

The Importance of

TIME Used WISELY



Fall



Summer



Spring



Winter

Managing our time to the glory of God

The Importance of **TIME Used WISELY**

Time is limited & precious

**TIME IS FREE,
BUT IT'S PRICELESS.**

YOU CAN'T OWN IT,
BUT YOU CAN USE IT.

YOU CAN'T KEEP IT,
BUT YOU CAN SPEND IT.

ONCE YOU'VE LOST IT
YOU CAN NEVER GET IT BACK.

-HARVEY MACKAY

"See then that you walk circumspectly, not as fools but as wise, redeeming the time, because the days are evil. Therefore do not be unwise, but understand what the will of the Lord is"

Eph 5:15-17

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Psalm 90:9-12 (NKJV)

⁹ For all our days have passed away in Your wrath; We finish our years like a sigh. ¹⁰ The days of our lives are seventy years; And if by reason of strength they are eighty years, Yet their boast is only labor and sorrow; For it is soon cut off, and we fly away. ¹¹ Who knows the power of Your anger? For as the fear of You, so is Your wrath. ¹² So teach us to number our days, That we may gain a heart of wisdom.

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Time Moves Quickly

Job 16:22

"For when a few years are finished, I shall go
the way of no return"

Job 9:25-26

"Now my days are swifter than a runner;
They flee away, they see no good. They pass
by like swift ships, Like an eagle swooping
on its prey"

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Idleness Is A Robber

Proverbs 6:6-11 (NKJV)

⁶ Go to the ant, you sluggard! Consider her ways and be wise, ⁷ Which, having no captain, Overseer or ruler, ⁸ Provides her supplies in the summer, And gathers her food in the harvest. ⁹ How long will you slumber, O sluggard? When will you rise from your sleep? ¹⁰ A little sleep, a little slumber, A little folding of the hands to sleep-- ¹¹ So shall your poverty come on you like a prowler, And your need like an armed man.

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Pro 19:15

"Laziness
casts one into
a deep sleep,
And an idle
person will
suffer
hunger"

Pro 23:21

"For the
drunkard and
the glutton will
come to poverty,
And drowsiness
will clothe a man
with rags"

Pro 14:23

"In all labor
there is
profit, but
idle chatter
leads only
to poverty"

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Romans 13:11 — And do this, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep; for now our salvation is nearer than when we first believed.

1 Thessalonians 5:6-8 — ⁶ Therefore let us not sleep, as others do, but let us watch and be sober. ⁷ For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk are drunk at night. ⁸ But let us who are of the day be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love, and as a helmet the hope of salvation.

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There's a time for everything

Ecclesiastes 3:1-14 (NKJV)

¹ To everything *there is* a season, A time for every purpose under heaven:

² A time to be born, And a time to die; A time to plant, And a time to pluck *what is* planted; ³ A time to kill, And a time to heal; A time to break down, And a time to build up; ⁴ A time to weep, And a time to laugh; A time to mourn, And a time to dance; ⁵ A time to cast away stones, And a time to gather stones; A time to embrace, And a time to refrain from embracing; ⁶ A time to gain, And a time to lose; A time to keep, And a time to throw away; ⁷ A time to tear, And a time to sew; A time to keep silence, And a time to speak; ⁸ A time to love, And a time to hate; A time of war, And a time of peace.

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⁹ What profit has the worker from that in which he labors? ¹⁰ I have seen the God-given task with which the sons of men are to be occupied. ¹¹ He has made everything beautiful in its time. Also He has put eternity in their hearts, except that no one can find out the work that God does from beginning to end.

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¹² I know that nothing is better for them than to rejoice, and to do good in their lives, ¹³ and also that every man should eat and drink and enjoy the good of all his labor--it is the gift of God. ¹⁴ I know that whatever God does, It shall be forever. Nothing can be added to it, And nothing taken from it. God does it, that men should fear before Him.

