

If Not Now ...When?

God in Prov.20:4 describes the **guaranteed consequences** of not doing the **right thing** at the **right time** ...has a very obvious message that the "**right time**" to do the "**right thing**" is something that is **apparent ... obvious** to all!

- Secondly ...very obvious to all: there is a **consequence** to *putting off* or *not even doing* that which is right, even at any time at all!

- Thirdly the **blessings of "fullness"** are obvious to everyone, not just to the individual. The "harvest" to a farmer who diligently farms is to be an obvious expectation but it will only come if there is seed that is planted and the field is "worked over" at the right time.

There will be *complete emptiness* as a trap of despair: *having nothing at a time when there should be "plenty"!*

Or there will be *plenty in the right time* because we were *diligent to do the right things at the right time.*

It's not a matter of "**emergency-style-of-living**" with the intensity that we might miss out; rather a mind of faithful diligence!

This gives us confidence to know there is reward "if we faint not".

- This **should be our way** of living! It's **God's Way**.

The "procrastinator" is described as a "sluggard" or "lazy"!

It doesn't seem like "overt laziness" but it IS **destructive!**

Prov.10:3: God says the one who *works* in a **negligent way** is "**poor**".

Prov.10:5: God says **sleeping in the working time** is **shameful!**

Prov.18:9: God says that a "**slacker**" is a "**destroyer**"!

While you read this, God is warning your inner man that it is time to number (your days) that you may present to Him a heart of wisdom. He desires to "confirm the work of our hands"!

Ps.90:12.