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Time

“For I have put my hope firmly in your word.” (Psalm 119:74)

Time is a valuable possession. You can obtain more money and manufacture more stuff, but you can't create more time.

Coach John Wooden each season would remind his players that there were only 24 hours in a day (86,400 seconds) and that they should always do their best in the time allotted.

How you spend your time is important. We all make plans for what is important to us. Coaches plan practices down to the minute. We plan for vacations. We plan for retirement. We plan weddings. We plan our daily activities at work. We plan reunions with old friends. We want to be sure those things do not sneak up on us in a way that would cause us to miss the full experience or slack in our responsibilities in completing them. Yet do we plan and spend time in God's word?

How you spend your time provides evidence of what you value and where your hope lies. If your hope is in God and you value his word then you will invest your time in them.

The psalmist above places his hope in God and his word. How do we do this? By reading it, meditating over it, learning it and practicing it.

Are you spending time in God's word? Are you sharing what you are learning with your athletes?

Question: Have you shared with your players the promise of God found in his word?

Challenge: Encourage your players to place their hope in God and his word. Read Psalm 119.

Prayer: Lord, thank you for affording me the opportunity to leave a Christ-centered impact in the lives of my players. Grant me the courage and strength to share the wisdom found only in your word.

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