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“For it is time to seek the Lord”

We are creatures of time but Time flies. It seems there are more things to do and less time to do it in. We are bound by time. The clock is ticking no one knows at what stage we are going to be at an end of life's journey.

“To everything a season ...” (Ecc 3:1)

If you have never done it, it is time to seek the Lord. There is an immediacy about this matter. It is the God of heaven we must seek. He is “from everlasting to everlasting”. He says, “I am the Lord I change not” The living God who does not change, Who never ages and His character never changes. Now is the time to seek the God of eternity.

There was a time when the Lord sought us; when the God of eternity stepped into time. The Lord Jesus Christ was sent forth from God when the fullness of time was come - The perfect time (Gal 4:4).

The coming of the Messiah had been promised. God planned it and predicted it. He said, “His name shall be called Emmanuel (God with us)” (Isa 7:14).

God has His people in the right place at the right time at the right place to fulfil His purpose. God was in perfect control. Christ was born of a woman under the law to redeem those under that law (Gal 4:4). God had laid down His standard. Mankind proved that we are incapable of fulfilling these 10 commandments. The Law brings a curse. The Lord wants to bring poor wretched sinners into the family of God, the Bible calls it the “Adoption of sons”.

Of Christ we read, “He came to seek and to save that which was lost” (Luke 19:10). Before we were born the Lord Jesus came seeking us. He did not come to save by living the perfect life or leaving perfect teaching. He came to die. God planned His death to the very second in time. “When we were without strength in due time Christ died for the ungodly” (Rom 5:6)

Why did God determine His son should die?

It was because there was no other way that sinners could be brought to God.

What are your thoughts of Calvary? A miscarriage of justice? A young man cut off in His prime?

The Bible tells us this was at just the right time “according to the determinate counsel and foreknowledge of God” (Acts 2:23). There was no other way whereby sinners like us could be brought back to God. The son of God died for the ungodly. “But God commended His love towards us in that while we were yet sinners Christ died for us” (Rom 5:8). You will never find love like that anywhere else. The very God of heaven gave Himself so that we might be forgiven. When we seek after God He will be found by us.

How can God who can have no sin in His presence say this? Because Christ died the “just for the unjust” (1 Peter 3:18). The time came where he was raised from the dead. Angels asked, “why seek ye the living with the dead?” (Luke 24:5). Men said let Him be crucified God said let Him be raised. He is now glorified on high on the right hand of the throne of God above all principalities and powers. This matter should be a priority in your life. There is nothing more important than finding the God of heaven.

“Seek ye the Lord while He may be found call ye upon Him while He is near” (Isa 55:6). It is an urgent situation. One day it will be too late. There is always a serious warning in scripture. Time is short - “my days are swifter than weaver's shuttle” (Job 7:6). “What is life? Life is but a vapour” (James 4:14).

This is the most important thing. God says, "Now is the accepted time behold now is the day of salvation" (2 Cor 6:2). "It is time to seek the Lord" (Hosea 10:12).

Has there come a point in your experience when you have bowed the knee to the Lord and declared Him to be your Lord and Master?

Only the God of heaven can forgive your sins. Have you confessed your sin to God and come in simple faith to put your trust in the God of heaven? Have you made Him Lord of your life?