“…a time to seek,” (Eccl. 3:6) There are certainly better times to seek than others. When one is facing calamity, heartache, loss or problems, the human spirit seeks more than at other times. We want to know why, how, what and other things that pertain to that time.

I am remind of my long time great friend Horace Phillips. We worked and worshiped together for years. When a problem of any kind arose, he insisted it be dealt with immediately. Like most other people I have a tendency to put those off. He wanted to deal with it, get it out of the way, and concentrate on other things. He was right! I could count many times we had to deal with a problem because he did not want to put it off.

The most important event we must deal with is the kind of life we are going to live and if we want it to count for something in eternity. Isaiah said, “Seek ye Jehovah while he may be found; call ye upon him while he is near.” (Isa. 55:6) There are times when God is nearer to us than others. When we suffer, we have a tendency to seek Him because we know, or should know, that in His word is the answer to the problems of life. It could just be that the problem has come upon us to get us to that conclusion.

There are many things we should seek that will help us in this life, peace, understanding, contentment, lowliness, meekness, longsuffering, unity and faith, (Eph. 4) and other like things. It would serve each of us well to seek these things rather than some of the ephemeral things we do.

The most important thing is that we “seek ye Jehovah.” Not only will it serve us well in this life, but in the life to come.