

Sermon Title: **“The Stewardship Of The Time Of Your Life!”**

Sermon Text: **Ephesians 5:15-16**

Introduction:

- The most sobering thing about time is not that we have such a limited amount of it or even that it passes by so quickly. The most sobering thing is that we must **give account** to God for how **we use it!**
- *You can have the time of your life if you use your time **for God** and **His glory!***

The word “redeem” means “to **buy up the opportunities.”**

“A Christian steward is one to whom God has given a trust, which is to be managed for Him and for which we must ultimately give an account.”

- *If we are going to be good stewards of time then three things are required:*

I. We Must **Appraise Time Correctly**

- *At least three things we must be taken into account.*

A. The **Sacredness Of Time**

- Time is sacred because it is a **gift** from **God!**
- *II Kings 20:1-6*

B. The **Shortness Of Time**

- *I Corinthians 7:29; James 4:14; Psalm 90:10-12*
- The inescapable fact of life is this: we are **here today** and **gone tomorrow!**

C. The **Setting For Time**

- We are exhorted to *“redeem the time,”* but *why?*
- *II Timothy 3:1*

“We live in a dark world and it is getting darker! If we’re ever going to penetrate the darkness, now is the time to “redeem” – to buy up that opportunity!”

II. We Must **Appropriate** Time **Conscientiously**

- The wise believer will appropriate time wisely because **time** is the **stuff** of which **life consists!**
- *Ecclesiastes 3:2-8*

You can't **kill time** without **injuring eternity!**

- We cannot use time in any better way than to use it for **God's cause** and for **His glory!**

III. We Must **Apply** Time **Consistently**

- We are responsible to God to be good stewards of the time that He gives us by consistently utilizing it in ways that reflect **wisdom** and **godliness!**
- *Acts 21:24; II Corinthians 5:7; Galatians 5:16; Ephesians 2:10; 5:2, 8; Colossians 1:10*
 - **By **Guided Living**** (*Ephesians 5:17*)
 - **By **Governed Living**** (*Ephesians 5:18*)

Conclusion:

What are you doing with the time God is parceling out to you? “Redeem the time for the days are evil” and in doing so you will have the time of your life!

