

MESSAGE 1: TRUSTING GOD'S TIMING IN YOUR LIFE

Parts 1-3

1. GOD HAS A _____ FOR EVERYTHING THAT HAPPENS.

“There is AN APPOINTED TIME for everything, and there is A RIGHT TIME for every activity under heaven.” Ecclesiastes 3:1 (NAB)

“When THE RIGHT TIME came, God sent his Son to earth, born of a woman and living under the law, so that his Son could pay for our freedom from the law, and adopt us as his children into God's family!” Galatians 4:3-5

2. GOD DOES NOT TELL US _____ IN ADVANCE.

“God has given us a desire to know the future. He always does everything just right and on time, but people can never completely understand what he is doing.” Ecclesiastes 3:11 (NCV)

Jesus: *“You don't get to know the time. Timing is the Father's business.” Acts 1:7 (Mes)*

3. GOD IS NEVER _____ AND HE'S _____

GOD: *“The vision WILL happen at the time I have appointed. It moves steadily toward its goal and it will not be proven false. If it seems slow or delayed, just wait for it! It will certainly happen. It will not be late!” Habakkuk 2:3*

4. GOD'S TIMING IS NOT ALWAYS _____

“At that time, Caesar Augustus ordered all people under Roman rule to return to their hometown to register in a census... So Joseph took Mary with him to Bethlehem, and by this time, she was very pregnant... In Bethlehem, the time came for her to have her baby.” Luke 2:1-6

5. AT THE RIGHT TIME GOD CAN _____

GOD: “*I am the Lord, so when the right time comes, I will make it all happen quickly!*”
Isaiah 60:22 (TEV)

GOD: “*At the RIGHT TIME I will answer your prayers!*” Isaiah 49:8 (NCV)

WHAT DOES GOD WANT ME TO DO WHILE I WAIT?

Fear not! Fret not! Forget not! Faint not!

1. FEAR NOT: _____

Jesus “*Don't be afraid. Just trust me.*” Mark 5:36 (NLT)

“*I trust in you Lord. You are my God and my times are in your hands.*” Psalm 31:14-15
(NIV)

“*I pray to you, Lord, so when the time is right, please answer me and help me with your wonderful love.*” Psalm 69:13 (CEV)

2. FRET NOT: _____

“*Wait and trust the Lord! DON'T FRET when others prosper or their dishonest plans succeed. And don't get angry or upset – it only leads to trouble.*” Psalm 37:7-8

“*DON'T FRET or worry. Instead of worrying, pray! Let petitions and praises shape your worries into prayers, letting God know your concerns.*” Philippians 4:6
(Mes)

“*Humble yourselves under God's mighty hand, so that he can lift you up at just THE RIGHT TIME!*” 1 Peter 5:6 (TEV)

3. FORGET NOT: _____

“*IF you keep looking closely into God's perfect Word that sets people free, and you keep on studying it, and you DON'T FORGET it, and you put it into daily practice—you will be BLESSED by God in all you do!*” James 1:25

“Happy are those who... find joy in obeying the Word of the Lord, and they study it day and night. They’re like trees that grow strong beside a stream, and bear fruit at the RIGHT TIME and whose leaves do not dry up. They succeed in everything they do!” Psalm 1:1-3 (TEV)

4. FAINT NOT: _____

“We must never get tired of doing what is right and good, for AT THE RIGHT TIME we will reap a harvest a blessing IF we don't give up, or quit.” Galatians 6:9

IT’S ALWAYS THE RIGHT TIME FOR 2 THINGS:

TO COME BACK HOME TO GOD

- *“NOW is the time to change your ways and COME BACK to God so he can wipe away your sins, and pour out showers of blessing to refresh you.” Acts 3:19 (Mes)*

TO RECEIVE THE SAVING GRACE OF JESUS

- *“Jesus gave himself to pay for the sins of everyone. He is the proof that God wants all of us to be saved. And that proof came at the RIGHT TIME.” 1 Tim 2:6 (ICB)*
- *“THIS HOUR is the RIGHT TIME to RECEIVE MY GRACE! The day of salvation is NOW! TODAY I’m ready to save you!” 2 Corinthians. 6:2*

MESSAGE 2: THE REST OF THE STORY

Parts 1-2

HISTORY IS GOD'S 4 ACT LOVE STORY

"This is the story of how it all started, of Heaven and Earth, and when they were created."

Genesis 2:4 (MSG)

ACT I: GOD _____

"Long before he laid down earth's foundations, God had us in mind, and settled on us as the focus of his love." Ephesians 1:4 (MSG)

"The Lord is good to everyone. He showers compassion on ALL his creation. All living things will thank you, Lord." Psalm 145:9-10 (NLT)

"God richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment." 1 Timothy 6:17

"I'll never quit telling the story of your love—how you built the cosmos and everything in it. Your love has always been our lives' foundation, your faithfulness has been the roof over our world." Psalm 89:2 (MSG)

ACT II: WE _____ FROM GOD'S LOVE

"We're all like sheep who've wandered off and gotten lost. We've all done our own thing, and gone our own way." Isaiah 53:6 (MSG)

(Satan said to Eve) *"Did God really say, 'You must not eat fruit from ANY tree in the garden'?"*

(Eve) *"We're allowed to eat fruit from all the trees except God said, 'You must not eat from the one tree in the middle of the garden, and you must not touch it, or you'll die.'"* Genesis 3:1-3

"'You won't die!' Satan said. 'God knows that when you eat it your eyes will be opened, and you'll become just like God!' Then Eve saw that the fruit looked delicious and pleasing, and she desired what it could give here, so she took it and ate it. She also gave some to her husband..." Genesis 3:4-6

The P.A.T.H. that led us out of Paradise: (Genesis 3:1-6)

P _____ “Did God really say?” - We question God’s wisdom

A _____ “You’ll become just like God!” - We try to be God

T _____ “The fruit looked delicious” - We let feelings control us

H _____ “She took it & ate it!” - We disobey God’s directions

RESULT: “Because you are in darkness, all the foundations of society are shaken to the core.”

Psalm 82:5 (LB)

ACT III: GOD SENT JESUS _____

“This is how God showed his love to us: He sent his one and only Son into the world so that we could have life through him.” 1 John 4:9 (NCV)

Jesus: “I came to find and restore the lost.” Luke 19:10 (MSG)

“For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believes in him should not perish but have everlasting life.” John 3:16 (KJV)

“God was in Christ, offering peace and forgiveness to the people of this world.” 2 Corinthians 5:19 (CEV)

ACT IV: WE CHOOSE _____

“Today I am giving you the choice between life and death, between blessing and curse. I call on heaven and earth to witness the choice YOU make. Oh, I want you to choose life!” Deuteronomy 30:19 (NLT)

“God’s unchanging plan has always been to adopt us into his own family by bringing us to himself through Jesus Christ.” Ephesians 1:5 (NLT)

“No man has ever seen, heard, or even imagined what wonderful things God has ready for those who love the Lord.” 1 Corinthians 2:9 (LB)

“May you be able to feel and understand...how long, how wide, how deep, and how high God's love really is and experience this love for yourselves.” Ephesians 3:18-19 (LB)

“It makes no difference who you are or where you’re from—if you want God and are ready to do as he says, the door is open.” Acts 10:35 (MSG)

“With deep love I will take you back...” Isaiah 54:7 (GN)