



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 refo-*

cussed 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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