

Handout May 3, 2024

## Life is Precious --- Psalm 116

How many of you know that *life is precious*? Each of us have been given a certain amount of allotted days. No one leaves early. God knows exactly when we are leaving, how we will leave, and where we will end up.

### **Psalm 139:13-16**

***<sup>13</sup>For You formed my inward parts; You covered me in my mother's womb. <sup>14</sup>I will praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; Marvelous are Your works, And that my soul knows very well.***

***<sup>15</sup>My frame was not hidden from You, When I was made in secret, And skillfully wrought in the lowest parts of the earth. <sup>16</sup>Your eyes saw my substance, being yet unformed. And in Your book they all were written, The days fashioned for me, When as yet there were none of them.***

1) God knows \_\_\_\_\_ how many \_\_\_\_\_ you have!

- God loves you no matter....
- Each of us has an allotted number of days.
- You get to decide what to do with them.

### **Ephesians 5:15-21**

***<sup>15</sup>See then that you walk circumspectly, not as fools but as wise, <sup>16</sup>redeeming the time, because the days are evil. <sup>17</sup>Therefore do not be unwise, but understand what the will of the Lord is. <sup>18</sup>And do not be drunk with wine, in which is dissipation; but be filled with the Spirit, <sup>19</sup>speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord, <sup>20</sup>giving thanks always for all things to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>21</sup>submitting to one another in the fear of God.***

2) \_\_\_\_\_ the time!

- Make the most of each day!
- Parking Lot Sale!
- Women's Ministry
- Discipleship Class / Bible Studies
- Prayer Ministry
- \_\_\_\_\_

How are you making the most of each day?

### **Psalm 89:11-17**

***<sup>11</sup>The heavens are Yours, the earth also is Yours; The world and all its fullness, You have founded them. <sup>12</sup>The north and the south, You have created them; Tabor and Hermon rejoice in Your name.***

***<sup>13</sup>You have a mighty arm; Strong is Your hand, and high is Your right hand. <sup>14</sup>Righteousness and justice are the foundation of Your throne; Mercy and truth go before Your face. <sup>15</sup>Blessed are the people who know the joyful sound! They walk, O Lord, in the light of Your countenance. <sup>16</sup>In Your name they rejoice all day long, And in Your righteousness they are exalted. <sup>17</sup>For You are the glory of their strength, And in Your favor our horn is exalted.***

3) \_\_\_\_\_ belongs to God, including our \_\_\_\_\_.

We are in full-time service.

- 4) How will you \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ if \_\_\_\_\_ don't press in?

**1 Peter 4:7-11**

***<sup>7</sup> But the end of all things is at hand; therefore be serious and watchful in your prayers. <sup>8</sup> And above all things have fervent love for one another, for "love will cover a multitude of sins." <sup>9</sup> Be hospitable to one another without grumbling. <sup>10</sup> As each one has received a gift, minister it to one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God. <sup>11</sup> If anyone speaks, let him speak as the oracles of God. If anyone ministers, let him do it as with the ability which God supplies, that in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom belong the glory and the dominion forever and ever. Amen.***

- 5) ● A reminder --- we all have \_\_\_\_\_.  
● A reminder --- we all can \_\_\_\_\_.  
● We only have so much time. Do you know that you are *precious in the sight of the Lord*?

Let each of us say ---

**Psalm 116:1-2 and 12-19**

***I love the Lord, because He has heard My voice and my supplications. <sup>2</sup> Because He has inclined His ear to me, Therefore I will call upon Him as long as I live. <sup>12</sup> What shall I render to the Lord For all His benefits toward me? <sup>13</sup> I will take up the cup of salvation, And call upon the name of the Lord. <sup>14</sup> I will pay my vows to the Lord Now in the presence of all His people. <sup>15</sup> Precious in the sight of the Lord Is the death of His saints. <sup>16</sup> O Lord, truly I am Your servant; I am Your servant, the son of Your maidservant; You have loosed my bonds. <sup>17</sup> I will offer to You the sacrifice of thanksgiving, And will call upon the name of the Lord. <sup>18</sup> I will pay my vows to the Lord Now in the presence of all His people, <sup>19</sup> In the courts of the Lord's house, In the midst of you, O Jerusalem. Praise the Lord!***

- 6) There's \_\_\_\_\_ to do!

Be encouraged. At the beginning I said God knows your days. He knows every hair...

**Matthew 10:29-30**

***<sup>29</sup> Are not two sparrows sold for a copper coin? And not one of them falls to the ground apart from your Father's will. <sup>30</sup> But the very hairs of your head are all numbered.***

***Romans 8:35-39 <sup>35</sup> Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? <sup>36</sup> As it is written: "For Your sake we are killed all day long; We are accounted as sheep for the slaughter." <sup>37</sup> Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us. <sup>38</sup> For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, <sup>39</sup> nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.***

It is not a matter of salvation. It is a matter of living your best life which means **SERVICE**.

You are **PRECIOUS** to me, to Alma Lynn, and to GOD.

Redeem the time!