

Welcome to Promise Land Bible Church  
We're glad you're here!



# ***Famous Quote:***

*“God has placed you where He has placed no one else. No one else in the world has the same relationships you have. No one will stand in the same grocery store line at exactly the same moment you do. No one else will come across a starving diplomat in the desert at exactly the same time you do. God hasn’t put you in those places merely to model the truth. Listen for the voice of the Spirit to whisper in your ear. Watch for the stranger on the road. And be aware of your opportunities to go where He would send you.”*

**CHUCK SWINDOLL**

An open book is shown from a low angle, looking up at the pages. The pages are filled with small, dense text, likely a Bible. The book is set against a bright blue sky with wispy white clouds. The text is overlaid in a large, bold, black font.

# **Today's Message**

**“Make the Best use of Time”**

**Scripture text: Ephesians 5:1-21**

**Ephesians 5:11-16** Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but **instead expose them.** For it is shameful even to speak of the things that they do in secret. But when anything is exposed by the light, it becomes visible, for anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, "**Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.**" Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, making the best use of the time, because the days are evil.

**1 Corinthians 5:9-13** I wrote to you in my letter **not to associate with sexually immoral people**-- not at all meaning the sexually immoral of this world, or the greedy and swindlers, or idolaters, since then you would need to go out of the world. But now I am writing to you not to associate with **anyone who bears the name of brother** if he is guilty of sexual immorality or greed, or is an idolater, reviler, drunkard, or swindler--**not even to eat with such a one**. For what have I to do with judging outsiders? Is it not those inside the church whom you are to judge? God judges those outside. "**Purge the evil person from among you.**"

**Romans 6:20-23** For when you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. But what fruit were you getting at that time from the things of which you are now ashamed? For **the end of those things is death.** But now that **you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God,** the fruit you get leads to sanctification and its end, eternal life. **For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

Remember where you have been and where you are going, and by whose power you can get there!

**1 Timothy 5:17-21** Let the elders who rule well be considered worthy of double honor, especially those who labor in preaching and teaching. For the Scripture says, "You shall not muzzle an ox when it treads out the grain," and, "The laborer deserves his wages." Do not admit a charge against an elder except on the evidence of two or three witnesses. **As for those who persist in sin, rebuke them in the presence of all, so that the rest may stand in fear.** In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus and of the elect angels **I charge you to keep these rules without prejudging, doing nothing from partiality.**

**John 3:19-21** And this is **the judgment**: the light has come into the world, and **people loved the darkness rather than the light because their works were evil**. For everyone who does wicked things hates the light and does not come to the light, **lest his works should be exposed**. But whoever does what is true comes to the light, **so that it may be clearly seen that his works have been carried out in God.**"

**John 3:36** Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life; **whoever does not obey the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God remains on him.**

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**Romans 13:11** Besides this you know the time, that **the hour has come for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed.**

**Colossians 4:5-6** Walk in wisdom toward outsiders, **making the best use of the time.** Let your speech always be gracious, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how you ought to answer each person.

**Matthew 10:16** "Behold, I am sending you out as sheep in the midst of wolves, so **be wise as serpents and innocent as doves.**

**1 Corinthians 14:20** Brothers, do not be children in your thinking. Be infants in evil, but in your thinking be mature.

**Philippians 1:27-28** Only let your manner of life be worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or am absent, I may hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit, with one mind striving side by side for the faith of the gospel, and not frightened in anything by your opponents. This is a clear sign to them of their destruction, but of your salvation, and that from God.

**Galatians 6:7-10 Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for whatever one sows, that will he also reap. For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption, but the one who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life. And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up. So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith.**

# God Be With You

## Hymn 523

