

Redeeming the Time

EPHESIANS 5:15-17

Busyness is Next To Godliness ...



The Wise Use of Time



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The Ruins of Ephesus



Ruins of Temple of Diana / Miniature



Ruins of the Theatre of Ephesus



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Ephesus at the Time of Paul

While its wealth, its splendor, its power, its temple to Diana of Ephesus, and its church have long since passed away, it was among the most distinguished cities of the world in Paul's day...

And it was an evil city.

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Marketplace “Agora”



Redeem

- ▶ **Agora = “marketplace”**
- ▶ **Ex = “exit”**
- ▶ **Exagorazo = “out of the marketplace, purchase out of the marketplace”**

Chronos: "Time"



Kairos: Opportunity!





**What is keeping you busy,
that is keeping you from
grasping opportunities for
Christ?**