

## “What Time is It?”

### **Ecclesiastes 3:1-13**

- 1 *For everything there is a season,  
a time for every activity under heaven.*
- 2 *A time to be born and a time to die.  
A time to plant and a time to harvest.*
- 3 *A time to kill and a time to heal.  
A time to tear down and a time to build up.*
- 4 *A time to cry and a time to laugh.  
A time to grieve and a time to dance.*
- 5 *A time to scatter stones and a time to gather stones.  
A time to embrace and a time to turn away.*
- 6 *A time to search and a time to quit searching.  
A time to keep and a time to throw away.*
- 7 *A time to tear and a time to mend.  
A time to be quiet and a time to speak.*
- 8 *A time to love and a time to hate.  
A time for war and a time for peace.*

Hustle is not inherently a bad thing

- Putting forward our best effort
- Working hard
- Shooting for excellence

When we allow a Hustle Mentality to overtake us...we are heading down a path towards burnout

- not only physically, emotionally, and relationally  
also spiritually!

Is it time to say no to some things?

Is it time to say yes to some things?

### **James 4:13-15**

**13** Now listen, you who say, “Today or tomorrow we will go to this or that city, spend a year there, carry on business and make money.” **14** Why, you do not even know what will happen tomorrow. What

is your life? You are a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes.

How do we decide what makes it onto the calendar?

## **Serving**

### **1 Peter 4:10**

As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace.

### **John 13:12-14**

When he had washed their feet and put on his outer garments and resumed his place, he said to them, "Do you understand what I have done to you? You call me Teacher and Lord, and you are right, for so I am. If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet.

### **Ephesians 2:10**

For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

### **Hebrews 13:16**

Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

The Church is designed to be a cooperative missionary effort

a cohort of people from all walks of life, skill sets and giftings

All coming together to spread the gospel of eternal salvation to be found through Jesus!

Is your God called service in its proper place on your priority list?

Does your calendar reflect this?

## **So What Time is It?**

Is it your time to step out into the service that God designed you to do?

When you find your spot of service

it will fill you in ways that hustle and busyness never will!

## **Not Serving**

### **Exodus 20:8-11**

8 “Remember to observe the Sabbath day by keeping it holy. 9 You have six days each week for your ordinary work, 10 but the seventh day is a Sabbath day of rest dedicated to the Lord your God. On that day no one in your household may do any work. This includes you, your sons and daughters, your male and female servants, your livestock, and any foreigners living among you. 11 For in six days the Lord made the heavens, the earth, the sea, and everything in them; but on the seventh day he rested. That is why the Lord blessed the Sabbath day and set it apart as holy.

### **Isaiah 58:13-14**

“If you keep your feet from breaking the Sabbath  
and from doing as you please on my holy day,  
if you call the Sabbath a delight  
and the Lord’s holy day honorable,  
and if you honor it by not going your own way  
and not doing as you please or speaking idle words,  
then you will find your joy in the Lord,  
and I will cause you to ride in triumph on the heights of the land  
and to feast on the inheritance of your father Jacob.”  
For the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

Is your busyness blocking God’s blessing for you?

Busyness often makes us feel like we’re accomplishing something important

-That feeling can be counterfeit

-We often use activity to numb ourselves of our need for intimacy with God

One reason it can be so hard to eliminate busyness

-we often put our identity in what we do....not who we are.

### **Genesis 1:27**

God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male and female He

created them.

You are an IMAGE BEARER of the most high God.  
Does your schedule honor God's plan for you  
keeping a rhythm of sabbaths?

If not...what needs to change to make this happen?

There is a refreshing of our spirit when we take that weekly time to say that God's agenda is more important than our own.

### **Exodus 34:21**

"You have six days each week for your ordinary work, but on the seventh day you must stop working, even during the seasons of plowing and harvest.

### **Morning Devotionals**

#### **Matthew 6:33**

"But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you."

"All these things" refers to the previous 32 verses that cover financial provision, food, clothing, relationship...all of our actual NEEDS.

#### **Psalm 1:1-2**

Blessed is the one

who does not walk in step with the wicked  
or stand in the way that sinners take  
or sit in the company of mockers,  
but whose delight is in the law of the LORD,  
and who meditates on his law day and night.

#### **Mark 1:35**

Very early in the morning, while it was still dark, Jesus got up, left the house and went off to a solitary place, where he prayed.

If Jesus took time every morning to stay connected to God

we probably should as well

Start every day taking some time to align yourself with God

-through prayer

-through the study of his Word

What would happen if you gave God a voice in your schedule?

If you truly walked and lived life at the pace of

love

grace

not only for others but for yourself as well!