

# Out of Control Time

## I. Introduction

- A. Rom. 7:15-17 (NLT) <sup>15</sup>I don't really understand myself, for I want to do what is right, but I don't do it. Instead, I do what I hate. <sup>16</sup>But if I know that what I am doing is wrong, this shows that I agree that the law is good. <sup>17</sup>So I am not the one doing wrong; it is sin living in me that does it.
- B. Matt. 11:28-30 (NAS) <sup>28</sup>"Come to Me, all who are weary and heavy-laden, and I will give you rest. <sup>29</sup>"Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and YOU WILL FIND REST FOR YOUR SOULS. <sup>30</sup>"For My yoke is easy and My burden is light."

## II. Lessons From Nature

### A. The Lesson of the Birds

1. Matt. 6:25-32 (NLT)
2. Matt. 10:28-30 (NLT) <sup>28</sup>"Don't be afraid of those who want to kill your body; they cannot touch your soul. Fear only God, who can destroy both soul and body in hell. <sup>29</sup>What is the price of two sparrows—one copper coin? But not a single sparrow can fall to the ground without your Father knowing it. <sup>30</sup>And the very hairs on your head are all numbered."
3. Matt. 10:31 (NLT) "So don't be afraid; you are more valuable to God than a whole flock of sparrows."

### B. The Lesson of the Dust

1. Psalm 103:12-14 (NLT) <sup>12</sup>He has removed our sins as far from us as the east is from the west. <sup>13</sup>The LORD is like a father to his children, tender and compassionate to those who fear him. <sup>14</sup>For he knows how weak we are; he remembers we are only dust.

### C. The Lesson of the Grass

1. Psalm 90:5-6 (NLT) <sup>5</sup>You sweep people away like dreams that disappear. They are like grass that springs up in the morning. <sup>6</sup>In the morning it blooms and flourishes, but by evening it is dry and withered.
2. "Am I filling up the squares well?"

## III. Conclusion

**Next Weekend's Message:**

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