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### The Measuring of Man

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Source text: Ephesians 4:1-16

The Scriptures use numbers to represent many things. It is often used as a measurement of some kind. There is great comfort in knowing what the rules are and the safety that comes by following the rules. The Lord establishes the rules we live by and we must measure ourselves against them.

Ephesians 4:13

Till we \_\_\_\_\_ come in the unity of the \_\_\_\_\_, and of the knowledge of the \_\_\_\_\_, unto a \_\_\_\_\_ man, unto the \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_:

List some of the things you remember that God has given us specific times, dates, numbers or sizes to know. Are these just useless details or is there value there?

Our goal is to live as Christ commands we live.

God shows us from the Old Testament to the New that God desires us to be a people of honesty and integrity. How do we measure up? (Ref. Lev. 19:35-37)

Jesus helps us understand in Matthew 7:2 that we must be careful in the measurement we are tempted to give to others. We may condemn ourselves in the process!

We must focus on the things that we should be measuring. Often the devil is trying to lure us away from taking notice of important spiritual things and distracting us with things that are of no heavenly value

Psalms 90:12

So teach \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ our \_\_\_\_\_, That we may \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ a \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ . (NASB)

Closing thought:

One of the most important things we can measure is the opportunity we have this morning. There is this one moment. Now. We know we have it, because here we are. We may not have another one...

Will you ensure you are measuring up to what God has asked of you?

- And now why are you waiting? Arise and be baptized, and wash away your sins, calling on the name of the Lord. Acts 22:16