

## **Leadership And Kairos**

Ephesians 5:14-17

Kairos - the word has roots in both weaving (suggesting the creation of an opening) and archery (denoting the seizing of, and striking forcefully through, an opening)."

Kairos is an ancient Greek word that means "the right moment" or "the opportune." The two meanings of the word apparently come from two different sources. In archery, it refers to an opening, or "opportunity" or, more precisely, a long tunnel-like aperture through which the archer's arrow has to pass. Successful passage of a kairos requires, therefore, that the archer's arrow be fired not only accurately but with enough power for it to penetrate. The second meaning of kairos traces to the art of weaving. There it is "the critical time" when the weaver must draw the yarn through a gap that momentarily opens in the warp of the cloth being woven. Putting the two meanings together, one might understand kairos to refer to a passing instant when an opening appears which must be driven through with force if success is to be achieved.

In both senses, an artist (an archer, a weaver, an orator) must seize upon the crucial moment to perform accurately and skillfully in order to achieve a goal. The archer will connect suddenly and impactfully with his target; the weaver will forge a lasting bond upon which he can later build. It should not surprise, then, that the sophists seized upon "kairos" as a term defining the goal of effective communication.

Kairos is the \_\_\_\_\_ when something special happens.

Paul Tillich described kairos time as “the fullness of time,” or “\_\_\_\_\_ in which conditions are ripe for events to transcend linear time and take on greater, even \_\_\_\_\_ significance.”

Every life contains different \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ of kairos.

Kairos seasons and events shape and mold who you are and how you live out your relationships. Relationship and relatedness is vital because in the realm of the Spirit EVERYTHING IS \_\_\_\_\_

It is important that you understand the nature of your significant relationships, because they either cause you to \_\_\_\_\_ with confidence in the direction of destiny and purpose, or \_\_\_\_\_ in fear and cause you to be \_\_\_\_\_ from living in the freedom for which you are intended.

Kairos \_\_\_\_\_ and kairos \_\_\_\_\_ have affected the way you cope with situations (either in a healthy or an unhealthy manner). They also are a vital key to the creative expressions that \_\_\_\_\_ from within your core.

Kairos also plays a part in \_\_\_\_\_ resolutions, and learning how to resolve conflicts in a healthy manner.

A new-born child organizes its life and world around the face of first the mother, and then all the faces of significant others in their life. It is in this way that a child learns to SEE themselves and their place in the world.

We see the world through a \_\_\_\_\_ lens

(Consider Father-issues, Father-Wounds, Father-hunger)

\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ are an important aspect of formation and affect interaction with kairos.

The creation of a SAFE PLACE is an aspect of the work of parenting, and clearly an aspect of the work of God in your life.

The creation of a safe place:

- A place where once can \_\_\_\_\_
- A place where one can be \_\_\_\_\_
- A place where one can be \_\_\_\_\_
- A place where one can be \_\_\_\_\_
- A place where one can \_\_\_\_\_
- A place where one can \_\_\_\_\_
- A place where one can \_\_\_\_\_
- A place of structure that provides \_\_\_\_\_ to learn more about oneself and one's relationships
- A place to \_\_\_\_\_ problems
- A place to \_\_\_\_\_ solutions
- A place to learn how to \_\_\_\_\_
- A place to manage one's \_\_\_\_\_
- A place to manage one's \_\_\_\_\_

It is important to grow in \_\_\_\_\_ in order to unlock the \_\_\_\_\_ areas in your life of potential. When you unlock those areas you experience greater freedom.

A core need within you is the need for \_\_\_\_\_

You were created to live an extraordinary life; it is inherent in your \_\_\_\_\_

Some choose to embrace that call when they \_\_\_\_\_ it deep within, and others choose to \_\_\_\_\_ it out with the noise of preferred and various distractions.

In Latin there is a term: CARPE DIEM

It literally means “PLUCK-THE-DAY”

Since it is appointed unto man “once to die” after which there is a judgment of what you accomplished and more importantly what you may have failed to accomplish, the reality is that there is a SPAN OF TIME in which you are given the opportunity to LIVE YOUR LIFE, and LIVE YOUR DREAM.

You are called to create a \_\_\_\_\_, which is all about leaving something behind for others to grow on!

It is important that you take the time required to learn how to \_\_\_\_\_ opportunity when it comes, to master moments of kairos.

When the apostle Paul lays hold of the Greek word “kairos”, he expands it’s meaning from a divine perspective and makes his readers and listeners aware of that fact that kairos exists in the present moment. Present Moment Awareness is vital to effective and strategic living. When “PMA” is observed, defining moments become possible. For Paul, and hopefully for you and I, defining moments become a time frame in which we experience divine interaction and other-worldly occurrences.

Paul calls us to \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ the opportunity!

Kairos moments are experienced in FLOW and CONVERGENCE, and cannot be measured in linear time (kronos)

Kairos time isn't something you \_\_\_\_\_ -up to...it is something you \_\_\_\_\_ in and \_\_\_\_\_, and cooperate with.

Kairos moments are extraordinary moments

Kairos moments need to be recognized for what they are...specific periods of DIVINE \_\_\_\_\_

When David comes to the battlefield and ultimately slays Goliath, he recognized it was a kairos moment...which shaped not only history, it shaped his destiny.

Kairos moments are high-\_\_\_\_\_ moments.

A kairos moment is \_\_\_\_\_ with potential, and \_\_\_\_\_with possibility!

God brings to light His rhema-word at His appointed season (kairos...Titus 1:1-3)

When you apprehend your kairos moments you have the opportunity to \_\_\_\_\_your world!