**Series: It’s Christmas Time**

**Today: Time Flies**

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1. Time flies but God sustains.

***Psalm 90***

*1Lord, you have been our dwelling place  
    throughout all generations.  
2Before the mountains were born  
    or you brought forth the whole world,  
    from everlasting to everlasting you are God.*

*3You turn people back to dust,  
    saying, “Return to dust, you mortals.”  
4A thousand years in your sight  
    are like a day that has just gone by,  
    or like a watch in the night.  
5Yet you sweep people away in the sleep of death—  
    they are like the new grass of the morning:  
6In the morning it springs up new,  
    but by evening it is dry and withered.*

*7We are consumed by your anger  
    and terrified by your indignation.  
8You have set our iniquities before you,  
    our secret sins in the light of your presence.  
9All our days pass away under your wrath;  
    we finish our years with a moan.  
10Our days may come to seventy years,  
    or eighty, if our strength endures;  
yet the best of them are but trouble and sorrow,  
    for they quickly pass, and we fly away.  
11If only we knew the power of your anger!  
    Your wrath is as great as the fear that is your due.  
12Teach us to number our days,  
    that we may gain a heart of wisdom.*

***Romans 6:23***

*For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life inChrist Jesus our Lord.*

***1 Thessalonians 5:9***

*For God did not appoint us to suffer wrath but to receive salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ.*

***Psalm 90***

*13Relent, Lord! How long will it be?  
    Have compassion on your servants.  
14Satisfy us in the morning with your unfailing love,  
    that we may sing for joy and be glad all our days.  
15Make us glad for as many days as you have afflicted us,  
    for as many years as we have seen trouble.*

1. Time flies but you can be wise.

***James 4:13-17***

*13Now listen, you who say, “Today or tomorrow we will go to this or that city, spend a year there, carry on business and make money.” 14Why, you do not even know what will happen tomorrow. What is your life? You are a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes.*

*15Instead, you ought to say, “If it is the Lord’s will, we will live and do this or that.” 16As it is, you boast in your arrogant schemes. All such boasting is evil.*

*17If anyone, then, knows the good they ought to do and doesn’t do it, it is sin for them.*

1. Time flies but God renews.

***2 Corinthians 4:16***

*Therefore we do not lose heart. Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day.*