



# NEW HEART BEAT DEVOTIONS

*“Make the most of your limited time on earth because it will affect your limitless time in heaven.”*

## Time

*“Time is the indefinite continued progress of existence and events that occur in apparently irreversible succession from the past through the present to the future.”<sup>1</sup>*

Not too far from my home is [The National Watch & Clock Museum](#). It opened in 1977 with 1,000 items. It now has over 12,000 items. You can take an [on-line tour](#). It is amazing. I went to it several years ago. I saw many watches and clocks from around the world and through the ages. I was even a human clock while standing at a certain spot and letting my shadow cast over markers on the ground. I was within minutes of the correct time. I rarely wear a watch and really hate being bound by time. But the visit made me think. Time never stops. Time cannot be saved for another time. Time is universal. Time is timeless.

Early time measuring devices includes “an Egyptian device that dates to 1500 BC, similar in shape to a bent T-square, measured the passage of time from the shadow cast by its crossbar on a nonlinear rule. The T was oriented eastward in the mornings. At noon, the device was turned around so that it could cast its shadow in the evening direction... The most precise timekeeping device of the ancient world was the water clock... The hourglass uses the flow of sand to measure the flow of time....Incense sticks and candles were, and are, commonly used to measure time in temples and churches across the globe. Great advances in accurate time-keeping were made by Galileo Galilei and especially Christian Huygens with the invention of pendulum driven clocks along with the invention of the minute hand by Jost Burgi.”<sup>2</sup>

*“Clocks can be driven by a variety of means, including gravity, springs, and various forms of electrical power, and the frequency of electronic transitions. Today, the Global Positioning System in coordination with the Network Time Protocol can be used to synchronize timekeeping systems across the globe.”<sup>3</sup>*

*With each passing second, the present becomes the past and the future becomes the present which immediately becomes the past. Most are so wrapped up in a time-based life that they do not have the time to think that their time is running out. With each second, they are getting closer to the time when time no longer matters.*

*But what if, there is a state to which time has no application. “For a thousand years in your sight are but as yesterday when it is past.” PS 90:4 Just think, ten thousand years and we just got started. It sounds like the “Twilight Zone”. Time without end is called eternity. Life without end is call eternal life.*

*Compared to eternity, our life here is very, very, very, very, very short. “For what is your life? It is even a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away.” James 4:14 During this brief time period of human life, we are to make a decision for eternal life. John 3:16 We are to yield our time to the Lord. We are to redeem our time by serving our Savior, family, friends and strangers. Eph 5:16 We are to warn others that the time of redemption is at hand. Mark 1:15*



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*Are you spending your time on activities that are meaningless when your time runs out?*



<sup>1 2 3</sup> [en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Time](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Time)

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