## Rolling Roads Baptist Church



NOVEMBER 2025



## Looking Over Jordan

As I am writing this article the leaves around here are changing fast! There is bright orange, yellow, deep red and even purple in the trees as I drive around our area. There are breezes blowing today and leaves can be seen blowing around, traveling from the trees to the parking lots across the street. This time of year I always notice the change in the sunlight. It may be my imagination but my eyes are sometimes bothered by the glare or the intensity of the light after the Fall Equinox. Recently, we turned our heating system on to chase away that nighttime chill in the air. Jackets are out, and I even located my gloves!

As part of my work, I have to regularly go into the computer and delete photos that are taken for work. They are no longer needed in that location, but take up valuable space. As I go back through them, sometimes selecting 50 at a time to delete, I see the things I've done in the recent months piece by piece. Very often I think, "It seems like I was just there!"

All of this reminds us that time is constantly passing by. Life is moving forward into the future. But if we stop there, we might miss the main point. It isn't just that time is passing by, it is that God's plan of salvation is being carried out all around us, even in creation.

Jesus spoke about time within the context of the Kingdom of God. He referred to the immanence of it, that it was now and suddenly upon the people. He taught that the time was at hand, and that the time was opportune, and that each day had enough trouble of it's own. So people should seek first the Kingdom of God, and His Righteousness, and that our heavenly Father will care for them.

The sermons of the book of Acts remind us of God's plan in time, or as we say, in and

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• Income: \$7909

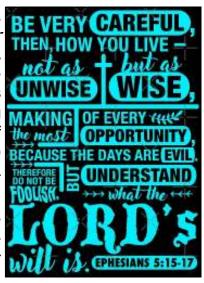
• Expense: \$8347

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through history. That is where God is accomplishing His plan of Redemption, also called the History of Salvation or Salvation History.

Ephesians 5:15-17 says, "Therefore be careful how you walk, not as unwise men but as wise, making the most of your time, because the days are evil. So then do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is." We are to care and be sober-minded about our manner of life. This means automatically that we use time to accomplish God pleasing things. We have to be careful of this, since the sinful mode of laziness and apathy just comes natural. We are created to pursue God's glory and God's will in the midst of the sinful world.

It's easy to see the march of time, but not so easy to see the march of the Lord through history. Do we panic? Are we mostly concerned about our own lives, or do we see our lives firmly placed in the hand of God?



Let's be thankful for the good life of the Lord, given to us by grace through faith in Jesus Christ, the Son of God!

Happy Because of Jesus,

Pastor James



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