

The Virtue Of Punctuality

You May Be Asking Yourself...

“Is This Really A Relevant Subject For A Lesson?”

Time Is A Very Important Subject To Most People!

•Because There Is So Little of It!

—Job 14:1-2, Psalm 39:5, James 4:13-14

•Other’s Time Should Be Respected!

—Romans 12:10

—Philippians 2:3

—Hebrews 10:24

•When We Disrespect Other’s Time, We Violate The Golden Rule!

—Matthew 7:12

Lack of Punctuality Is A Violation of The Greatest Commandment!

•Mark 12:28-31

—What Is It That I Esteem Higher Than God That Causes Me To Be Habitually Late?

—Recognizing The Problem Should Motivate Us To Examine Our Priorities!

•Maybe You Think That No One Really Cares !?!

—Malachi 1:6-9

—God Does Care !!!

Why Are Some Habitually Late?

•Because We Do Not **PLAN** To Be Early!

•Ephesians 5:15-16

•Colossians 4:5

—*Exagorazo (gk)* “to buy up for oneself,” *Eph. 5:16 and Col. 4:5*, of “buying up the opportunity” i.e., making the most of every opportunity, turning each to the best advantage since none can be recalled if missed.” (Vine’s Expos. Dictionary)

—Are We Making The Best Use Of Ours and Other’s Time If We Are Not Punctual for Assemblies?

What Is The Impact Of Punctuality On Visitors?

•Many Times Visitors Will Arrive Early.

•Being Early Many Times Will Be The Only Opportunity To Greet and Welcome Visitors.

•After Classes or Worship Have Begun, They Will Not Be Distracted.

•We Will Leave a Lasting Impression!

What Is The Impact Of Punctuality On Ourselves?

- We Will Have No Need For Embarrassment or Excuses!
- It Will Make Us Better People! Eccl 3:1
- It Will Provide A Positive Example To Those Visiting
- It Will Provide A Positive Example To Those Whom We Are To Edify Heb 10:24
- It Will Demonstrate Our Honor For God!

2 Corinthians 6:1-2

“We then, as workers together with Him also plead with you not to receive the grace of God in vain. ²For He says: “In an acceptable time I have heard you, And in the day of salvation I have helped you.” Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.”

Romans 13:11-12

“And do this, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep; for now our salvation is nearer than when we first believed. ¹²The night is far spent, the day is at hand. Therefore let us cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armor of light.”

“Better Three Hours Too Soon Than A Minute Too Late”

William Shakespeare

“Better Late Than Never!”

Common Expression

We Should Say,

“Better Never Late!”