



HOUSE OF GRACE FELLOWSHIP

Right Place, Right Time- God's Way!

Sunday Service
August 3, 2025

*“I returned and saw under the sun that—
The race is not to the swift,
nor the battle to the strong,
nor bread to the wise,
nor riches to men of understanding,
nor favor to men of skill;
but time and chance happen to them all.”*

—Ecclesiastes 9:11 NKJV



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I. Effort Alone Doesn't Guarantee Outcome

- Human effort (speed, strength, intelligence, skills) is valuable but not final.
- **Success ≠ Self-effort**, but God's appointed *time and divine opportunity*.

**Ecclesiastes 9:11, tells us that
success, favor, and victory do not come by our
intelligence, skills, talents, honor, or credential.
They come by time and chance happening to
us. And only God is able to put us at the right
time, at the right place.**



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When US Airways Flight 1549 struck a flock of geese shortly after takeoff, both engines failed. Captain **Chesley "Sully" Sullenberger** made the impossible decision to land the plane in the Hudson River.



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Corrie ten Boom was a Dutch Christian who helped Jews escape Nazi persecution. She and her family were arrested and sent to a concentration camp.

In the barracks, Corrie smuggled a Bible and it was **never discovered**, allowing her to lead Bible studies and bring hope to many women.

Her release came due to a **clerical error** just days before women in her age group were executed.



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9/11 Survivors Who Missed Work or Were Delayed (2001)





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Ecclesiastes 9:11

Psalm 91:1

“He who dwells in the secret place of the Most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.”

Psalm 118:8

"It is better to trust in the Lord than to put confidence in man."

Psalm 117

Shortest chapter
in the bible

Psalm 118

Central chapter
In the bible

Psalm 119

Longest chapter
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594 chapters
(Gen. to Ps 117)

1188 chapters

594 chapters
(Ps 119 to Rev)



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II. God Orchestrates Time (Kairos) and Chance (Qarah)

*"I returned and saw under the sun that—
The race is not to the swift,
nor the battle to the strong,
nor bread to the wise,
nor riches to men of understanding,
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but **time** ('eth' – 'kairos')
and **chance** ('qarah') happen to them all."*

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The Hebrew Word for *time* is ‘eth’ -
The Greek word for time is “*Kairos*”
which means:

- *opportune seasonable time, the right time*
(Thayer's Definition)
- *time as opportunity—the suitable time, the right moment, a favorable moment* (*Word Studies*)
- *Appointed, favorable, divine moment.*

The Hebrew words for “*chance*” is “*Qarah*”

“Qarah”: Right happening, divinely set encounter

—not random luck.

- Together, this phrase refers to *right happenings orchestrated by the Lord.*
- God is the Master Scheduler of divine appointments.

The word “**eth**” or **kairos** was first mentioned in the story of Noah in Genesis 8.



"Then the dove came to him in ('eth) the evening, and behold, a freshly plucked olive leaf was in her mouth; and Noah knew that the waters had receded from the earth."

—Genesis 8:11 NKJV



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“in (‘eth’) the evening” – This first mention of “eth” or “*kairos*” happened after God’s judgment through the flood. In our dispensation, this is a picture of God’s favorable time for His people under the new covenant. We get to enjoy God’s blessings of grace and favor because our Lord Jesus took all of the judgment we deserved when He bore our sins at the cross.



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III. Kairos moments are God-appointed moments of breakthrough.

“Therefore repent and return, so that your sins
may be wiped away, in order that times
(‘*kairos*’) of refreshing may come from the
presence of the Lord.”

—Acts 3:19 NASB

*“And let us not grow weary while doing good, for
in due season (kairos) we shall reap if we do not
lose heart.”*

—Galatians 6:9 NKJV

Genesis 18 records God's promise of a son to Abraham and Sarah. When God appeared to Abraham and prophesied Sarah's pregnancy, He said:

*“I will certainly return to you
according to the time ('eth')
of life, and behold,
Sarah your wife shall have a
son.”*

—Genesis 18:10 NKJV



*“Is anything too hard for the LORD?
At the appointed time I will return to
you, according to the time ('eth') of life,
and Sarah shall have a son.”*

—Genesis 18:14 NKJV

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*“Therefore, as we have opportunity, (kairos)
let us do good to all, especially to those who are
of the household of faith.”*

—Galatians 6:10 NKJV

This “*kairos*” year is an opportune and favorable season where we will reap many blessings. When God’s blessings manifest in our lives, let’s use it as an opportunity to do good, and bless others!



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IV. Depend on God's grace and be led to right happenings



“And Ruth the Moabitess said unto Naomi, Let me now go to the field, and glean ears of corn after him in whose sight I shall find grace. And she said unto her, Go, my daughter. And she went, and came, and gleaned in the field after the reapers: and her hap was to light on a part of the field belonging unto Boaz, who was of the kindred of Elimelech.”

—Ruth 2:2–3 KJV

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- Ruth “happened” upon Boaz’s field — that was **qarah**.
- Like Ruth, we don't deserve grace but receive it through Christ.
- *"Right place at the right time"* comes by grace, not grind.

“Qarah” is all about right happenings—being at the right place at the right time.

To be at the right place at the right time is something that we cannot manipulate with our skills, talents, or intelligence.

It is something that only God can cause to happen in our lives and it will happen to us this year!



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V. God wants us to believe Him and pray for qarah—right happenings!



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please give me success (‘qarah’) this day, and show
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This shows us that “*qarah*” is intricately related to grace—unearned, undeserved favor.

This also means that God’s grace is what will lead us to be at the right place at the right time.

**God's grace will lead to “kairos” moments
(God-orchestrated happenings) in our lives!**



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VI. God's blessings for you are exceedingly good

"Behold, here I stand by the well of water, and the daughters of the men of the city are coming out to draw water. Now let it be that the young woman to whom I say, 'Please let down your pitcher that I may drink,' and she says, 'Drink, and I will also give your camels a drink'—let her be the one You have appointed for Your servant Isaac. And by this I will know that You have shown kindness to my master. And it happened, before he had finished speaking, that behold, Rebekah, who was born to Bethuel, son of Milcah, the wife of Nahor, Abraham's brother, came out with her pitcher on her shoulder. Now the young woman was very beautiful to behold, a virgin; no man had known her. And she went down to the well, filled her pitcher, and came up."

—Genesis 24:13–16 NKJV

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“And the servant ran to meet her and said, “Please let me drink a little water from your pitcher.” So she said, “Drink, my lord.” Then she quickly let her pitcher down to her hand, and gave him a drink. And when she had finished giving him a drink, she said, “I will draw water for your camels also, until they have finished drinking. Then she quickly emptied her pitcher into the trough, ran back to the well to draw water, and drew for all his camels.”

—Genesis 24:17–20 NKJV

“And the man, wondering at her, remained silent so as to know whether the LORD had made his journey prosperous or not.”

—Genesis 24:21 NKJV

Joshua 1:8

***This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth,
but you shall meditate in it day and night, that you may
observe to do according to all that is written in it. For then
you will make your way prosperous, and then you will
have good success.***



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This Is Your Kairos and Qarah Year!

Expect Breakthroughs and
Be a Blessing!

“Time and chance happen to them all...”

This isn't a call to apathy.

It's a call to trust and preparation.

Right place, right time is not random.

It's qarah.

The appointed time is not guesswork.

It's kairos.



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