

ECCLESIASTES SERIES FIVE
A TIME TO DANCE:DANCING WITH THE BAPTISTS
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When you are dancing, timing is everything. In life and in love, timing is everything. In the stages of a relationship, there are beauties and blessings no matter what your stage of life. In marriage, God intended for every day of our lives to be sweeter.

When We Think About Marriage, Solomon Did Not Dance Well. His Timing Was Quite Off.

Song of Solomon 4:1-6

Proverbs 5:15-20

Ecclesiastes 2:8-9

Ecclesiastes 7:28

Ecclesiastes 9:9: Enjoy life with your wife, whom you love, all the days of this meaningless life that God has given you under the sun— all your meaningless days. For this is your lot in life and in your toilsome labor under the sun.

Ecclesiastes 3: 1: *A time to be born and a time to die*

You want to dance well through the timings of life.

There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under heaven:

Solomon's poem in Ecclesiastes 3 is well applied to many areas of life. Let's look at it today from a relationship and marriage perspective. The phrases of this poem are easily grouped into four main themes.

BUILDING A MARRIAGE

A time to plant and a time to uproot

A time to kill and a time to heal

A time to tear down and a time to build,

A time to scatter stones and a time to gather them

A time to keep and a time to throw away

A time to tear and a time to mend

HOPES AND DREAMS

A time to search and a time to give up

SENSITIVITY TO OTHERS

A time to weep and a time to laugh

A time to mourn and a time to dance

A time to embrace and a time to refrain

A time to be silent and a time to speak

HANDLING CONFLICT

A time to love and a time to hate

A time for war and a time for peace.

NOW ADD A THIRD PARTNER: Ecclesiastes 4:9-12