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## THE TIMELINE OF ONE'S LIFE

**How to Live Life Completely** 

Ever ponder the scripture quote regarding how Death will come like a thief in the night? What about reflecting on the passing a friend or loved one and how there seemed to be so much more they had to give or that they did not finish some important thing? There always seems to be just one more thing to do, call to make, letter to be written, room to clean, purchase to make, child to see, relative to talk to, ad infinitum.

Perhaps these thoughts can be spun around. Perhaps a different attitude and thought process is demanded of we Christians. Perhaps we can live life so completely that when death comes to you like a thief in the night, there will be nothing left for him to steal.



By the choices we make, by the attitudes we exhibit, we are influencing lives every day in positive and negative ways...our family, peers, friends and even strangers we've never met before nor will see again. It might just be appropriate to ask yourself when you stare at yourselves in the mirror in the morning shaving, Are there things I'd like to change? Your answer may surprise you. It will go a long way toward determining the joy and happiness that you will experience in life.

Shortly we will investigate a presentation based on the length of a man's life. We will discuss ways to improve the Timeline between our Birth and Death dates. We will discuss how being Authentic and Specific in your life's desires, actions, directions and goals can improve your Spiritual Bottom Line. It is not the things we get that counts, but the hearts we touch that determine our success in life.

"It is the LORD who goes before you; he will be with you and will never fail you or forsake you.

So do not fear or be dismayed."

Deuteronomy 31 8

You were chosen for something.

Many times the difference of living a life of perpetual confusion and a purpose driven life, is a change in attitude with a hyphen of grace.

God's words and promptings in our lives help us to fulfill the special Mission Statement that is unique to each man. Let us pay close attention to the following Scripture, Catechism and presentation.

May God bless us with His Wisdom, Work and the Means to complete the mission given to each one of us. Amen

sympathetic with the striving and tolerant of the weak and strong. Because someday in your life you will have been all of these."

~ George Washington Carver

**Proverbs 2:5-8, 11-12** *In Change – Trust the* 

Trust in the LORD with all your heart, on your own intelligence do not rely; In all your ways be mindful of him, and he will make straight your paths.

Do not be wise in your own eyes, fear the LORD and turn away from evil; This will mean health for your flesh and vigor for your bones.

The discipline of the LORD, my son, do not spurn; do not disdain his reproof; For whom the LORD loves he reproves, as a father, the son he favors.

1 Thessalonians 5:1-5, 8-10 We are Made for the Lord's Work Concerning times and seasons, brothers, you have no need for anything to be written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief at night.

When people are saying, "Peace and security," then sudden disaster comes upon them, like labor pains upon a pregnant woman, and they will not escape.

But you, brothers, are not in darkness, for that day to overtake you like a thief. For all of you are children of the light and children of the day. We are not of the night or of darkness.

But since we are of the day, let us be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love and the helmet that is hope for salvation. For God did not destine us for wrath, but to gain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live together with him.

The Word of the Lord.

### Catechism

1007 Impetus for Change

Death is the end of earthly life. Our lives are measured by time, in the course of which we change, grow old and, as with all living beings on earth, death seems like the normal end of life. That aspect of death lends urgency to our lives: remembering our mortality helps us realize that we have only a limited time in which to bring our lives to fulfillment:

Remember also your Creator in the days of your youth,... before the dust returns to the earth as it was, and the spirit returns to God who gave it.

# LIVE LIFE COMPLETELY

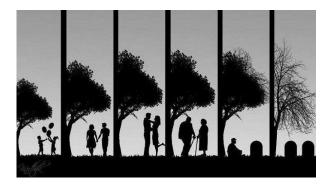
Do not save your loving speeches for your friends till they are dead. Do not write them on their tombstones, speak them rather now instead.

# **Questions to Focus on:**

1 What part of this presentation resonated most with you? Please share your thoughts.
2 Are there things you'd like to change? If you answered Yes, please explain.
3 Do you plan to share this information with anyone? Who and what way?

## **Men's Group Calendar**

7/25/2015	Leadership Meeting	8 AM Sacred Heart Library
<mark>8/8/2015</mark>	Men's Group	<mark>7 AM Mass</mark>
8/22/2015	Leadership Meeting	8 AM Sacred Heart Library
9/12/2015	Men's Group	7 AM Mass



MAY YOU ALWAYS HAVE LOVE TO SHARE, HEALTH TO SPARE, AND FRIENDS.

If you love somebody enough, you can still hear the laughter after they are gone.

(What Life-changing decision(s) am I going to make today?)



Lord, God and Savior, by your love you draw me to yourself. Forgive me – the sinner that I am, and fill me with every good thing, not withholding even the gift of your most beloved son. Come dwell in my heart.

Send forth your Holy Spirit to guide me in your path. Make me worthy of your love, and teach me how to forgive as you forgave.

Thank you for your tender mercies. I ask you to bless my family, friends and those who I meet in my comings and goings. Where there is joy, give them continued joy. Where there is pain or sorrow, give them your peace and mercy. Where there is self-doubt, release in them a renewed confidence. Fill their every need with your Holy Grace.

You are indeed my Lord, God and Savior. Amen



"By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to a place that he was to receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going." Hebrews 11:8

Will you allow Him to lead you?

St. Hilary Men's Group



# Give Samples of Jesus away Daily:

...and most of all TLove

† Mercy † Kindness † Justice † Joy † Forgiveness † Compassion † Peace