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God's Return on His Investment

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Expect a return

What God may consider a waste of His time.

You said

Gossiping

Enabling others

To much time on TV / Social media

Stealing

Being hypocritical

Knowing your purpose, but not living in your purpose

Ungratefulness

Debating God's Word with someone who does not believe.

Being double minded

Prioritizing self desires over spiritual growth

Quitting on an unfinished assignment.

We can waste God's time,
however,
His time never goes to wasted.

*To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under
the heaven:* Ecclesiastes 3:1

Use the time that God has invested in you to love Him and others.

One helpful way to frame “wise use of time” is: loving God and loving people.

A Spirit-filled life spends time worshiping, giving thanks, and drawing close to God.

The same Spirit leads us to invest time in encouraging, serving, and building up others in practical ways.

When our calendar reflects worship, service, and relationships – not just tasks – we are offering God a return on the time He has given.

The Investment of Love

John 3:16



How can God get a return on his investment of love?

God's "return on investment" is not a financial gain, but the transformation and multiplication of His love through your life. Because God *is* love, His investment is essentially an investment of Himself into you, and the return is your voluntary decision to reflect that nature back to Him and out to the world.

Romans 5:1-8

1 Corinthians 13:1-8

Here are the primary ways God receives a "return" on His investment of love:

1. The fruit of character

Just as a planter expects a tree to produce fruit, God looks for the Fruit of the Spirit (Galatians 5:22-23) – qualities like joy, peace, patience, and kindness.

2. Generosity and Multiplication

God's love is intended to be a "seed" that multiplies.

3. Reciprocal Love and Worship

The most valuable return to God is voluntary love.

4. Kingdom Expansion

God's investment is also a "capital investment" in His global mission.

WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO BEAR GOOD FRUIT?

GALATIANS

5:17-23



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Fruit of the Spirit	Works of the Flesh
✓ Love	✗ Hatred, envy
✓ Joy	✗ Jealousy
✓ Peace	✗ Hostility, anger
✓ Patience	✗ Sex outside of marriage
✓ Kindness	✗ Gossip
✓ Goodness	✗ Selfishness
✓ Faithfulness	✗ Idol worship, sorcery
✓ Meekness	✗ Quarreling, divisions
✓ Self-control	✗ Drunkenness