



## ***7. It's Not About Time***

Ray Ortlund led me to faith in Jesus Christ when I was 10 years old ... sitting at a little table in my parent's living room. I asked Ray to write a verse in the front of my Bible ... he did ... a strange verse to write in a 10-year-old's Bible. I'll give it to you in a minute. The top of that card table was a redcoat hunt scene. A few years ago, I took its legs off and hung that table-top on my office wall. It's a constant reminder.

I'm recording this video during our COVID-19 stay-at-home order. Listen to this exhortation. *If you don't come out of your stay-at-home isolation having spent more time in prayer ... having studied more of the Word ... having grown closer to God ... having a refocussed spiritual purpose ... having a plan to serve God more effectively ... and having a greater commitment to share your faith and make disciples ... .. then you never lacked time, you lacked discipline.*

How does this connect to the verse Ray wrote in my Bible? Well, here's the verse ... my life-verse, 1 Corinthians 15:58. "Be

*steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your toil is not in vain in the Lord.”* The Amplified Bible expands it to, *“Be steadfast, immovable, always excelling in the work of the Lord [always doing your best and doing more than is needed], being continually aware that your labor in the Lord is not futile nor wasted.”*

Will you come out of your isolation as a better Christian? Will you be more steadfast, immovable and abounding? It's not about time ... it's about discipline.

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