

Dream Big – Living Abundantly Week 1 (Time)

Series Theme Verse: John 10:10 – “The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly.”

Reading from Week 1: Ephesians 5: 15-18 – “¹⁵ Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, ¹⁶ making the best use of the time, because the days are evil. ¹⁷ Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. ¹⁸ And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit,

Ice Breaker Idea: What has been your favorite age or season in life so far? Explain!

Questions:

1. Pastor asked you to list 3 things that take up most of your time right now – tell the group about some or all of them. What drives us to try to pack so much into the time we have?
2. Time is an incredible gift from God. What gifts (time, money, food, clothes, home, etc.) do you tend to cling to most tightly? Which ones are easier to be generous with? What factors do you think guide how we manage God’s blessings in our lives?
3. Pastor talked about creating new priorities with our time, with the first priority needing to be God. How might such a change in priority show up in your life?
4. What does it look like to prioritize service to others? What does it look like to prioritize YOU? How can you balance these effectively?
5. How do healthy priorities related to time lead to abundance in life?

“Digging Deeper”

Read Ecclesiastes 3: 1-8

Share any insights this passage gives you about how to spend your time. In the passage, each event described has its own space/time - multitasking is a way of life for most in our culture today – what is the impact of this?

Read Psalm 90: 9-12

How can numbering our days teach us wisdom? If you could know how many years you have left, would you want to? Why or why not?