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EPHESIANS 5:15-17

**IS HOW WE USE OUR TIME INTENDED BY GOD TO BE  
ONE OF THE HIGHEST CONSIDERATIONS OF EACH DAY?**

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15 Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise,

16 making the best use of the time, because the days are evil.

17 Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is.

Ephesians 5:15-17 (ESV)

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**DO YOU KNOW THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN TRYING TO DO  
GOOD EACH DAY AND ACTUALLY WALKING CAREFULLY?**

**1. TO TRULY FOLLOW CHRIST MEANS WE WILL HAVE TO HAVE THE HIGHEST LEVEL OF AWARENESS OF HOW WE ARE LIVING.**

**QUESTION: IS LIVING URGENTLY A REQUIREMENT FROM GOD FOR A CHRISTIAN OR AN OPTION? (“LOOK CAREFULLY” - “BLEPETE” - IMPERATIVE)**

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**2. CHRISTIANS ARE TO BE PEOPLE WHO CONSIDER WHAT THEY DO WITH THEIR TIME AS SACRED.**

**3. WHAT YOU DO WITH YOUR TIME EACH DAY REVEALS YOUR THEOLOGY.**

**QUESTION: DO YOU VIEW TIME AS "GOD GIVEN"?**

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**4. PAUL CONNECTS WHAT YOU DO WITH YOUR TIME AS BEING ONE OF THE  
PRIMARY WAYS YOU ENSURE YOU ARE NOT UNWISE.**

**QUESTION: ACCORDING TO PAUL, WHAT IS IT TO BE FOOLISH?**

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**5. UNDERSTANDING THE WILL OF GOD IS THE WAY TO MAKE SURE WE ARE NOT FOOLISH AND THAT WE ARE NOT WASTING TIME.**

**(NOTE THAT HE DOESN'T JUST WANT US TO KNOW BUT UNDERSTAND)**

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**6. TOO MANY CHRISTIANS HAVE THE IDEA THAT DISCOVERING GOD'S WILL IS A MYSTICAL EXPERIENCE THAT RULES OUT CLEAR THINKING!**

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**7. WE DISCOVER THE WILL OF GOD AS HE TRANSFORMS THE MIND (ROM. 12:1-2). THIS TRANSFORMATION IS THE RESULT OF THE WORD OF GOD, PRAYER, MEDITATION, AND WORSHIP.**

**QUESTION: HOW DO I LIVE MAKE SURE I AM LIVING URGENTLY?**

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**JAMES 4:14- "YET YOU DO NOT KNOW WHAT TOMORROW WILL BRING. WHAT IS YOUR LIFE? FOR YOU ARE A MIST THAT APPEARS FOR A LITTLE TIME AND THEN VANISHES."**

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**8. STOP SPENDING AS MUCH TIME LOOKING FOR FUTURE OPPORTUNITIES AND START TAKING THE ONES WE HAVE RIGHT NOW AND MAKING THEM COUNT! (FOR THE KINGDOM)**

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**ECCLESIASTES 3:9-15- “WHAT GAIN HAS THE WORKER FROM HIS TOIL? 10 I HAVE SEEN THE BUSINESS THAT GOD HAS GIVEN TO THE CHILDREN OF MAN TO BE BUSY WITH. 11 HE HAS MADE EVERYTHING BEAUTIFUL IN ITS TIME. ALSO, HE HAS PUT ETERNITY INTO MAN'S HEART, YET SO THAT HE CANNOT FIND OUT WHAT GOD HAS DONE FROM THE BEGINNING TO THE END. 12 I PERCEIVED THAT THERE IS NOTHING BETTER FOR THEM THAN TO BE JOYFUL AND TO DO GOOD AS LONG AS THEY LIVE; 13 ALSO THAT EVERYONE SHOULD EAT AND DRINK AND TAKE PLEASURE IN ALL HIS TOIL —THIS IS GOD'S GIFT TO MAN. 14 I PERCEIVED THAT WHATEVER GOD DOES ENDURES FOREVER; NOTHING CAN BE ADDED TO IT, NOR ANYTHING TAKEN FROM IT. GOD HAS DONE IT, SO THAT PEOPLE FEAR BEFORE HIM. 15 THAT WHICH IS, ALREADY HAS BEEN; THAT WHICH IS TO BE, ALREADY HAS BEEN; AND GOD SEEKS WHAT HAS BEEN DRIVEN AWAY.”**

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**ECCLESIASTES 12:13-14-“THE END OF THE MATTER; ALL HAS BEEN HEARD. FEAR GOD AND KEEP HIS  
COMMANDMENTS, FOR THIS IS THE WHOLE DUTY OF MAN. 14 FOR GOD WILL BRING EVERY DEED INTO  
JUDGMENT, WITH EVERY SECRET THING, WHETHER GOOD OR EVIL.”**

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**9. IF THE DAY'S ARE EVIL HOW CAN WE EXPECT TO LIVE ANY OTHER WAY UNLESS WE DON'T REALLY SEE THE URGENCY OF THE EVIL. EVIL IS URGENT. WE NEED TO SURPASS THE URGENCY OF EVIL'S AGENDA.**

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