



Sermon Series

Like Sands  
through the  
Hourglass ...

What the Bible  
says about the  
Days of Your Life

Message 3

## PROCRASTINATION - Beware The Time Thief!

### Biblical Warnings for Procrastinators:

- 1) Recognize the \_\_\_\_\_ that procrastination does to \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

*"A slacker's way is like a thorny hedge, but the path of the upright is a highway." (Prov. 15:19)*

*Proverbs 24:30-34*

- 2) Don't let \_\_\_\_\_ things blind you to what's \_\_\_\_\_.

-- Put the \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_!

*"But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be provided for you." (Matt. 6:33)*

- 3) Be \_\_\_\_\_ about what you can \_\_\_\_\_ to, and be willing to \_\_\_\_\_ from the start.

*"It is a trap for anyone to dedicate something rashly and later to reconsider his vows." (Prov. 20:25)*

*"The one who boasts about a gift that does not exist is like clouds and wind without rain." (Prov. 25:14)*

- 4) Seek God's \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ your \_\_\_\_\_ more proactively and \_\_\_\_\_.

*"Pay careful attention, then, to how you walk—not as unwise people but as wise—making the most of the time." (Eph. 5:15-16)*

- 5) \_\_\_\_\_ from all forms of \_\_\_\_\_.

*"The one who is lazy in his work is brother to a vandal." (Prov. 18:9)*

*"As a door swings back and forth on its hinges, so the lazy person turns over in bed. Lazy people take food in their hand but don't even lift it to their mouth." (Prov. 26:14-15, NLT)*

*"If anyone isn't willing to work, he should not eat." (2 Thess. 3:10)*

*"There is profit in all hard work, but endless talk leads only to poverty." (Prov. 14:23)*

- 6) Don't let \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ immobilize you.

*"So I was afraid and went off and hid your talent in the ground. See, you have what is yours." (Matt. 25:25)*

*"Not that I have already reached the goal or am already perfect, but I make every effort to take hold of it because I also have been taken hold of by Christ Jesus. Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and reaching forward to what is ahead," (Phil. 3:12-13)*

- 7) Stop \_\_\_\_\_ and start \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ of accomplishing what you have been putting off.

*"The sluggard says, 'There is a lion in the road! A lion is in the open square!'" (Prov. 26:13, NASB, see also Prov. 22:13)*

*"I am able to do all things through him who strengthens me." (Phil. 4:13)*

*"Then the Lord said to Moses, "'Why are you crying out to Me? Tell the sons of Israel to go forward.'" (Ex. 14:15, NASB)*

*"...choose for yourselves today: Which will you worship—the gods your ancestors worshiped beyond the Euphrates River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living? As for me and my family, we will worship the Lord." (Josh. 24:15-16)*

### The Most Dangerous Thing of All to Put Off:

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*"See, now is the acceptable time; now is the day of salvation!" (2 Cor. 6:2)*