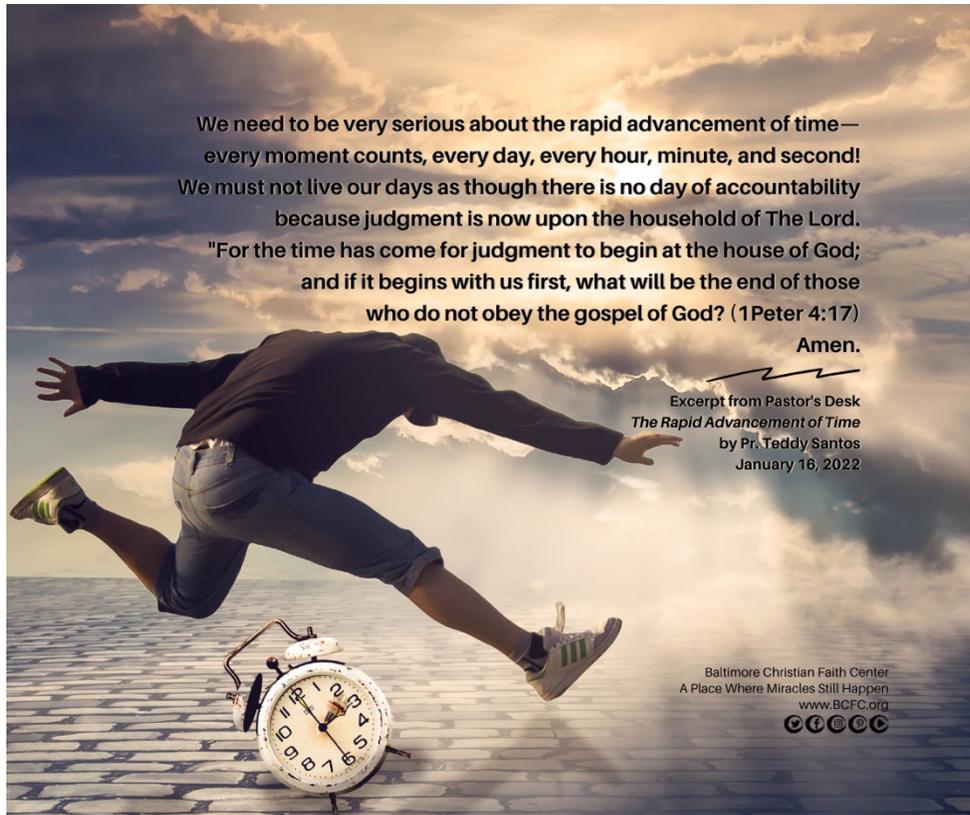


The Rapid Advancement of Time

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Psalm 90:1-4 *"(1) Lord, You have been our dwelling place in all generations. (2) Before the mountains were brought forth, Or ever You had formed the earth and the world, Even from everlasting to everlasting, You are God. (3) You turn man to destruction, And say, "Return, O children of men." (4) For a thousand years in Your sight Are like yesterday when it is past, And like a watch in the night."*

Possibly only **Isaiah 40** can liken this psalm in illustrating God's grandness and eternity in contrast to our deficiency and mortality. Moses' topic, nonetheless, is that God's eternity is the solution to our problem with time.

One might presume that we hardly need to be reminded of this. But when the deception that we are already immortal ("You shall not surely die") is merged with our natural and powerful tendency toward abusing time, God urgently needs to emphasize this on occasion. God frequently draws

attention to the briefness of our lives. In **Job 9:25-26**, Job mourns: "*Now my days are swifter than a runner; they flee away, they see no good. They pass by like swift ships, like an eagle swooping on its prey.*"

David prays to The Lord in **Psa 39:4-5**: "*LORD, make me to know my end, And what is the measure of my days, That I may know how frail I am. Indeed, You have made my days as handbreadths, And my age is as nothing before You; Certainly every man at his best state is but vapor. Selah*"

In addition, Asaph documents in **Psa 78:39**: "*For He remembered that they were but flesh, a breath that passes away and does not come again.*"

We need to be very serious about the rapid advancement of time— every moment counts, every day, every hour, minute, and second! We must not live our days as though there is no day of accountability because judgment is now upon the household of The Lord. "*For the time has come for judgment to begin at the house of God; and if it begins with us first, what will be the end of those who do not obey the gospel of God?*" (1Peter 4:17) Amen.

At His service,
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