**Investment of a Lifetime {Andy Stanley}**

**INTRODUCTION**

Each of us, no matter who you are, have 31,556,926 to spend every year—31,556,926 seconds, that is. Each of these seconds is an opportunity, a moment in time that will never be repeated. Once it is gone, you can’t have it back. So how are you currently making the most of these moments? How are you investing your time? In this session we will examine how to invest your time in order to accrue cumulative value.

**DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

1. There is a cumulative value to investing small amounts of time in certain activities over a long period. What are some activities like this that you can think of?

2. When have you experienced the cumulative value of investing small amounts of time in a certain activity?

3. Neglect has a cumulative effect as well. When have you experienced this?

4. Why do we tend to choose the urgent over that which will yield cumulative value?

5. How can we remind ourselves to choose that which has cumulative value over the urgent?

6. What is the cumulative value of investing your time in the church?

7. Where have you volunteered in the church in the past? What was your experience?

8. Where in the church do you plan to invest your time this year?

**THINK ABOUT IT**

Imagine the result of investing small amounts of your time in the church. Make a list of the results that you could see a year from now in both your life and in the lives of others. How would things be different?

**WHAT WILL YOU DO?**

Logon to [www.northpoint.org/strategic-service](http://www.northpoint.org/strategic-service) and sign up to volunteer!

**CHANGING YOUR MIND**

“Be very careful, then, how you live—not as unwise but as wise, making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil.” Ephesians 5:15-16