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~ Earthly endeavors have their proper time and place (1-8)

~ Subject to things beyond our control (9-10)

~ God makes everything beautiful in its season (11)

~ God wants man to enjoy moderately His earthly gifts (12-13).

~ God is in control (14).

~ The usage of our time to be in harmony with our purpose - (14; 12:13,14)

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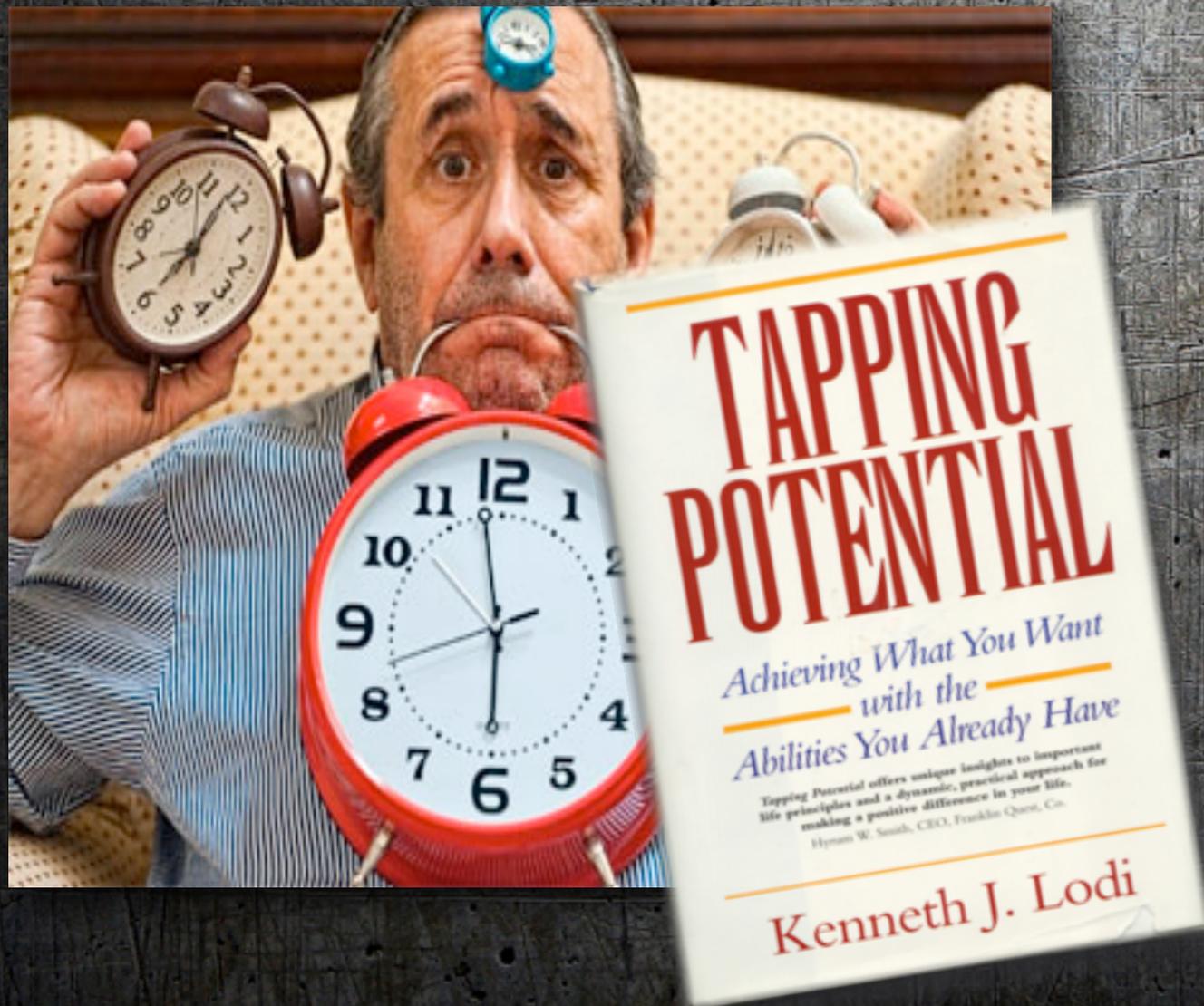
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- ~ Time is easily wasted.
- ~ Many things compete for our time!
- ~ Effects our spiritual life
- ~ Effects others
- ~ We Are Responsible For How We Use The Time God Has Given Us! - Eph 5:15,15; Col. 4:5

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Our daily activities should not be “expenditures of time; they should be investments.”

