

Redeeming the Time

by William B. Riley

We should use our time wisely and effectively for God's purposes, as time is short and marvelous results can be accomplished in brief conversations.

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Scripture: Psalm 90:12, Matthew 28:19-20, Ephesians 5:15-16, Colossians 4:5, James 4:14

Topics: "Time Management", "Evangelism"

Description

William B. Riley emphasizes the importance of redeeming our time for God, sharing a personal story of a boy he spoke to years ago who later became a pastor. He reflects on the profound impact that a brief conversation about Christ can have on someone's life and the urgency of making the most of our time with others. Riley expresses regret for not investing more time in conversations that could lead to conversion, urging listeners to recognize the potential for marvelous results in their interactions. The sermon calls for a commitment to use our time wisely in service to God and others.

Transcript

Twelve years went by, and I had a most astonishing and beautifully written letter one day, signed by that same boy. And he said, since you talked with me that day, I've been a Christian. And I'm happy now to tell you also, that since that time, I've not only finished a high school and university course, but I have taken a course also in theology.

And today, I am the pastor of such-and-such a colored church in Texas. The church was a prominent one. As I have reflected upon the fact that it only required a few minutes that day of my time and years, I confess very frankly, I often hang my head with shame, that I have not put in more such time with people of possible conversion.

And my moral would be, let us redeem the time unto God, knowing that it's short, and that marvelous results may be accomplished in a very brief conversation, if Christ is presented therein.

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