God Has A Plan For Your Time

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- God Has Something Specifically Planned For You

- Ephesians 1:11 (NLT) 11 ... he makes everything work out according to his plan.

- (Jeremiah 29:11 NIV) For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord,...
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  Because Time Is The Stuff That Life Is Made Of

- *(Psalms 90:12 NIV)* Teach us to number our days, that we may gain a heart of wisdom.
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- Every Minute Of Every Day Is Either Wasted Or Wisely Invested
- God Created Time And Gives It To Us As Stewards (To Be Invested)
- Time Is A Precious Gift, And We Each Have A Responsibility For How We Spend The Time That God Has Given Us.
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- To Find Out What Is Most Important
  In Life We Seek The Lord For His Plan

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- Time Is Important To Us
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- (Eph 5:15 NIV) Be very careful, then, how you live--not as unwise but as wise, (16) making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil. (17) Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the Lord's will is.
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1. What Does God Say About Time?
2. What We Can Do To Make The Most Of Our Time?
What Does God Say About Time:

- God Is Creator And Master Of Time
- Each Person Has a Short Time to Live
- We Live Approximately 70 – 80 Years
- We Will All Eventually Die
What Does God Say About Time:

- Knowing God – An Essential
- When We Come To God Our Value System Changes

(2 Cor 5:17 NIV) Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!
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- Stewardship is finding out what God values; planning and working towards fulfillment of those values.

(Prov 19:21 NIV) Many are the plans in a man's heart, but it is the Lord's purpose that prevails.
God Is A God Of Structure, Organization And Planning

- Moses And Joshua Led The Children Of Israel
- David And Solomon And The Temple
- Nehemiah, The Rebuilding Of The Walls
- Jesus In His Life Was Structured & Organized

Because They Knew God:
They Knew His Values – Plan – Purpose & Priorities
What We Can Do To Make The Most Of Our Time

- We Can’t Manage Time So We Must Manage Ourselves

- “Time management” is really a misnomer—the challenge is not to manage time, but to manage ourselves.” — Steven Covey
How To Manage Yourself Within Your Time:

- Establish Your Priorities
- Take A Time Inventory
  - Time Is A Gift
  - Time Is Irreplaceable
- Budget Your Time
How To Manage Yourself Within Your Time:

*Laws Of Unbudgeted Time*

- Unbudgeted Time Flows Towards My Weakness
- Unbudgeted Time Comes Under The Influence Of Dominant People In My World
- Unbudgeted Time Surrenders To The Demands Of All Emergencies
- Unbudgeted Time Gets Invested In Things That Gain Public Acclamation
How To Manage Yourself Within Your Time:

How Time Is Recaptured:

- I Must Know My Maximum Effectiveness
- I Must Have A Good Criteria For Choosing How To Use My Time
- I Schedule Time And Control It Best When I Budget It Far In Advance
How To Manage Yourself Within Your Time:

- Get Rid Of Time Wasters
- Implement Your Plan And Stick To It

(Isa 32:8 NIV) But the noble man makes noble plans, and by noble deeds he stands.
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- When We Are Properly Managing Our Time, We Are Proper Stewards For God.

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Make The Most Of Your Time Because

- You Don’t Have Much Of It
- It Goes By So Quickly
- We Won’t Get A Second Chance At It
- Because Time Can Only Be Used Once
- In Order To Invest It For Eternity
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