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As We Live

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Spending Time Is Just Like Spending Money

There are some people who are frugal with money and yet who are completely unconcerned about how they use their time. There are others who are spend-thrifts with both, and still others who are literally misers with both.

As is true of money, a happy medium should be the goal in the use of time. You do not want to waste time any more than you would waste money, because both are valuable. On the other hand, you should not be a penny-pincher with your time or with your money. The happy medium, where the person uses both his money and time wisely and sensibly in the sense that he gets some return from each should be your goal.

What possible relationship, you may ask, is there between money and time? While it is true that time can be used to earn money, that is not the relationship I want to stress. The important relationship between the two is psychological, not material in form.

A person who is a spendthrift with his money never really enjoys what his money buys because he has not used it wisely. Furthermore, he has a certain feeling of guilt about wasting money, no matter how much money he may have. He knows that money is valuable and anything valuable should never be wasted. Exactly the same attitude exists in the time-spendthrift.

On the other hand, the penny-pincher never enjoys his use of money because he discovers that he is feeling guilty when he parts with every penny. So it is with the time-pincher. Even taking time out to sleep, to talk to people, or to relax makes him feel guilty about "wasting" his time.

Having a reserve of money for the proverbial rainy day gives everyone a feeling of security. The same is true with a time-reserve. The person who uses his time wisely will always find that he has some left over and this is ready and available for some emergency use or even for some pleasure he would enjoy if he felt he could afford it. Because he has this time-reserve available, he can relax and not feel pressed when something unexpected turns up, as the time-waster is apt to feel.

LETTERS FROM READERS
Petulance: "What makes people's voices change when they are petulant and what is responsible for the petulant expression?" Curious Reader.

(A) Petulance is a form of anger—a mild form, to be sure—but anger just the same. The petulant person goes around with a chip on his shoulder. As a result, his face takes on the typical expression of anger and it remains hour after hour because the state of anger persists that long. With anger, there is always a change in the tone of voice. It is likely to become higher in pitch and to take on an unpleasant tone. This happens, only to a milder degree, when the person is petulant.

Destructiveness: "My son, who is six years old, is always tearing his clothes or breaking his toys. He feels sorry after it happens, but it is too late. How can I get him to be more careful?" A Mother.

(A) You cannot expect too much foresight in the case of a six-year-old. And, to avoid breakage and tearings, one must use foresight. Get him clothes that can stand hard wear and toys that are not easily damaged. Then, warn him when you give him these things of how they can be damaged. For example, tell him that he must watch out for nails that will rip his clothes or leaving his toys on the floor where people can step on them.

This will, eventually, help him to develop foresight.

Late for Meals: "My husband is always late for meals. He knows when they will be served, but he just fools around and that makes him late in getting to the table. How should I handle this problem?" Annoyed Wife.

(A) So long as your husband's lateness is due to carelessness on his part, not his work, you should not humor him as you otherwise would. Tell him 10 to 15 minutes before the meal is to be served that it will be ready at a certain time. Then, if he does not get to the table on time, let him eat cold food. You should not make extra work for yourself by heating up his food or by cooking it separately.

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