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Like the vehicle that needs repair or a home that needs cleaning, our lives do not get better, cleaner, or more productive on their own ... it takes work. Putting it off until a more convenient time accomplishes nothing. They won't fix themselves.

Left to themselves, bad things do not get better, they get worse. This is why we must pay attention to those things which need work and make the effort to fix them. Whether attitudes, actions, thoughts, or feelings, we should examine ourselves and then force ourselves to affect the changes we know are necessary. Begin the process today.

Prayer for Today

Father, Your Word says that today is the day of salvation and now is the acceptable time. Show me those things that need my attention in my life and give me the grace and strength to do something about them today. Guide me, step by step, day by day, to become more pleasing and useful in Your hands.

Scriptures for Today

1 Corinthians 9:24-27 Do you not know that those who run in a race all run, but one receives the prize? Run in such a way that you may obtain it. And everyone who competes for the prize is temperate in all things. Now they do it to obtain a perishable crown, but we for an imperishable crown. Therefore I run thus: not with uncertainty. Thus I fight: not as one who beats the air. But I discipline my body and bring it into subjection, lest, when I have preached to others, I myself should become disqualified. (NKJV)