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Sermon: Spring time for Christ

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Greetings brothers and sisters. I first wanted to say how sorry I am for not having service available last Sunday due to such a hectic work schedule and my focus was not centered enough to deliver a proper message and I failed to delegate someone else to offer the message to you. But as is mentioned in today's sermon it is a time for new beginnings and in such I will try to do better next time in my duties and responsibilities to my flock.

Now let us begin today's message about new beginnings and Spring Time for Christ. Through the fall and winter months we experience the leaves falling from the trees, the time of the great harvest and the holiday celebrations of the birth of our Savior and time spent with family and friends. And throughout the winter the old flowers, trees, other plants, some family and friends, pass away from us and make room for the brighter season of spring and new beginnings. These beginnings may in tell starting a new job, finding a new home, establishing new working relationships and potentially an intimate relationship. Turn with me now to: Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 ESV For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven: a time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted; a time to kill, and a time to heal; a time to break down, and a time to build up; a time to weep, and a time to laugh; a time to mourn, and a time to dance; a time to cast away stones, and a time to gather stones together; a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing; Solomon tells us that life is really a matter of timing, for timing is everything. This should be evident to us. You and I probably have a dozen clocks and four or five calendars in our homes. Many of us carry a timepiece attached to our wrist, and time indicators are built into our cell phones, computer screens, and PDAs. Time and timing is everything. If timing is everything, how should we live?

With our focus on God. Forgetting all the woes, heartache and distresses from the following year. We now ask God to open the eyes of our heart to let us see God, high and lifted up surrounded by the light of God's glory. When we focus on God the people and pain of the world can not affect us, as we live in the world, but we live of God. Our spirits are full and the new beginnings that God has in store for us can transpire. As you go out of your door today or look out the window look close at the buds on the trees and the buds of the flowers on the ground yearning to burst open with beauty, color, and brightness, all in order to lighten the way for our new journey. Peace be with you all today. I will be available for counseling and prayer all day.