

Looking Back

Pt. 2 - Coulda (Opportunities)

Luke 9:62, Jesus said to him, "No one who puts his hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

Luke 17:32, Remember Lot's wife.

- Looking back through our 'coulda' is regret's way of grieving missed opportunities.

Colossians 4:5, Be wise in the way you act toward outsiders; make the most of every opportunity.

Ephesians 1:18-19, I pray also that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, 19 and his incomparably great power for us who believe.

- While we look back at missed opportunities, Satan is looking for opportunities to defeat us now.

Luke 4:13, When the devil had finished all this tempting, he left him until an opportune time.

Galatians 5:16, So I say, live by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the sinful nature.

- The correct way of looking back reveals that not every opportunity should be acted upon.

1 Corinthians 6:12, "Everything is permissible for me" - but not everything is beneficial. "Everything is permissible for me" - but I will not be mastered by anything.

1 Corinthians 10:23, "Everything is permissible" - but not everything is beneficial. "Everything is permissible" - but not everything is constructive.

Ephesians 5:15-17, Be very careful, then, how you live - not as unwise but as wise, 16 making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil. 17 Therefore do not be foolish but understand what the Lord's will is.

Matthew 26:16, From then on Judas watched for an opportunity to hand him over.