

# **A Vision for Disciplemaking**

## *Key Men's Conference*

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### **Stewardship of Time**

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*"Then said Jesus unto them: When ye have lifted up the Son of man, then shall ye know that I am he, and that I do nothing of myself; but as my Father hath taught me, I speak these things. And He that sent me is with me: the Father hath not left me alone, for I do always those things that please Him." John 8:28-29*

# Stewardship of Time

## I. Key Principle & Bible Passage On Time (for me) \_\_\_\_\_

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## II. Second Key Principle & Passage - \_\_\_\_\_

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## III. Other Key Verses - \_\_\_\_\_

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### Use of Time

Mark 2:27-28 (NRSV) "Then he said to them, "The sabbath was made for humankind, and not humankind for the sabbath; so the Son of Man is lord even of the sabbath."

Eph 5:15-16 (NRSV) "Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil."

### God is in Control of Time

James 4:13-15 (NRSV) "Come now, you who say, "Today or tomorrow we will go to such and such a town and spend a year there, doing business and making money. "Yet you do not even know what tomorrow will bring. What is your life? For you are a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes. Instead you ought to say, "If the Lord wishes, we will live and do this or that."

Ecc 9:11 (NRSV) "Again I saw that under the sun the race is not to the swift, nor the battle to the strong, nor bread to the wise, nor riches to the intelligent, nor favor to the skillful; but time and chance happen to them all."

### **God's Balance Regarding Time**

Ecc 3:1-8 (NRSV) "For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven: a time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted; a time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build up; a time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance; a time to throw away stones, and a time to gather stones together; a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing; a time to seek, and a time to lose; a time to keep, and a time to throw away; a time to tear, and a time to sew; a time to keep silence, and a time to speak; a time to love, and a time to hate; a time for war, and a time for peace."

### **Time and Day**

2 Peter 3:8 "But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day [is] with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day."

Proverbs 27:1 "Boast not thyself of to morrow; for thou knowest not what a day may bring forth."

Psalms 145:2 "Every day will I bless thee; and I will praise thy name for ever and ever."

Psalms 118:24 "This [is] the day [which] the LORD hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it."

Psalms 96:2 "Sing unto the LORD, bless his name; shew forth his salvation every day."

Psalms 84:10 "For a day in thy courts [is] better than a thousand. I had rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God, than to dwell in the tents of wickedness."

Psalms 1:2 "But his delight [is] in the law of the LORD; and in his law doth he meditate day and night."

Job 7:1 "[Is there] not an appointed time to man upon earth? [are not] his days also like the days of an hireling?"

Psalms 56:3 "What time I am afraid, I will trust in thee."

Psalms 69:13 "But as for me, my prayer [is] unto thee, O LORD, [in] an acceptable time: O God, in the multitude of thy mercy hear me, in the truth of thy salvation."

Psalms 121:8 "The LORD shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth, and even for evermore."

Ecclesiastes 3:11 "He hath made every [thing] beautiful in his time: also he hath set the world in their heart, so that no man can find out the work that God maketh from the beginning to the end."

Ecclesiastes 3:17 "I said in mine heart, God shall judge the righteous and the wicked: for [there is] a time there for every purpose and for every work."