



TIME FLIES—DON'T WASTE IT

with Nate and James Dewberry

▶ FOCUS VERSE

Teach us to number our days, that we may gain a heart of wisdom.
Psalm 90:12

▶ DISCUSSION

1. **James says one of his favorite memories he shared with his father was going to the Grand Canyon and seeing his dad “amazed.”**
 - a. Do you remember any times when you saw your father be visibly awed by something?

 - b. What impression did that leave on you as a child?

2. **Nate says he admires his son’s confidence that God can allow him to do anything, which leads him to try new things even though he might not be good at them. James, in turn, says he’s learned that it’s OK to fail because there are opportunities to learn from it.**
 - a. Did your father give you “permission” to fail?

 - b. Do you give yourself that permission today?

 - c. Do you give it to your own children?

3. **How are you like your father, and how are you different?**
 - a. Did your father respect or appreciate those differences?



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4. How are your children like you, and how are they different?

- a. Of those differences, which do you find most interesting?
- b. Which do you find hardest to understand?

5. If your parents divorced when you were young, what sorts of adjustments did that force you to make in life?

- a. Did they provide any help or encouragement in making those adjustments?
- a. If either (or both) of them remarried, what further adjustments did that require?

6. If you've gone through a divorce yourself, did you go through a period of time when you thought your life was "over"?

- a. Have you gotten to a point where you've given yourself permission to keep growing as a person and doing the things you enjoy in life?
- b. If so, what helped you get to that point?
- c. If not, what are some of the things that may be holding you back?

7. Nate talks several times about how he's learned just how quickly time passes.

(See Psalm 39:4.)

- a. Is that something you've noticed in your own life?
- b. Was there ever a time in your life when you wanted to do a certain thing, but felt too much time had passed and the "window of opportunity" had closed?
- c. How did that affect you?

