

Psalm 31:15

My Times Are in Thy Hand

The first verse begins with the words "My times." Just how much time do you have? have you? There is nothing more elusive than time. Take a hold of it and it is gone. Before you say "now" it is no longer "now," but is later. Time moves rapidly, whether you accomplish anything or not. Yet we find a tremendous difference in the way people use time. Some seem to get a great deal done; some get very little done. People are always saying, "I don't have time to do that." haven't time to do that." Why don't you have time? You have as much time as the next person has. We all have the same amount of time. Some people are obliged to spend more time in sleep. Some have unavoidable obligations which pre-empt their disposition of time. The trouble is, some of us waste our time. Some of us are like a man who has a pocket full of silver dollars, but a hole in his pocket, and he walks down the street one after another slips out. It is gone. Perhaps he comes to seminary thinking he is going to learn a great deal here. He is going to get a real knowledge of theology. Interesting questions come up in class. I'd like to look these up and study them, see what different people say about them, but I can't do it now, I don't have time. Other things are more urgent. We put things off. Time never comes it seems. My time. You've got You have only so much time, but you have ~~time~~ duty to utilize this time. We waste time. We wait for a train. We wait for someone. We stand around. What are we doing with this time? You might be memorizing Scripture. You might be thinking through some theological problem. You might read a few words in a book that you would otherwise never get read. You might simply voluntarily relax your muscles and adopt those habits of custom that will conduce to future effectiveness and to not becoming overtired. You might stand take time to think about standing straight and looking your best. How much time we waste. There (no) my time we say But we can't save it; it is gone. It's ours to use if we use it;/if we don't use it it is gone. "My times are in thy hand."