

July 1 Devotions

“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.” 2 Peter 3:8

Today is July 1, 2021. Have you ever asked the question “Where did the time go?” Does time seem like it is moving faster than it used to? Have you ever looked back and felt like that memory was only a moment ago?

In Ecclesiastes, the writer King Solomon, observed that everything happens in its time: “There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens” (Ecclesiastes 3:1). Similarly, we can observe cycles of peace and war, joy and sorrow, birth and death, silence and speech, all throughout history and even our own lives.

In his observation of the world, Solomon also noted that “there is nothing new under the sun; what has been will be again and what has been done will be done again.” When we look through the history of civilizations across the globe, it is clear that while the methods have changed for everything from communication to love and war, the essence of our human natures has not. We still go about doing the same things our ancestors did.

So, how should we face this constantly building whirlwind of life and time that has captured us since birth? We need to remember that God created time. He designed the seasons, cycles, tides and orbits that make up our understanding of time. Time is merely another one of His creations that can be used to bring glory to His name. It is a gift and a tool much like fire, which can be used to feed a family or burn a house down. In this way, God calls us to be good stewards of time and use it wisely according to His purpose so that we can live to the fullest.

Thought For Today: 1 Peter compares all people’s lives to the grass and flowers of a field – blooming brightly one day and gone the next. He affirms that the only thing that will last is God and His word. So live soberly taking advantage of each day by focusing on the only Eternal One!

Today’s Prayer Focus: Praise God that He is infinite and eternal, from everlasting to everlasting, the Alpha and the Omega. Continue to pray this week’s prayer fuel. Deo Volente.