



# Seek First: Turning Down The Drama

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Be very careful, then, how you live - not as unwise but as wise, making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil. Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the Lord's will is. Ephesians 5:15-17(NIV)

Cultivate wisdom

Instruct the wise and they will be wiser still; teach the righteous and they will add to their learning. Proverbs 9:9(NIV)

Understand time

...making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil. Ephesians 5:16(NIV)

Show me, Lord, my life's end and the number of my days; let me know how fleeting my life is. Psalm 39:4(NIV)

Don't be a fool

Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the Lord's will is. Ephesians 5:17(NIV)

Whoever corrects a mocker invites insults; whoever rebukes the wicked incurs abuse. Do not rebuke mockers or they will hate you; rebuke the wise and they will love you. Proverbs 9:7-8(NIV)

A gentle answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger. Proverbs 15:1(NIV)

## REFLECTION QUESTIONS

1. Which of the three areas speaks most directly to you: “cultivate wisdom”, “invest your time”, or “avoiding foolishness”?
2. Who are some “wise” people in your life that would be good to spend more time with?