

## Acts of Jesus, Lesson 50: Opportunity Awaits

### Have you ever hesitated at an opportunity??

- ✓ We are going to read about someone who not only hesitated but missed the most important opportunity in his life.
  - ✓ **Acts 23:26-27**
  - ✓ How sad: never is there any indication that Felix ever accepted Christ.
  - ✓ Felix and Drusilla lives read like a soap opera:
  - ✓ How crazy can a life be?! — Your life might read like a soap opera, but the Good News is that is doesn't matter how messed up you are God is accepting a forgiving every person who will place their faith in Jesus.
  - ✓ **Acts 16:31**: this man was faced with death, but he reached out and cried out to a Savior and didn't miss his opportunity.
  - ✓ This was not the case for Felix: **Verse 25**
  - ✓ He even knew quite a bit about Christianity: **Verse 22a**,
  - ✓ **A missed opportunity with eternal consequences.**
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### **1. How are you at ceasing the opportunities God is bringing your way?**

- ✓ **Ephesians 5:15-16 (NIV)**
  - ✓ Are you making the most of every opportunity??
  - ✓ Every day we all face opportunities to grow and make a difference for the kingdom of God:
    1. Opportunity to set our alarms a little earlier and get up a spend time with God and interceding for the world around us. Or we can wake up late and miss that opportunity.
    2. Opportunity to read Christian books that can enrich us spiritually or we can fill our heads full of books and novels that in many cases contain things that the Bible plainly commands us to avoid.
    3. Opportunity to get our finances in order so we can give generously to the things of God and be good stewards of what He's entrusted to us, or we can squander it on temporary things.
    4. Opportunity to be faithful to church and Bible study to grow together with others in our faith, or we can forsake the assembly.
    5. Opportunity to talk to a lost person about our Savior, or busy ourselves with less important things.
  - ✓ I fear that many believers have gotten caught in the pursuit of lesser things: Call ourselves believers and followers of Jesus, yet other than going to church when we can and leading relatively moral lives; **our goals are not much different than the world around us.**
  - ✓ Little or no effort given to advancing the kingdom of God.
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To invest our lives in things that matter, to build into people's lives! We've got to take advantage of our window of opportunity!

Common reasoning says wait till later in life to deal with God.

God says something completely different: "Now is the acceptable time, today is the day of salvation."

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