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## **Time And Place**

**If I said that I wanted to speak to you would you listen to me?** Of course I would listen to you. **No really, how attentively would you listen to me? Would you set apart a time and a place to meet with me so that you could hear my voice?** Yes Lord, I would set apart a time and a place to meet with you to hear your voice. **What would you do if I said I wanted to meet with you everyday?** Then I would set a time and a place to meet with you every day. **Very good, that's what I want. I want to speak to you everyday. So, I will let you set the time and pick the place for us to meet together.** Alright then, I will. **You're serious?** Yes, I am very serious. **So, am I.**

**What do you think will happen if you don't hear and listen to my voice?** I'm not really sure. **Go ahead, take a guess.** If I don't hear and listen to your voice I won't know you very well. I won't know your will or your ways. **That's a very good guess, or is it a guess?** No, I'm speaking from the voice of experience. The only way that I will really know you is to meet with you, to hear what you want to say to me. **That's right. So, you intend to meet with me in my word, is that right?** Yes, it is.

**What else will happen to you if you don't hear and listen to my voice?** There's more? **Yes, there is. Take another educated guess.** If I don't hear and listen to you I will stray away from you. **Where will you stray?** I will stray off into the world and all that it has to offer. **Will the world offer you what will benefit your soul?** No, the world will offer thoughts, values and practices that are very far away from your will and ways. **Yes, it will. If you allow yourself to be conformed to the world what will happen to your heart?** My heart will begin to enjoy the deceitfulness of sin. I will learn to hate your will and ways once I have tasted of all that the world has to offer. I will begin to think that your will and your ways are standing in the way of me enjoying myself. **What will you really be enjoying?** I will be enjoying the pleasures of sin. **What are the ultimate wages of sin?** Sin brings death both in this life and in the life to come. **Yes, it does. You don't want that.** No, I don't. I want my heart to be turned toward you. I want to hear all that you have to say to me. I want to live the life you have given me to live. I want to know you. I want you to know me. **That's very good. So, what are you going to do?** I am going to set apart a time and a place to meet with you every day. **That will be very good.** I'm looking forward to that. **So, am I.**

*Lord, thank you for your word that speaks to me and keeps my heart and mind on you. I will listen attentively to all that you have to say to me so that I can know your ways and do your will as I enter into your peace and rest. Amen*

**Heart** *Going Astray*  
That is why I was angry with that generation, and I said, 'Their hearts are always going astray, and they have not known my ways.'  
NIV Hebrews 3:10

**Heart** *Go Astray*  
Therefore I was provoked with that generation, and said, 'They always go astray in their heart; they have not known my ways.'  
ESV Hebrews 3:10

**Heart** *Turn Away*  
So I was angry with them, and I said, 'Their hearts always turn away from me. They refuse to do what I tell them.'  
NLT Hebrews 3:10

**Heart** *Go Astray*  
Therefore I was angry with that generation, And said, 'They always go astray in their heart, And they have not known My ways.'  
NKJV Hebrews 3:10

**Heart** *Go Astray*  
for forty years. Therefore I was angry with that generation, and I said, 'They always go astray in their hearts, and they have not known my ways.'  
NRSV Hebrews 3:10

**Heart** *Refuse To Walk Down My Road*  
And I was provoked, oh, so provoked! I said, "They'll never keep their minds on God; they refuse to walk down my road."  
MSG Hebrews 3:10

**Heart** *Err And Are Led Astray*  
And so I was provoked (displeased and sorely grieved) with that generation, and said, They always err and are led astray in their hearts, and they have not perceived or recognized My ways and become progressively better and more experimentally and intimately acquainted with them.  
AMP Hebrews 3:10

**Heart** *Looking Somewhere Else*  
"But," God says, "I was very angry with them, for their hearts were always looking somewhere else instead of up to me, and they never found the paths I wanted them to follow."  
TLB Hebrews 3:10

**Heart** *Go Astray*  
"THEREFORE I WAS ANGRY with this GENERATION, AND SAID, 'THEY ALWAYS go astray in their HEART, AND THEY DID NOT KNOW MY WAYS';  
NASB Hebrews 3:10

**Heart** *Not Loyal To Me*  
I was angry with them. I said, 'They are not loyal to me and have not understood my ways.'  
NCV Hebrews 3:10

# Going Astray

Year \_\_\_\_\_ Week \_\_\_\_\_ Day \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Heart** – Hebrews 3:10

**In Context:** *Read Hebrews 3*

**Begin With Prayer:**

***Here I am Lord. I Am Listening.***

**Meditating On God’s Word:** ***(What is God speaking to your heart?)***

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**Considering The Words:** ***(What words speak to your heart?)***

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**Praying The Scripture:**

***(What prayer from your heart will you write?)***

Lord, thank you for your word that speaks to me and keeps my heart and mind on you. I will listen attentively to all that you have to say to me so that I can know your ways and do your will as I enter into your peace and rest. Amen

**What It Means:**

***(What questions speak to your heart?)*** *(Suggested questions for small group discussion are in bold)*

When have you turned your heart away from God by not doing what He asked of you?

**How has keeping your mind on God and His word helped you to walk in obedience with Him?**

When have you turned your heart toward God by doing what He asked of you?

**How has keeping your mind on God and His word helped you to understand His ways and do His will?**

How are you making your heart and mind attentive and responsive to the voice of the Holy Spirit?

How has walking with God and doing what He asks of you allowed you to enter into His peace and rest?

**How are you being protected from having an unbelieving heart that turns away from the living God?**

**Living It Out:**

***(What action step is God guiding your heart to take?)***

On a daily basis keep your heart and mind on God and His word as you walk with Him through life.

**Seeing It Happen:**

***(What are you trusting God for in your heart?)***

Have faith that keeping your mind on God and His word will protect you from having an unbelieving and straying heart.

**Get Ready To Share:**

***(What can you share with others from your heart?)***

Share with another person or your small group how you are keeping your heart on God and His word on a daily basis.

**Close With Prayer:**

***Quiet Yourself Before The Lord***

*Pause And Offer Prayers Of...*

*With An Attitude Of Faith Listen To What The Lord Wants To Say To You*

Adoration... \_\_\_\_\_

Thanksgiving... \_\_\_\_\_

Confession... \_\_\_\_\_

Intercession... \_\_\_\_\_

Petition... \_\_\_\_\_

**Journal**

*As You Quiet Yourself Before The Lord*

**What Do You Want To Say To Me Lord?**

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**What Prayers Are You Praying Today?**

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**Prayer Of Blessing**

*(What Prayer Of Blessing Can You Pray For Another?)*

*May you have a believing heart that listens attentively to God and His word and doesn't go astray from Him.*

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**Prayer To Carry**

*(What Prayer Would You Like To Carry Throughout Your Day?)*

*Lord, help me to hear and obey all that you have to say to me today as I love, follow and serve you.*

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**What Do You Want To Remember About Today?**

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**A Question To Ask God**

*(What Would You Like To Ask God?)*

*Lord, is there anyway in which my heart is straying away from you?*

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