

SCC SMALL GROUP FOR CHARACTER DEVELOPMENT SERIES
IT PAYS TO PAY ATTENTION Part 8 of 8
Sunday Message – October 30, 2022

Getting Started:

Pastor Scott noted that God has no intention of making our lives meaningless. Have you identified some of the unique purposes God has made you for?

Talk about the subject of “Kairos time”. What does it mean to live out God’s purpose in His intended time and circumstance?

Ask someone to read Romans 13:11. What is it about the present time that makes it especially necessary to wake up from our slumber?

Searching the Scriptures:

ACHIEVING OUR GOD-INTENDED PURPOSE

A. How was Joshua’s speech in chapter 24:14-15 an example of faith development?

B. In Joshua 24:15 he tells the people to choose for yourselves who they will serve. How have intentional decisions and choices made a difference in your own life?

C. Joshua 24:15 also speaks of urgency: “choose this day”. How has God used urgency to bring you to a decision? (Think buying a house or car these days!)

D. James 1:6 and Matthew 6:24 talk about having a divided heart. Can you relate to this experience at some time in your life? If so, what was it like?

E. Passing on faithfulness to our children is a major theme in the Bible. Joshua 24:15 commits to the whole household serving the Lord. What have been your commitments, disappointments and joys in this area?

Application of the Scriptures:

A. The focus of this message is “Now is the time”. Based on the themes of the message, what has God been bringing to mind for new commitments or recommitments in your life?

B. Thinking back over the past eight weeks, what have been some helpful insights you have gained for your own character development?

For additional encouragement on this topic, check out the five day study plan: “As for me and my family” in the YouVersion Bible app <https://www.bible.com/reading-plans/23396>