



REFLECT: (20 minutes minimum)

8. "Just because something is impossible doesn't mean you shouldn't do it." What impossible thing might God have on the agenda of your life that you've not been willing to act upon?

9. Have you had one of those "seize the moment" opportunities to be God's person in a situation or another person's life recently? Briefly share it with us.

- 10. If you were to die tonight, do you know you would go to heaven? If you live 50 more years, do you have a purpose that's big enough to last a lifetime? Are you waiting for some reason before you deal with the ramifications of either of these questions?**

11. We think of stewardship as being mostly about money. But if our lives are on loan from God (he redeemed, or purchased us, with the blood of Jesus so that we are His, not ours), what are the day to day implications for the choices we make? The relationships we seek out? The opportunities we accept or ignore?

Put it into action this week:

In all likelihood this week, you're going to find yourself in one of those "God moments," an opportunity to advance God's agenda in the life of another person. Seize the opportunity.



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Ephesians #13

MAKING THE MOST

EPHESIANS 5:15-17

Many of our members will be traveling over the next two or three weeks. Not only should we pray for them, we should be available to minister to one another as the opportunity arises.



OPEN: (2 minutes)

1. If you were given \$86,000 tonight that you had to spend within 24 hours or it's gone, how would you use the money?

2. My favorite non-religious Christmas song is...



DIG: 
(20 minutes)

Read Ephesians 5:15-17 from at least three different translations.

3. What do you think Paul means by “making the most of every opportunity”? What opportunities? How do we make the most of them? (Compare verse 15 with what Paul said in Colossians 4:5,6)

4. Paul says “understand what the Lord’s will is.” What do you think Paul has in mind? How do we come to understand that?

5. What does wisdom have to do with making the most of every opportunity?

6. How might our attitudes about what really matters be affected if we made the connection that all the material things we chase after will someday be burned up? What would that do to our priorities?

7. How might we as Christians walk as unwise rather than wise?



Schedule Reminder:

Don't forget that we don't have Life Groups either of the next two weeks. Our next group meeting will be on January 3rd. Join us at 6 pm at the building each of the next two weeks.