(Kenneth J. Lodi, “Tapping Your Potential” pg. 28)

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~ If we honestly examine how we spend / use our time - we will see where our priorities really are! - *(satisfying our pride & selfishness or in humble service to God! Lk 2:49; Jn. 4:34)*



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~ Serving God is more than worship - (*Assembling / praying / singing / teaching*); more than evangelism . . .

~ Time must also be invested in being the _____ I should be



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How To Make The Most of Our Time

- ~ Be Aware – Time is easily wasted –
- ~ Budget – Time is limited
- ~ Prioritize – Time is valuable!



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How To Make The Most of Our Time

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES SUNDAY MORNING;

✧ Bible class; 9:00 A.M.;

✧ Worship; 10:00 A.M.

SUNDAY EVENING;

✧ Worship 5:00 P.M.

WEDNESDAY –

✧ Bible class: 7:00 P.M.

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◆ *God FIRST - Worship - Spiritual Growth - Service - Influence . . .*

◆ *Family – Parents need to parent – husbands need to be husbands – wives need to be wives!*

◆ *Work – A means to an end –*

◆ *Rest & Renewal – Not Laziness – Our Bodies MUST Rest*

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Self Evaluation

**Matthew 16:26
(NKJV)**

For what profit
is it to a man if he
gains the whole
world, and loses
his own soul? Or
what will a man
give in exchange
for his soul?

