idea of time is vastly different?
- 2) How exactly does it differ?
- 3) Our primary purpose in life is to become Christlike. How are you doing on this journey?
- 4) What are a few of your main priorities in life and can you work on streamlining your schedule?
- 5) Have you ever considered God's plan for your life?
- 6) Are you willing to allow God to speak to you about how He sees your life unfolding?

Conclusion:

We live in a very busy world and navigating our time can often be very confusing. There are moments where we need to graft and work. There are moments we need to rest. There are moments we are escalated and others in the wilderness. It is vitally important that we ask Holy Spirit where we are at in our journey of time and what is our next, He is faithful to show you and give you wisdom. If all else fails remember to pray while you remain, until God moves you.