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Excuses

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Romans 1:20, "For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes, His eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly seen, being understood through what has been made, so that they are without excuse."

Business consultant James Bleech of Florida surveyed 110 employers to find out what excuses they hear most from their employees.

The primary excuse is, "It's not my fault." The second-place excuse is, "It's someone else's fault." Third is, "Something else came up." The fourth most often used excuse was, "I didn't have time." The last place most often used excuse was, "We've never done it that way before." Other, unranked, excuses were, "No one told me to do it," "I had too many interruptions," "If only my supervisor had understood," "I will get to it later," and "No one showed me how to do it." (Illustrations - Larson)

Excuses always seem reasonable, to the excused, when they are given. The truth is that excuses don't solve problems or complete a task. They simply help the defeated to sleep at night. God hates the excuses of the sinful because they are unreasonable and are truly unnecessary.

We are given everything we need in Scripture to live a godly life. (2 Peter 1:3) If we fail it won't be because of any of the reasons mentioned previously, or others not recorded here. It will be simply because we elected to be something that Jesus died to save us from. (Romans 8:10)

If you have a need to make a spiritual change in your life, do so now while the sun shines. The time is coming when the day will be done, and life will be weighed in the balance of our Lords scales. Excuses will be worth less there, than they are to those who are depending on us here. Make decisions, not excuses.