

CHAOS PART I

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INTRODUCTION

- The word chaos has many different meanings for each of us.
- Chaos rarely means anything good.
- Chaos is the antithesis of cosmos or universal order.
- In the Bible chaos = a state of complete disorder or confusion.
- Throughout the Scriptures chaos is personified as the principal opponent of God.
- When Jesus comes order and possibility ought to follow.
- We are surrounded by chaos that comes into our lives, our relationships, our time and our finances.
- Ephesians 4:20 MSG, "...take on an entirely new way of life—a God-fashioned life, a life renewed from the inside and working itself into your conduct as God accurately reproduces His character in you."

I. LOSING TRACK OF TIME

- Do you find it tough to keep up with change today?
- Most of us feel there is not enough time in each day.
- Has progress really helped us as much as we like to think?
- Finding margin with time is tough.

- Margin is the space that should exist between me and my limits.
- We run past our limits regularly and wonder why we feel burnt out.

II. FASTER, BUSIER AND MORE COMPLICATED

- Many of our lives today are faster, busier and more complicated.
- Without making time for God to bring order we live in chaos.
- Faith helps bring order to chaos.
- Our steps must include time alone with Jesus and His Word and His Spirit, allowing Him to order our lives and days.

III. TAKING CONTROL OF YOUR TIME

- Take control of your time.
- Many of us need to make some thoughtful and hard choices.
- Get less done, but do the right things.
- We need to prune our time wasters because time is for people and relationships; that is the value God set.

CLOSE

- Our source of stability is the one thing much of society has let go of, Jesus.
- Jesus, Matthew 28:20, "I am with you always, even to the end of the age."
- Psalm 46:1, "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble."