

## The Insider – Chapter 9

1. Share 2 Corinthians 5:17, Galatians 2:20, and Romans 12:1 with the guy sitting next to you.
2. Were you able to share Christ with anyone this week?
3. In what ways are people busy in our culture? What are you busy doing? Why do we feel a sense of pride in our busyness? (Fact: Americans spend 3.5 more weeks at their jobs each year than Japanese workers; American workers spend 6.5 more weeks at work than British workers; Americans spend 12.5 more weeks each year at work than German workers)
4. Read John 8:43-44. What lies have our culture tricked us into believing about our time?
5. Read 2 Corinthians 10:1-6. What does it mean to “live in the world,” but not by the standards of the world? What does the Bible say are “the weapons we fight with” as Christians? (Ephesians 6:14-20, Hebrews 4:12-12, et al.) How have you witnessed these weapons “demolish strongholds”?
6. Read Romans 12:1-2. How does the Bible say we renew our minds? (Marva Dawn in her book, Unfettered Hope, says, “we have so many things to do, we forget why we are doing them; we have so many things, we forget why they matter.”) (pg. 127, “If we hope to stop letting life run us, we must make choices. As yourself, Who, and what, is important to me? Who, and what, gets my time and attention?)
7. Read Psalm 46:10. What would it mean for you to find time to “be still” and know God? What would change if you began to see those “people who especially matter to you” as your “household”? How would your interactions with those people change?
8. What choices will you make this week to stop letting life run you so that God can run you?

Memorize John 14:21 for next week.