

# HOW TO MANAGE LIFE'S UNMANAGEABLES

Making The Most Of My Life Part 1 of 10

**"...Who can say how one's days can best be spent?"**

Ecclesiastes 6:12 (Living Bible)

1. God's \_\_\_\_\_ for my life includes both good and bad times.

**"There is a time for everything and a season for every activity under heaven."**

Ecclesiastes 3:1

Positive Season	Negative Season
Be born	Die
Plant	Uproot
Heal	Kill
Build	Tear down
Laugh	Weep
Dance	Mourn
Gather	Scatter stones
Embrace	Refrain
Search	Give up
Keep	Throw away
Mend	Tear
Speak	Be silent
Love	Hate
Peace	War

**"Everything is appropriate in its time."**

Ecclesiastes 3:11 (Living Bible)

2. Affirm my faith in \_\_\_\_\_ times.

**"Though God has planted eternity in the hearts of men, even so, man cannot see the whole scope of God's work, from beginning to end."**

Ecclesiastes 3:11b (Living Bible)

Jesus said **"You do not realize now what I am doing, but later you will understand."**

John 13:7

Paul: **"I will say this: because these experiences I had were so tremendous, God was afraid I might be puffed up by them; so I was given a physical condition which has been a thorn in my flesh, a messenger from Satan to hurt and bother me and prick my pride. Three different times I begged God to make me well again. Each time he said, 'No, But I am with you; that is all you need. My power shows up best in weak people.' Now I am glad to boast about how weak I am; I am glad to be a living demonstration of Christ's power, instead of showing off my own power and abilities. Since I know it is all for Christ's good, I am quite happy about 'the thorn,' and about insults and hardships, persecutions and difficulties; for when I am weak, then I am strong—the less I have, the more I depend on him."**

2 Corinthians 12:7-12 (Living Bible)

**"(This happened)... so we might learn to trust, not in ourselves, but in God."**

2 Corinthians 1:9 (Phillips)

3. Steward all my \_\_\_\_\_ as God's gift to me.

**"All of us should eat and drink and enjoy what we've worked for. It is God's gift."**

Ecclesiastes 3:13 (Good News)

**"However many years a man may live, let him enjoy them all."**

Ecclesiastes 11:8 (NIV)

**"Be grateful for every year you live."**

Ecclesiastes 11:8 (Good News)

**"I've learned in whatever state I'm in, to be content."**

Philippians 2:11

4. Anticipate giving an \_\_\_\_\_ of my time to God.

**"...God will call the past to account."**

Ecclesiastes 3:15

**"God will be the judge of the good and the bad; because a time for every purpose and for every work has been fixed by Him."**

Ecclesiastes 3:17

**"Each of us will give an account of himself to God."**

Romans 14:12

**"Live life, then, with a due sense of responsibility, not as ones who don't know the meaning of life, but as those who do. Make the best use of your time..."**

Ephesians 5:15-16 (Phillips)