Success

Failure

BUT

Fun

Business

Fame

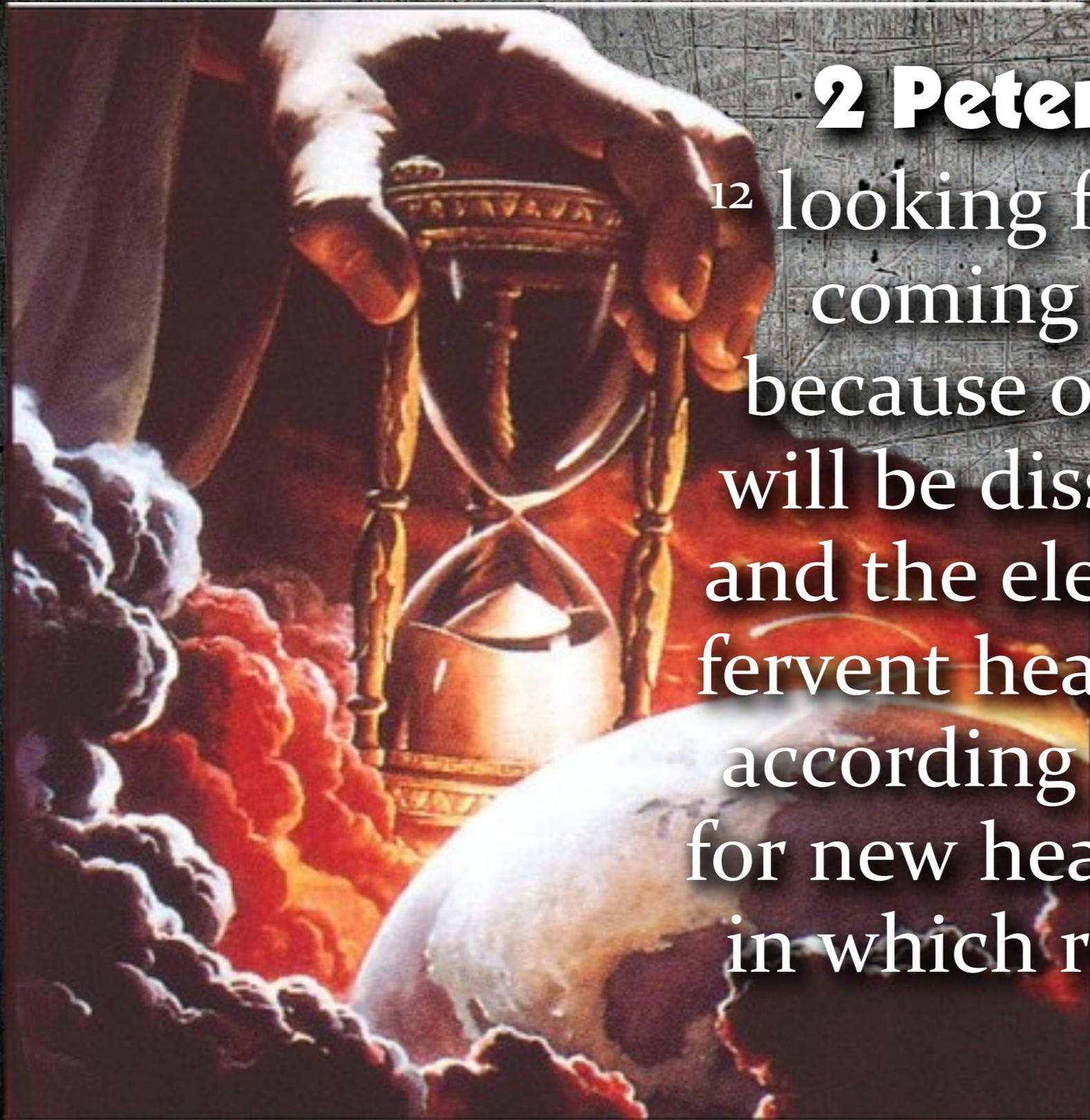
Christian

Friend

Spouse

Parent

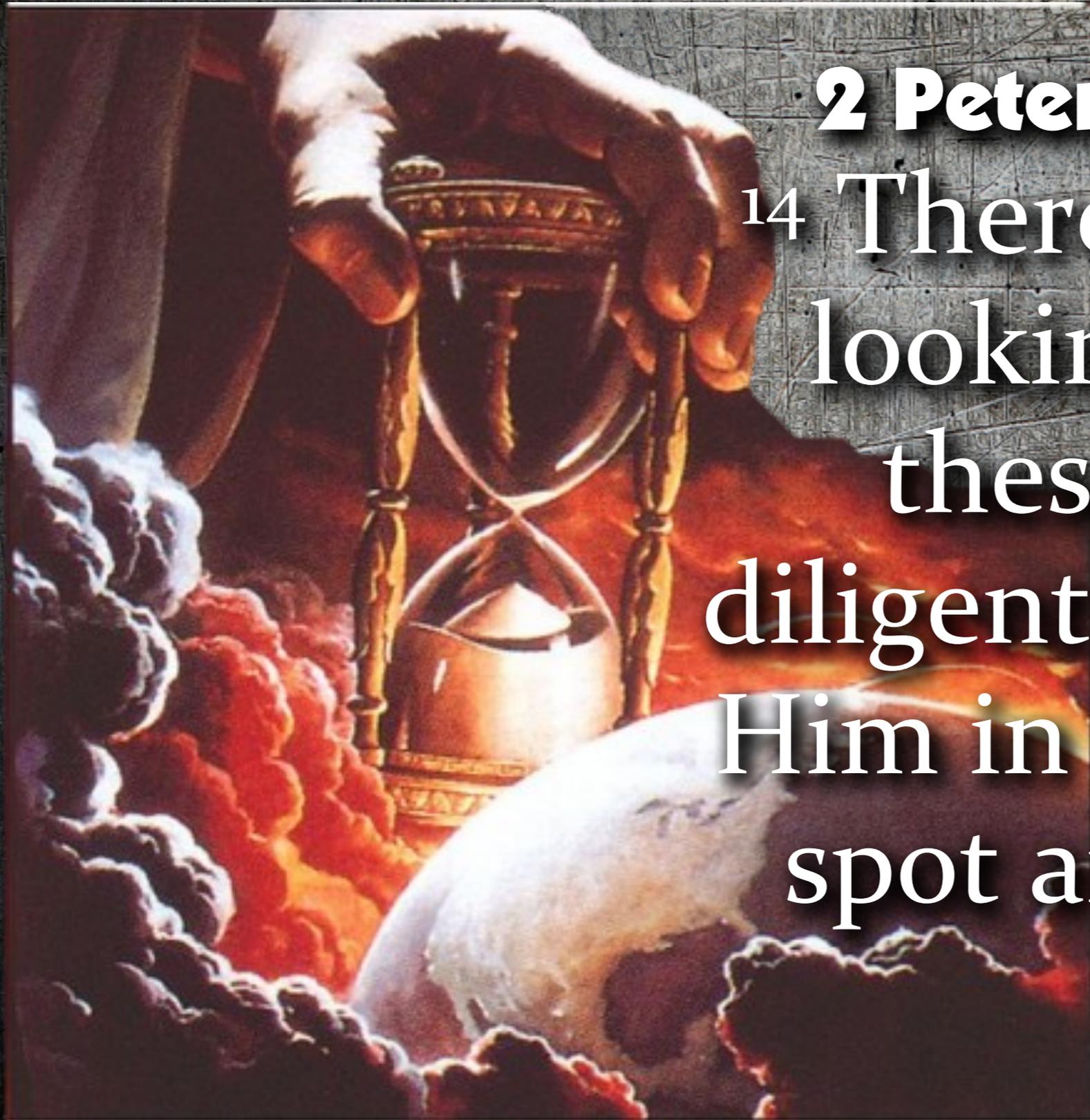
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2 Peter 3:10-14 (NKJV)

