

No Time For God

Busy, busy, busy! People everywhere are just so busy and they have **no time for God**. For the young person the attitude is, "Please, I am too young and, besides, I have my whole life to live. Perhaps later I will have time for God." But the Bible says, "*Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth*" (Ecclesiastes 12:1)

As the years pass by and college is entered, there is still **no time for God**. "Please, not now! I am so busy studying and working my way through college that I have **no time for God**. That will have to wait until afterwards."

College graduation passes and the next phase of life begin; find a job and get established. "Can't you see that I just got this job that is so time consuming and I have very little time for myself. I'm really sorry but there is just **no time for God** right now. Perhaps later on there will be."

Along comes just the right mate; love is in the air and family life is begun. "Between my job and now the responsibility of my family that requires so much attention, there is **no time for God** left in my already crowded schedule."

The children are now grown; some have gotten married and are parents themselves. "Time has gone by so fast! Why, it seemed like just yesterday I was a youth and look at me now, I'm a grandparent. Between my job, social responsibilities, and being a grandparent there is just **no time for God** anywhere. I promise though, once I get through all of this I will have time for Him and come to church."

In the retirement years there is so much to do with other senior citizens from all walks of life. "I really did not know that senior citizens could be so busy, what with all of the socials, senior trips and all there is no time left for anything, especially **no time for God**."

The twilight years have arrived; it seemed like just yesterday there was a youth inside this crumbling shell of a body. Wherever did the time go? It went by so fast! On the stage of life the curtain begins to be lowered; soon the play of life will be over and throughout it there was no time for God." So many things to be done that were left undone, but there was always **no time for God**. Soon though there will be plenty of time as the portals of time are passed through and the land of eternity is entered. Here, there will always be plenty of time, time to remember every opportunity that was allowed to slip by, every opportunity to turn to God, every opportunity to lay up treasure in Heaven. But it will forever be too late because there was always **no time for God**.

Friend, while there is yet time, will you take time for God? You see, He made time for you because of His great love for you. The Bible is God's Word and in it He tells us about our true condition. He says, "*As it is written, There is none righteous, no, not one.*" (Ro. 3:10) Then He tells us that, "*For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;*" (Ro. 3:23) because of the sin nature that we inherited from Adam. "*Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned:*" (Ro. 5:15) As a result and what we deserve, "*For the wages of sin is death;*" (Ro. 6:23) But there is good news because, "*But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.*" (Ro. 5:8) God did all of this for us and all that remains is for a lost soul to repent and trust Jesus Christ as personal Saviour. "*That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. For the scripture saith, Whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed.*" (Ro.10:9-11) Then in verse 13 He says, "*For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.*" (Ro. 10:13)

So many people say they have **no time for God**; what will you say right now? Will you remain in your sinful state and be under the condemnation of God (Jn. 3:18; 36), or will you confess to God the Father that you are a sinner; ask for forgiveness of those sins and for Jesus Christ to come into your heart? According to Romans 3:25 and 5:9, Jesus Christ has already paid the penalty for our sin; all we need to do is confess our sin to Him "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." (1 Jn. 1:9) and receive His gift of eternal life, "For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast." (Ep. 2:8, 9). If you will do this, according to God's Word you will be saved for all eternity "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." "And this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life. These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the

Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God.” (Jn. 3:16; 1 Jn. 5:11-13). *“For he saith, I have heard thee in a time accepted, and in the day of salvation have I succoured thee: behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.”* (2 Co. 6:2)

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