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Not a Time for Silence



Once, several years ago, as I was driving down a highway, I spotted one of those light-up signs with information printed on it. The words said, "Nothing to say today."

As a person noted for talking, I found it hard to believe that someone had nothing to say. Imagine such a thing. Probably an employee was told to put something on the sign. But he had nothing to say. Perhaps the employer who had rented the sign thought it to be a waste when nothing of value to his business was placed on it.

We can always

find something to say about our God. He has done, and continues to do great things for us.

In the Book of Ecclesiastes, we read that there is a time to speak and a time to be silent. How can we let our voice be heard today? We have many ways to be heard, and we should use all the methods available to communicate the story of Jesus. The list is long. We can share Christ through the internet, printed materials, radio, TV, and the thing all of us can do is personal contact.

So many Christians appear to have little to say about the things which really matter. People talk about

politics, weather, sports, fashions, and a hundred other topics. But they seem to lean to the "time to be silent" area when it comes to the really important things to speak about in life.

In the early 1900's, a monument was being dedicated in a Southern city. Several aged veterans were there, and the talk turned to long-ago battles. One old gentleman wanted everyone to understand how things had been. He drew diagrams in the dirt, showing positions of military units. Then he placed a small mark.

"This is where I stood," he said.

Where do we stand?

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