¹² looking for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be dissolved, being on fire, and the elements will melt with fervent heat? ¹³ Nevertheless we, according to His promise, look for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells.

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2 Peter 3:10-14 (NKJV)

¹⁴ Therefore, beloved, looking forward to these things, be diligent to be found by Him in peace, without spot and blameless;

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How much time
do you have????

The day will come
when "every one
of us shall give
account of
himself to God"
(Romans 14:12).

**TIME
IS
RUNNING OUT**

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Are You:

A child of God?

Using your time
bringing glory &
honor to God?

Acting Soberly?
Loving Fervently?

Serving
Faithfully?

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How will you live
out the rest of
your time?
(1 Pet 4:2)

Have you obeyed
the gospel?
(Acts 22:16;
2 Cor 6:2)

What if time ran
out today?



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What Will Happen To You
When Time Runs Out . . .

1 Peter 4:7 (NKJV)

*But the end of all things is at hand; therefore be
serious and watchful in your prayers.*



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Ephesians 5:8-21 (NKJV)

⁸ For you were once darkness, but now *you are* light in the Lord. Walk as children of light ⁹ (for the fruit of the Spirit *is* in all goodness, righteousness, and truth), ¹⁰ finding out what is acceptable to the Lord. ¹¹ And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather expose *them*. ¹² For it is shameful even to speak of those things which are done by them in secret. ¹³ But all things that are exposed are made manifest by the light, for whatever makes manifest is light.

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¹⁴ Therefore He says: "Awake, you who sleep, Arise from the dead, And Christ will give you light." ¹⁵ See then that you walk circumspectly, not as fools but as wise, ¹⁶ redeeming the time, because the days are evil. ¹⁷ Therefore do not be unwise, but understand what the will of the Lord *is*.

Ephesians 5:8-21 (NKJV)

¹⁸ And do not be drunk with wine, in which is dissipation; but be filled with the Spirit, ¹⁹ speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord, ²⁰ giving thanks always for all things to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, ²¹ submitting to one another in the fear of God.