

Growth Group Questions

Stewardship of Time #2 ~ October 6, 2024

Introduction

What good things does Satan trick us from doing with the thought that there's always more time? What good things does Satan trick us from doing with the thought that we don't have enough time?

Into the Word – Acts 13:26-39

1. Paul and his companions were invited to speak at the synagogue in Pisidian Antioch. The congregation got more than they bargained for! How are both Paul (in this account and others) and Jesus (as described in verses 26-31) good examples of using the time we have to serve the Lord?
2. I always find it comforting when I see writers in the New Testament quoting Scripture from the Old Testament. Believers 2000 years ago put their trust in God's Word too! What do these quotes tell you about their view of Scripture's origin and its authority?
3. Explain why verse 36-37 are one of Scripture's greatest sections in explaining the meaning of life, our place on earth, and our hope for heaven.
4. Reword Paul's point in verse 39 that "everyone who believes is set free from sin."

Into the Word – Galatians 6:7-10

5. What are some ways that sinners mock God? Why can he not truly be mocked?

6. What are the only two possible perspectives on man's purpose during his time on earth?
7. Say a prayer for yourself and those who serve the Lord (in any way) that they would not grow weary in doing good.
8. Why do you think Paul adds the note about doing good "especially to those who belong to the family of believers"?

Into the Word – Mark 8:31-38

9. Why is it important for us to remember that Jesus knew exactly what was going to happen to him in Jerusalem?
10. Why does Peter rebuke Jesus, and why was it such a bad statement that Jesus calls him "Satan"?
11. What are some ways that people "save their life but lost it" in the way Jesus speaks in verse 35?
12. We've all sinned in the way that Jesus warns against in verse 38. What ways might a believer be "ashamed" of Jesus? Why won't the judgment of this verse fall on us, even though we deserve it?

Closing Prayer

Savior Jesus, bless me with a proper perspective on your great blessing of time. Help me to take up my crosses and serve you in every moment. Let my trust in your promises of an eternity in heaven lead me to use my time in this world for your purposes. Amen.