

TOPIC	KEEP THE FIRE BURNING
DATE	Sunday, February 4, 2024

MEMORY VERSE	"To everything there is a season, and a Time to every purpose under the Heaven" Ecclesiastes 3: 1
BIBLE TEXT	1 Peter 2: 11-12

INTRODUCTION

Our God is a God of orderliness. There is time for everything, and He has made everything beautiful in His time. As we go through this study, may He grant us the wisdom and grace to understand the time and how to act accordingly in our marriage and family life in Jesus' name

LESSON OUTLINE

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B. IT IS NOT YET TIME TO REST

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- As believers, we must realize that we are aliens and pilgrims here on earth, **1 Chr. 29: 15; Ps. 39: 12; Heb.11: 13-16; 1 Pet. 2: 11.**
- At the close of age, we shall give account of our pilgrimage, **1 Pet. 2: 12; Heb. 11: 13-16.**
- Jacob saw life as a pilgrimage, **Gen. 47: 9.**
- We must seek the new city, **Heb. 13: 14.**
- We must constantly remember that Jesus Christ has gone to prepare a place for us, **Jn. 14: 2-3.**
- As strangers on earth, **Ps. 119: 19**, God expects us to remember that there is time for all things under the earth, **Eccl. 3: 1-8; 1 Chr. 12: 32.**
- We must work with the time. To do this, we must have a goal and be focused, **Hab. 2: 2; John 9:4.**

B. IT IS NOT YET TIME TO REST

- Jesus Christ is our best example to follow in all things.
- He said, " I must work the work of him that send me, while it is day, the night cometh, when no men can work." - **Jn. 9: 4.**
- It is not time to rest yet. The king's business requires haste - **1 Sam. 21: 8.**
- Therefore, the hour to work is now - **Ps. 119: 60; Eccl.12: 1.**
- We must not rest or give up in praying for our marriage, home, family, spouse, parents, and children.
- It is dangerous to rest or give up in the battle front with the enemy around, **1 Pet. 5: 8-9.**
- The Lord has given us power over demons, and it is not for resting, **Lk. 10: 19; Acts 13: 8 12.**
- The weapons of our warfare are not carnal, we are in the war front, **2 Cor. 10: 3-5; Eph. 6: 11-18**
- However, there is a rest that the Lord has reserved for eternal rest, **Rev. 6: 11; 14: 13.**
- Rest comes to the life of a believer when he/she accepts Jesus Christ, **Matt 11:28-30**
- Rest will be provided after Jesus Christ returns, **2 Thess. 1:7.** He intercedes for the saints, **Rom. 8: 26-27.**

CLASS ACTIVITY 2 - Members should list 10 areas in which they would like to invest their times for God.

SUMMARY

Since God created time, it is best to use our times for Him.

CONCLUSION

We must work and rest at the right time and serve God now, when it is the daytime.

ASSIGNMENT

Students should list out their daily schedules, routines, and home chores. Check those that are essential and delete those that are not necessary and then use the newly created time to serve your God.

God bless you.