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- It's about making the most of every opportunity

6 reasons why it matters

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 - Christ died so that these promises would be for us
2. Hearing God's word is the only way you will grow
3. Eagerness to hear God's Word is an indicator of your salvation
4. To come to the Lord's Supper but not be quick to listen at other times is hypocrisy
5. You will have to give an account for what you have done with the opportunities
6. God will take his word away if we aren't quick to listen

How can we be quick to listen?

1. A change of mindset

- You do not support the church – it supports you
- Make opportunities to hear God's word a priority
- Come expecting to hear God speak to you

2. Repent and seek forgiveness

3. Be at all you can

4. Listen actively

- What does God want me to do with this?
- Is there something to be believed or something to do?

5. Plan Responses

- What, how, when?

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