PUT YOUR ALL INTO IT

KING HEZEKIAH

2 CHRONICLES 31:21

Day 28

"And every work that King Hezekiah began, he did with all his heart". What a wonderful thing to have said about you. There are so many people who have no work ethic, no personal discipline, no pride in their work. They just put in their time, let the clock tick on while they waste somebody else's time. On the job, if you have poor work habits or poor discipline, you are wasting your employer's time. After all, you are there so you must be paid, no matter what you accomplish during that day.

What about in our Christian walk? When we do shoddy work, whether at home or at the church, we are wasting God's time. When we can't bother to help someone in need because our precious needs must be met first, we are wasting God's time. When we read the Bible for five minutes & can hardly wait to get it done, we are wasting God's time. When a Bible lesson needs to be done, but I watch four hours of television instead, I am wasting God's time. When someone comes to my door and wants nothing more than to just talk for a while, but I really do not want to take the time to talk, I have just wasted God's time. When a letter comes in the mail asking for some advice or just for some comfort, and I just cannot find the time to answer that letter, I have just wasted God's time. When a friend asks you to pray for an urgent personal matter, and you say "yes" and then forget to do it, you have just wasted God's time. When your mind is tempted to think evil thoughts and you say "no" to the thought and then do it anyway, you have just wasted God's time. When you get up on a Sunday morning & lazily decide to skip church, you have just wasted God's time. When you gossip about other people in the church, or criticize them behind their backs, you have just wasted God's time.

We are to redeem (use it wisely) the time in this evil world by putting everything we have into everything we do for the benefit of others & for the absolute privilege of serving the Living God. God will use our time in His time at the right time to bless & enrich & heal those around us.

A CLOSER LOOK AT THE GODLY

APPLICATION QUESTIONS

- 1. Describe how generous you are with your time, and how that willingness to be available has reached people.
- 2. When you do a task or job, describe how you do that job with all the energy that you possess. Include any improvements you need to make in this area.

A PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

What do you need to say to God as you face the topic being discussed in this devotional? Write out your prayer word for word just as if you were praying. Use separate lined paper to record your prayer. Make sure you actually pray this prayer to the Lord. Be honest & be personal. After all, you mean business with God here. You want this area of your life either fixed, strengthened, added, or removed.