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## WHO AM I ?

“I am free, but priceless”.

“You can’t own me, but you can use me.”

“You can’t keep me, but you can spend me.”

“Once you’ve lost me, you can never get me  
back.”

I AM  
“TIME”

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## 3 limited resources

1. people - measured by relationships
2. money - measured by material wealth
3. **TIME** - measured by mortality

## TIME related stress

Stress has become the number one malady of our time. The constant pressure associated with **living in the fast-paced** world has created an environment where nearly everyone at some point suffers from excessive stress.

**TIME RELATED STRESS IS A MAJOR  
PROBLEM IN OUR SOCIETY**

# God's perspective on time.....

**Any lasting perspective, on any LIFE issue.... will come by the WORD of God!!**

**The NT reveals 3 concepts about time.**

1. hora – measure of time (hour)
2. chronos – space of time or chronological time (event)
3. kairos – set or appointed time (season)

## TIME - “FRIEND” or “FOE” ?

How long is a **MINUTE**....?  
Depends on which side of the **BATHROOM DOOR**  
you're on!

When you're young..... it can't go fast enough!  
When you're old..... it can't go slow enough!

You can't change the past, but you can ruin the present by  
**worrying** about the future!

The Future is something which everyone  
reaches at the rate of sixty minutes an hour,  
whatever he does, whoever he is. ~ C.S. Lewis

# Time, as an ENEMY can result in.....

## HURRY SICKNESS

- stress
- anxiety
- worry
- IMPATIENCE

Type “A” personalities are most susceptible to suffer a high sense of URGENCY. (about 50% of gen pop.)

## A Simple Test:

1. How does heavy traffic affect you?
2. How do slow attendants on long queues affect you?
3. How do late appointments affect you?

## A Simple Truth:

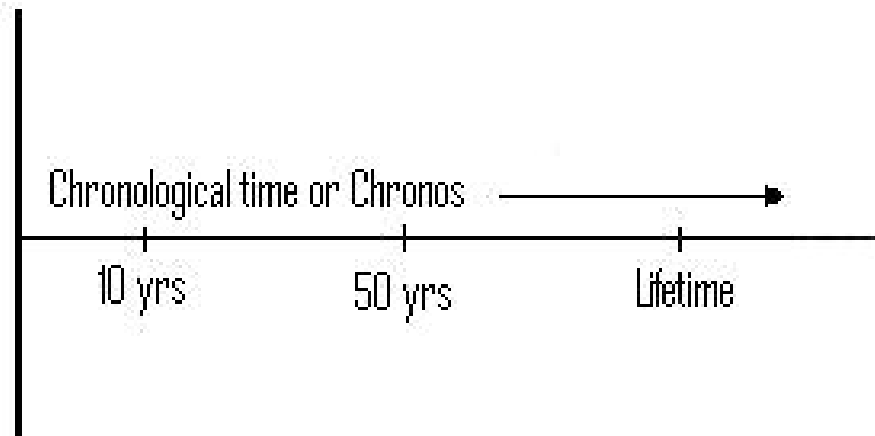
You can't change your personality, but you can manage it!

**Time as my “FRIEND”.....will produce.....**

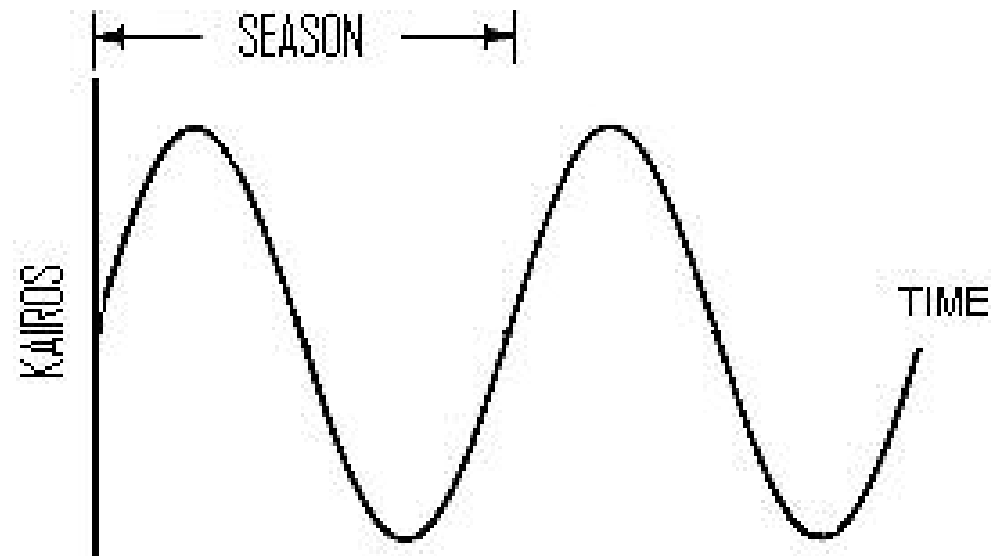
- endurance
- character
- patience
- faith
- **HARMONY & PEACE**

**Ecc 3:11 He has made everything beautiful in His time; also He has set eternity in their heart, so that no man can find out the work that God makes from the beginning to the end.**

