



“CLOCKS AND CALENDARS”

By Mary Mayko 2007

Eccles. 3:1-8 The Word of God tells us there is a time for everything!

Since time is a product of God to help mankind, it is our responsibility to manage it well! If we cooperate with Him we will “spend” our time here on earth in ways that will please Him!

Eccles. 3:11” He made everything beautiful in His time.”

**Clocks and Calendars! We all live by them! It seems they really do control our life,
And unless we are careful, we get so busy they will bring us misery and strife!**

**Clocks & Calendars give us some order and continuity, but when we go into “Over load”
We wonder why we are so irritated and worn us out as we walk along our daily road!**

**But we really need something to move us to thinking beyond just this day!
Have we considered where we will be, when we have finished living this way?**

**Some folks fill each waking hour with appointments and too many planned dates,
They are running here and there, leaving no time for family or even their own mates!**

**If our minds are always reflecting on yesterdays or focused on our tomorrow,
We will fail to enjoy God’s precious moments, much to our own sorrow.**

**Clocks and Calendars, they usually govern what we say and do each day!
Filling the history of our lives with unimportant things along life’s way!**

**While we know today is ours, the tomorrows for us may not even survive!
If you are living for Jesus, we have sweet assurance in Heaven we will arrive!
When we are no longer living by clocks and calendars, where will our destiny be?**

For what we do right now, will determine where we spend our future, you see!

**God has made our times, with clocks and calendars assigned for every man
And our days on Earth are numbered, for that is part of His divine plan!**

**Time seems to drag when you suffer without relief or the end in sight,
Weariness sets in and hope begins to fade, but don't give up the fight!**

**Remember, trials and troubles are temporary. This too, will pass, so never quit!
Work for God's kingdom without seeking promotion or self- credit!**

**Examine your own motives, but if others here on Earth, forget all we say and do,
Yet they remember to glorify our LORD and Savior, it really should not bother you!**

**In Heaven no more clocks and calendars, no more struggles with time or sin!
We will have forever to enjoy God's Grace and His love that will never end.**

**Ps. 37:18 "The LORD knoweth the days of the upright:
their inheritance shall be forever."**

Ps. 31:15a "My times are in Your Hands."

Job. 7:1a "Is there not an appointed time to man on earth?"

**Do you think of heaven often? Does pleasing and seeing Jesus cross your mind?
Are you looking for His Coming? Have you ever asked yourself,
Just what will my Savior find?**

**My Dad spoke daily of wanting to see his Lord!
His words and actions reflected his desires in one accord!**

**A favorite hymn he often sang, "O, I want to see Him, look upon His face, there to
sing forever of His saving Grace, on the streets of glory, let me lift my voice!
Cares all past, Home at last! Ever to rejoice!"**

**His time was well spent upon this earth!
Serving others, loving Jesus, his testimony of priceless worth!**

**I was there as my Dad lay dying, a stroke had locked his face,
Yet at the final moment, his eyes opened wide as he saw Jesus' loving grace!**

**With great joy his spirit left his body and with His LORD, to Heaven he went!
His life here on earth was often hard, but living for Jesus, it was well spent!**

**Like my Dad, I am compelled to say what Paul wrote in Phil. 4:14 "I press toward
the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."**

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“ARISE MY SOUL”

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Take heart my soul, though we fall, we will arise!
Be careful now and do not listen to Satan’s lies!
Arise my soul and take heed to what the Scriptures say.
God will lift us up when we fail to walk His perfect way.

When those you have trusted come against you now,
Arise, my soul for God will help you somehow!
You don’t have to sit there so sad and forlorn,
For He gives you comfort when you weep and mourn!

Our time on this Earth may be short or long,
So be sure to fill it up with love to Him in a song.
Praise God in your heart regardless of all strife.
Arise my soul and let the LORD bless your life!

Psalm 37:23-24 KJV “The steps of a good man are ordered by the LORD:
and he delighteth in his way. Though he fall, he shall not be utterly cast down:
for the LORD upholdeth him with his hand.”

Micah 7:8 KJV “Rejoice not against me, O mine enemy: When I fall, I shall rise;
when I sit in darkness, the LORD shall be a light unto me.”



“BLESSED MEDITATIONS”

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**In the reflections of my life, of things I’ve said or did in the past,
I wonder if they have true value, or make a difference or will last!
As I ponder over all the events that have happened this year,
Did I really make an effort to draw closer to Christ, or even come near?**

**I reflect on the many hours and days that seem so wasted,
Just letting time go by after all the good things I have tasted!
God’s mercies and faithfulness in so many ways I should have pondered!
But too often dwelt on heartaches or hard times, and time was squandered!**

**How could I have not meditated more on His divine love?
He’s done more than I ever deserved, with blessings from above!
But too often disappointments would crowd my conscious thought,
Of how I felt or sacrifices I made or complaints to the LORD I’d brought!**

**Have I really considered all the costs and made the right choices?
Have I been too busy or listened to too many other voices?
O my LORD! Let this New Year be a new beginning for my life!
Help me not to fill my time with thoughts of trouble and strife!**

**May my meditations of You bring a good reflection this year!
I want to remember all the blessings and times You fill me with cheer!
To be really thankful for my life as You promised a future and a plan
Already in Your mind for me, although for now it may not seem so grand!**

**May Your Name be honored each day by the way I walk
And my words not be idle but with wisdom when I talk!**

**Let this be a year that treasures each day that comes along,
A day of looking upward filled with love, peace and a new song!**

Joshua 1:8-9 NIV “Do not let this Book of the Law depart from your mouth; meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do everything written in it. Then you will be prosperous and successful. Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be terrified: do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go.”