

Daily Devotion For June 5, 2020

“To everything *there is* a season, **A time for every purpose under heaven**” Ecclesiastes 3:1

Back in 1959, a folk singer by the name of Pete Seeger wrote a song called, “Turn, Turn, Turn.” The song became famous in 1965 when it was released by the Rock Group The Byrd’s. The words to Turn, Turn, Turn are taken from the book of Ecclesiastes 3:1-11. The opening words are, “To every thing, Turn, Turn, Turn, there is a season Turn, Turn, Turn, and **a time to every purpose under heaven.**”

For those of you who watched the first of four memorial services for George Floyd yesterday, you heard the Reverend Al Sharpton quote from Ecclesiastes 3:1. “To everything *there is* a season, **A time for every purpose under heaven**”

All of the experiences listed in Ecclesiastes 3 are appropriate at certain times. A time to be born, a time to die, a time to plant a time to reap, etc. I “think” that Reverend Sharpton’s point was that now is the **time** for American’s of every race, color and creed to wake up to the social injustices that have plagued our nation since its inception. The problem of racism and discrimination is no stranger to the Japanese American community as over 120,000 people of Japanese ancestry were interned in camp during World War II. I can’t say that I know the purpose of the tragic taking of George Floyd’s life is, but it would be wonderful if through his death, God brought about healing, peace, and reconciliation to our nation.

Thought For Today: What do you think Solomon meant by saying, “To everything there is a season, and a time for every purpose under heaven?”

Today’s Prayer Focus: Continue to remember John Mitchell and H. Kuwatani in prayer. Pray for the healing, peace, and reconciliation of our nation. Continue to pray this week’s prayer fuel. God Bless!