

Monday, 2 March 2015

Ephesians 5:15-18

Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, making the best use of the time, because the days are evil. Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit,

Lord, help me to understand “the best use of time” and apply it properly to my life. It must start with an understanding of Your will as embodied in the Great Commandment. Next must be to set the priorities according to Your instruction to seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness. And finally, to not be distracted by 'wine' or anything else that serves to divert attention and effort from Your will for me.

Tuesday, 3 March 2015

Psalm 141:1-2

A Psalm of David. *O LORD, I call upon you; hasten to me! Give ear to my voice when I call to you! Let my prayer be counted as incense before you, and the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice!*

Who am I reminding, Lord, when I plead for Your attention? When I beg for Your in considering my prayers as incense and my praise as sacrifice? Not You, surely not You! No, it is assurance to me that You will never leave me nor forsake me. It is a reminder to me that Your promises are yea and amen in You. Praise You, Lord Jesus.

Wednesday, 4 March 2015

Psalm 141:3-4

Set a guard, O LORD, over my mouth; keep watch over the door of my lips! Do not let my heart incline to any evil, to busy myself with wicked deeds in company with men who work iniquity, and let me not eat of their delicacies!

It is appropriate, Lord, that my first order of business is to set a watch over me and my heart. Guide me in a regular and ongoing practice of self-examination. All desire to live according to Your will is doomed to failure if I insist on wearing muddy shoes into my life.

Thursday, 5 March 2015

Psalm 141:5a

Let a righteous man strike me—it is a kindness; let him rebuke me—it is oil for my head; let my head not refuse it.

Now, for the blessing of discernment when a word of instruction or reproof comes from You through the mouth of a brother or sister. My first reaction must be one of thanksgiving rather than a spirit of defense and justification.

Friday, 6 March 2015

Psalm 141:5b-7

Yet my prayer is continually against their evil deeds. When their judges are thrown over the cliff, then they shall hear my words, for they are pleasant. As when one plows and breaks up the earth, so shall our bones be scattered at the mouth of Sheol.

That same gift of discernment will also reveal and guide me in the proper responses to evil or bad advice. Let me never forget Your instruction to bless and pray for those that curse and persecute me. Or Your dictum that vengeance belongs to You and You alone.

Saturday, 7 March 2015

Psalm 141:8-10

But my eyes are toward you, O GOD, my Lord; in you I seek refuge; leave me not defenseless! Keep me from the trap that they have laid for me and from the snares of evildoers! Let the wicked fall into their own nets, while I pass by safely.

Isaiah 42:16 *And I will lead the blind in a way that they do*

not know, in paths that they have not known I will guide them. I will turn the darkness before them into light, the rough places into level ground. These are the things I do, and I do not forsake them.

My prayer is answered with one of Your precious promises.
Thank You, my Lord and Savior.

Lord's Day, 8 March 2015

Psalm 119:13

With my lips I declare all the rules of your mouth.

Give me strength to be obedient here, Lord. I am about to publish a commentary that is critical of the homosexual life style and I need resolve. Three days away and I am beginning to waffle. Help me, Lord.

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