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## Good Hope Church Anniversary Challenge

The \_\_\_\_\_ Areas of Anniversary \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_

Acts 20:35; Selected Scriptures

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**Acts 20:33-35 (ESV)** - I coveted no one's silver or gold or apparel. <sup>34</sup> You yourselves know that these hands ministered to my necessities and to those who were with me. <sup>35</sup> In all things I have shown you that by working hard in this way we must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he himself said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'"

1. You must make sure you \_\_\_\_\_ your \_\_\_\_\_ in service to \_\_\_\_\_.

**Ephes. 5:15-17 (KJV)** - See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, [16] Redeeming the time, because the days are evil. [17] Wherefore be ye not unwise, but understanding what the will of the Lord is.

**Redeeming** - exagorazo, Greek 1805, Strong's *ex-ag-or-ad'-zo*;

**Time** - kairos, Greek 2540.

**Ephes. 5:15-17 (NLT)** - So be careful how you live, not as fools but as those who are wise. [16] Make the most of every opportunity for doing good in these evil days. [17] Don't act thoughtlessly, but try to understand what the Lord wants you to do.

**1 Cor. 7:29a (NLT)** - Now let me say this, dear brothers and sisters: The time that remains is very short, . . .

**Col. 4:5 (NLT)** - Live wisely among those who are not Christians, and make the most of every opportunity.

**Psalms 90:12 (NLT)** - Teach us to make the most of our time, so that we may grow in wisdom.

**Psalms 39:4 (NLT)** - Lord, remind me how brief my time on earth will be. Remind me that my days are numbered, and that my life is fleeing away.

2. You must make sure you \_\_\_\_\_ your \_\_\_\_\_ in service to \_\_\_\_\_.

**Romans 12:4-6a (NLT)** - Just as our bodies have many parts and each part has a special function, [5] so it is with Christ's body. We are all parts of his one body, and each of us has different work to do. And since we are all one body in Christ, we belong to each other, and each of us needs all the others. [6] God has given each of us the ability to do certain things well.

**1 Peter 4:10 (NLT)** - God has given gifts to each of you from his great variety of spiritual gifts. Manage them well so that God's generosity can flow through you.

**Talent (gifts) - charisma, Greek 5486, Strong's *khar'-is-mah*;**

**Manage - oikonomos, Greek 3623, Strong's *oy-kon-om'-os*;**

**1 Tim. 4:14 (NLT)** - Do not neglect the spiritual gift you received through the prophecies spoken to you when the elders of the church laid their hands on you.

**2 Timothy 1:6-7 (NKJV)** - Therefore I remind you to stir up the gift of God which is in you through the laying on of my hands. <sup>7</sup> For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind.

**3. You must make sure you \_\_\_\_\_ your \_\_\_\_\_ in service to \_\_\_\_\_.**

**Matthew 6:19-21 (NLT)** - Don't store up treasures here on earth, where they can be eaten by moths and get rusty, and where thieves break in and steal. [20] Store your treasures in heaven, where they will never become moth-eaten or rusty and where they will be safe from thieves. [21] Wherever your treasure is, there your heart and thoughts will also be.

**treasure - thesauros, Greek 2344, Strong's *thay-sow-ros*';**

**Rust —**

**Where thieves do not break through —**

**1 Tim. 6:18-19 (NLT)** - Tell them to use their money to do good. They should be rich in good works and should give generously to those in need, always being ready to share with others whatever God has given them. [19] By doing this they will be storing up their treasure as a good foundation for the future so that they may take hold of real life.

**Matthew 6:33 (KJV)** - But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.

**Mark 10:21 (NLT2)** - Looking at the man, Jesus felt genuine love for him. "There is still one thing you haven't done," he told him. "Go and sell all your possessions and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me."

### **T<sup>3</sup>147 Good Hope Church Anniversary Challenge**

In honor of Good Hope's 147<sup>th</sup> Church Anniversary I commit to give at least \_\_\_\_\_ of my time and talent volunteering in \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_, and make a \_\_\_\_\_ donation of \_\_\_\_\_, or any multiple thereof, in support of the ministry of the Good Hope Church.

### **Questions to Consider**

1. Do you think the phrase “time flies when you’re having fun” is true or false? Explain
2. Why’s it important to make sure you don’t waste time?
3. What’s the best investment you’ve ever made of your time?
4. What’s example can you give of someone who’s wasted their talent?
5. Which of your talents have you’ve failed to fully use in your life?
6. What’s the best investment you’ve ever made of your talents?
7. In what area(s) of your life have you wasted the most money?
8. What’s the best investment you’ve ever made of your treasure?
9. Why’s it important to invest your treasure (money) in spiritual things?
10. What commitments will you make over the next month to successfully complete the T<sup>3</sup>147 Challenge in your life in honor of our church anniversary?