Redeeming the Time — A New Year Resolution

Redeeming the time, because the days are evil. (Ephesians 5:16)

"Redeeming the time," could rightly be interpreted, "Buying the opportunity." This is a metaphor that merchants and traders often use to strive to improve the way they do business. As believers, we would be wise to redeem the time that God has given us.

As we enter into a new year together, may God enable us to "redeem the time." Time is a gift that God has entrusted with us. We should make the best use we can of God's present season of grace. The reason that God has allowed us another NEW YEAR is that there are more of His elect to be redeemed under the preaching of the Gospel (1 Corinthians 1:21). May we redeem every opportunity God gives us to spread the glorious news of Christ and Him crucified. Why? "Because the days are evil." We live in wicked, troubled and dangerous times. Preachers in their pulpits are not telling sinners that God Almighty is plenteous in mercy. Multitudes are going out to meet God without a Savior, a Substitute, and a Sacrifice, because they have not heard that Christ came into the world to save sinners (1 Timothy 1:15). Lord enable us to "Redeem the time," so that we, like our Lord Jesus, may always be found to be about our Father's business in the days to come.

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