The Value of Time

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Imagine a bank that credits your account each morning with $ 86,400. It carries over no balance from the previous day. It allows no overdraft. Each day it opens a new account for you. Each night the account is empty. How would you spend $ 86,400 so that you would have something of value at the end of each day?

Life is just like that "bank." Every morning, it credits you with 86,400 seconds. Every night, you have depleted your account. There are no refunds, and there's no drawing against tomorrow's "account." You must live in the present on today's deposits. Whatever you neglect to invest to good purpose can never be regained.

Invest intentionally so as to gain the utmost in meaningful living, both now and for eternity. Make the most of the relationships and opportunities God has given you today.

Teach us to number our days, that we may gain a heart of wisdom. Psalm 90: 12

The wisdom of the prudent is to give thought to their ways, but the folly of fools is deception. Proverbs 14: 8

To realize the value of **one year**, ask a student who failed a grade.

To realize the value of **one month**, ask a mother who gave birth to a premature baby.

To realize the value of **one week**, ask the editor of a weekly news digest.

To realize the value of **one hour**, ask the lovers who are waiting to meet.

To realize the value of **one minute**, ask a person who missed a plane.

“To realize the value of **one second**, ask a person who just avoided an accident.

To realize the value of **one millisecond**, ask the person who won a silver medal in the Olympics.