

**MONDAY****Teach Us to Number Our Days**

**..lay foundation...**

**2 Timothy 1:9** <sup>9</sup>who has saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works, but according to His own **purpose and grace** which was given to us in Christ Jesus **before time began**,

**Titus 1:2** in hope of eternal life which God, who cannot lie, promised **before time began**,

- Apostle Paul speaks of God's purpose/ grace = given to us in Christ Jesus "before time began" ....indicating
- time didn't exist as we know it until God built it into His creation.
  - Solar cycle = establish period YEAR
  - Lunar cycle = establish period MONTH
  - Measure days by time/ for Earth to make full rotation on its axis
  - Divine cycle established by our Creator = at end of Creation week that marks our weeks as 7 days
- Common sense / history tell us tseventh day has continued as = identifying mark of Lord's authority to establish Earth's time periods
- God understands/measure time = much differently than we do

**1 Timothy 6:16** = God alone has immortality, dwelling in unapproachable light = Self-existent / eternal / no beginning/end

**2 Peter 3:8** Beloved, do not forget this one thing, that with the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.

- Humans ALL share same predicament = **mortal** = subject to death
- Eating healthy/exercise = may prolong our lives by 10/20 years
- On timeline of eternity = our lives could be marked by a pinpoint

**James 4:14** For what is your life? It is even a vapor that appears for a little time and then vanishes away.

- Bible mentions soul/spirit over 1600 times = never associated w/immortality
- Until believers granted gift of immortality
  - **at Christ's SECOND COMING**

**1 Corinthians 15:54 AT LAST TRUMPET** <sup>54</sup>So when this corruptible has put on incorruption, and this mortal has put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written: "Death is swallowed up in victory." **LAST ENEMY TO BE CONQUERED IS DEATH**

### **ABSG BEGINS Psalm 90 - A Prayer Of Moses the Man of God.**

**Psalm 90:1-2** LORD, You have been our dwelling place in all generations.  
<sup>2</sup>Before the mountains were brought forth, Or ever You had formed the earth and the world, Even from everlasting to everlasting, You are God.

- places human predicament in context of God's care for people as their Creator. Hebrew word *ma'on*, "dwelling place," portrays Lord as shelter/ refuge of His people

**Psalm 90:4** For a thousand years in Your sight Are like yesterday when it is past, And like a **watch in the night**.

- Watch in the night = lasted 3 to 4 hours

**Psalm 90:5** You carry them [years] away like a flood; they are like a sleep. In the morning they are like grass which grows up: <sup>6</sup>In the morning it flourishes and grows up; In evening it is cut down/withers.

**Psalm 90:8** You have set our iniquities before You, Our secret sins in the light of Your countenance.

**Psalm 90:11** Who knows the power of Your anger? For as the fear of You, so is Your wrath.

- Implies no one has yet to experience full effect of God's anger against sin
- He restrains His righteous wrath = extends His grace to people who repent and gain wisdom for righteous living

**Psalm 90:12 So teach us to number our days, That we may gain a heart of wisdom.**

- Recognize brevity of life = only here today/gone tomorrow
- Gain heart of wisdom = understand purpose of life
  - Created for LOVE RELATIONSHIP w/Lord
- Life on earth = boot camp for eternity
- Wisdom = refuse to live separated from God's love = repent / accept His will /live in covenant relationship w/Him
- walking in faith / loving obedience = looking for His inheritance

**Psalm 90:17** And let the beauty of the LORD our God be upon us, And establish the work of our hands for us; Yes, **establish** the work of our hands.

- **In His mercy/compassion = God gives our brief lives value/purpose**
- **Delivers us from devastating effects of sin**

**Psalm 103:14–18** <sup>14</sup>For He knows our frame; He remembers that we are dust. <sup>15</sup>As for man, his days are like grass; As a flower of the field, so he flourishes. <sup>16</sup>For the wind passes over it, and it is gone, And its place remembers it no more. <sup>17</sup>But the mercy of the LORD is from everlasting to everlasting On those who fear Him, And His righteousness to children's children, <sup>18</sup>To **such as keep His covenant, And to those who remember His commandments to do them.**

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**John 3:16** For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

**Psalm 102:11** My days are like a shadow that lengthens, And I wither away like grass.

- Shadow lengthens= time for sunset =death approaches/life fades
- At end of our days = scorched/dried up like mown grass
- Bible writes frequently compare life to = withering flower/ grass