

## With A Balanced Approach, Take Some Time

### I. Introduction:

- A. We never want to act like we have control over time (**Proverbs 27:1**).
  - 1. We cannot guarantee tomorrow (**James 4:13-16**).
  - 2. We don't know what the future can hold (**Ecclesiastes 9:10-12**).
- B. There's balanced [more to come on the balance aspect] urgency when it comes to your soul (**II Corinthians 6:1-2** and **Hebrews 13:3**).
  - 1. You could die at the most unexpected time (**Luke 12:13-21**) and then the Judgment (**Hebrews 9:27**).
  - 2. We are supposed to be ready for that day (**II Peter 3:1-14**).

### II. Body: With What Was Stated Above In Sight, Let's Consider That In Most Things It Is Good Not To Rush (**Proverbs 19:2**).

- A. The balance to urgency is that the Lord wants us to think through our spiritual choices (**Joshua 24:19-24**, **Luke 14:25-33**, **Luke 18:18-23**).
  - 1. Looking to the future in your decision making process (**Deuteronomy 32:15-29** and **Isaiah 47:1-7**).
  - 2. Consider where you're headed (**Proverbs 4:25-27** and **Ephesians 5:15-17**).
  - 3. Again though, balance, when it comes to salvation; you'd better not take too much time (**Psalms 119:159-160**).
- B. Even in carnal matters, don't overly rush things (**Proverbs 21:5**).
  - 1. Quick decisions don't always result in lasting success (**Proverbs 28:22**).
  - 2. The wisdom used in carnal decisions often translates into spiritual thinking and actions (**Matthew 13:44-46** and **Luke 16:1-13**).
- C. Think about a few ways you can use time wisely when making decisions (**Proverbs 16:20**).
  - 1. Get WISE counsel (**Proverbs 11:14**, **Proverbs 15:22**, **Proverbs 24:6**, and **Titus 2:2-6**).
  - 2. To test what you're thinking (**I Thessalonians 5:21**).
  - 3. To see what happened to others who walked that path (**Jude 1:5-7**).
  - 4. Use time to be sure (**Romans 4:17-22**).
  - 5. Know yourself and consider these things as they relate to you and your state of being (**II Corinthians 13:5**).

### III. Conclusion: He that is hasty of spirit exalteth folly (**Proverbs 14:29**).