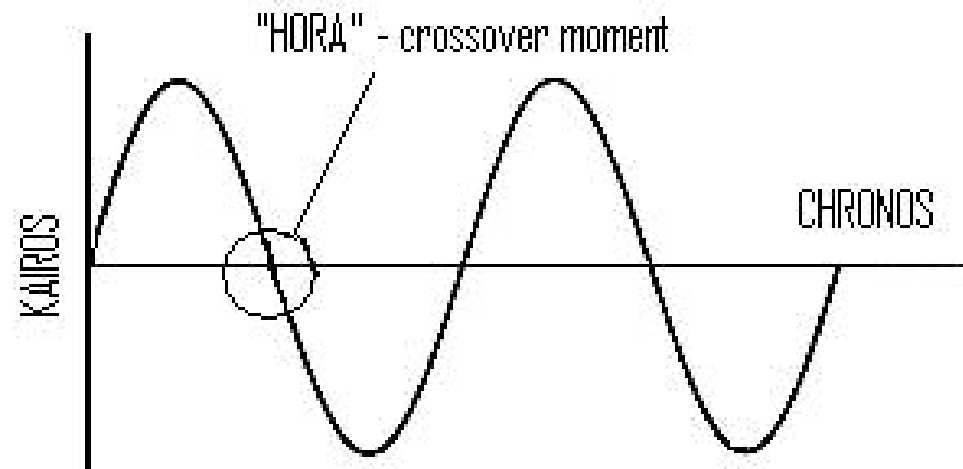
## Chronos time



## Kairos time



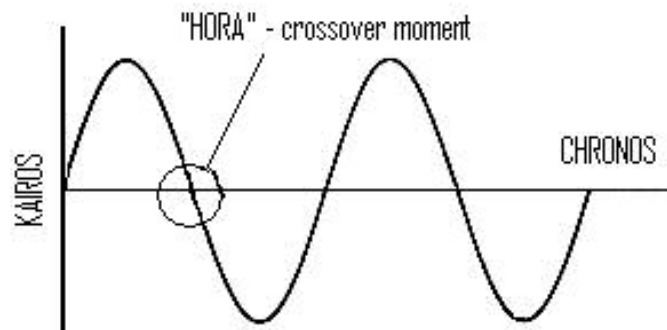
## The “Hora” of “Kairos” & “Chronos”



## Let's look at the convergence of "TIME" from this perspective!

Your Salvation – A divinely instigated moment

**ROM 13:11** And *do* this, knowing the time (*kairos*), that now it is **high time** (*hora*) to awake out of sleep; for now our salvation is nearer than when we *first* believed.



## “PRODUCTIVITY” is always associated with “KAIROS”!

Mat 12:1 At that **time (kairos)** Jesus went through the grain fields on the sabbath day. And His disciples were hungry, and began to pluck the heads *of grain and to eat*.

Mat 13:30 Let both grow together until the harvest. And in the **time (kairos)** of harvest I will say to the reapers, First gather together the darnel and bind them in bundles to burn them, but gather the wheat into my granary.

Mat 21:34 When it was **time (kairos)** to harvest the grapes, he sent his servants back to collect his profits.

Mat 16:2 He told them, "You have a saying that goes, 'Red sky at night, sailor's delight;

Mat 16:3 red sky at morning, sailors take warning.' You find it easy enough to forecast the weather--why can't you read the signs of the **times (kairos)?**

## “PRODUCTIVITY” is always associated with “KAIROS”!

Mar 10:30 but he shall receive a hundredfold now in this **time (kairos)**, houses and brothers and sisters and mothers and children and lands with persecutions, and in the world to come, eternal life.

## SO! .....HOW CAN WE PREPARE FOR KAIROS MOMENTS?

Act 1:7 And He said to them, It is not for you to know the **times (chronos)** or the **seasons (kairos)**, which the Father has put in His own authority.

Act 1:8 But you shall receive power, the Holy Spirit coming upon you. And you shall be witnesses to Me both in Jerusalem and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and *to the end of the earth.*

Act 1:9 And saying these things, *as they watched, He was taken up. And a cloud received Him out of their sight.*

## Time effectiveness released when we are filled with the Spirit

Eph 5:15 Look carefully then how you walk! Live purposefully and worthily and accurately, not as the unwise and witless, but as wise (sensible, intelligent people),

Eph 5:16 **Making the very most of the time (kairos)** [*buying up each opportunity*], because the days are evil.

Eph 5:17 Therefore do not be vague and thoughtless and foolish, but understanding and firmly grasping **what the will of the Lord** is.

Eph 5:18 And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but ever **be filled and stimulated with the [Holy] Spirit.** [*Prov. 23:20.*]

Eph 5:15 So watch your step. Use your head.

Eph 5:16 **Make the most of every chance you get.** These are desperate times!

Eph 5:18 Don't drink too much wine. That cheapens your life. Drink the Spirit of God, huge draughts of him. MSG

## LEARNING FROM ABRAHAM

Heb 6:13 For when God made promise to Abraham, because He could swear by no greater, *He swore by Himself,*

Heb 6:14 saying, "Surely in blessing I will bless you, and in multiplying I will multiply you."

Heb 6:15 And so, after he had **patiently endured**, he obtained the promise.

Jam 5:7 Therefore be **patient**, brothers, until the coming of the Lord. Behold, the farmer **waits** for the precious fruit of the earth and has **long patience** for it, until he receives *the early and the latter rain*.

## **CONCLUSIONS**

- 1. I will TRUST in God's promises.**
- 2. I will LEARN to make TIME my friend.**
- 3. I will SEEK to be filled with Holy Spirit sensitivity and be led by Him.**



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**THANK YOU**

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