

UGLY GIANTS, HAPPY WARRIORS Part One: "Tackling the Time Giant" Pastor David Cannistraci | June 8, 2014

"He shall persecute the saints of the Most High, and shall intend to change times and law. Then the saints shall be given into his hand for a time... But the court shall be seated, and they shall take away [the enemy's] dominion...forever. Then the kinadom and dominion...shall be aiven to the saints of the Most High." Daniel 7:25-27 (NKJV)

The enemy seeks to _____ time, but God's people are destined to be overcomers!

GOD'S VIEW OF TIME

"But do not overlook this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you..." 2 Peter 3:8-9 (ESV)

Martha, the sister of him who was dead, said to Him, "Lord, by this time there is a stench, for he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not say to you that if you would believe you would see the alory of God?" John 11:39-40 (NKJV)

Mary's view of time leads to sadness and ______. Christ's view of time leads to _____ life!

> "Chronos" = _____, ordinary time. "Kairos" = special, _____ time.

"So let's not get tired of doing what is good. At just the right time we will reap a harvest of blessing if we don't give up." Galatians 6:9 (NLT)

HOW TO TACKLE THE TIME GIANT

1. _____ your time to Christ.

Time (Cont'd)

"For by grace you have been saved through faith...We are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them." Ephesians 2:8,10 (ESV)

2. Develop a ______ for your time.

"Be very careful, then, how you live—not as unwise but as wise, making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil. Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the Lord's will is." Eph. 5:15-17 (NIV)

If we don't _____ our time, others surely will.

3. Rise up and become a Time-Warrior!

• "God controls my_____."

"My times are in Your hand; Deliver me from the hand of my enemies and from those who persecute me." Psalms 31:15 (NKJV)

• "I am in Christ."

"Everyone who is a child of God conquers the world. And this is the victory *that conquers the world—our faith.*" 1 John 5:4 (NCV)

FATHER GOD, Thank you for the victory that comes in Christ. Lately I've felt so sad and defeated in life. Forgive me for doubting you. Teach me to live on your schedule, not my own. Today I rise up and declare that I am an overcoming, Happy Warrior through Christ! In His Name, AMEN

THIS WEEK IN SMALL GROUPS

Icebreaker: Share the greatest time challenge you presently face.

Scripture: Let different members share a verse from this teaching that impacted them personally. What does it mean for them?

Talk It Over: *What changes can we make this week to tackle time issues?*

Prayer: *Pray for the peace of Christ to fill each group member this week.*

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