

Setting Right Priorities in Life

Text: *Matthew 6:33, Jeremiah 29:11; Joshua 1:8*

As a human being we are always busy doing and juggling stuff in our hands.

Sometimes we can easily spread ourselves too thin and lose our effectiveness as a person.

The biggest question - **How can we do all the things that we need to do and still remain effective in life?**

The answer is not prioritising our schedule but scheduling our priorities.

When we schedule our priorities and make decisions based on these established priorities, we are de-cluttering ourselves, simplifying our lives and making our lives worth living and in the cutting edge.

When we know our priorities in life, life will be a lot easier to live.

We need to schedule our priorities.

In life we are blessed with **TIME, ENERGY and MONEY.**

Most of the time we only have 2 of these 3 at any season or time of our life.

1. *When we are young* - we have time and energy but no money

2. *When we grow older* - we have plenty of energy and money but no time

3. *When we are old* - we have time and money but no energy

So, we need to schedule our priorities!

How do we schedule our priorities in life?

Basically, we have Five Priorities in Life...

Number 1. *Relationship with God*

Number 2. *Relationship with your family*

Number 3. *Ministry or work*

Number 4. *Rest and Recreation*

Number 5. *Friends*

Sorting out our priorities means our **number 1** on the list must be...

Our relationship with God.

Everything flows from our relationship with God. Anyone who has no personal relationship with God will never experience how to truly live.

Many people only exist but not truly live.

We will never know how to truly live, not until we have a right relationship with God.

Death means *separation*.

If the essence of death is separation therefore the essence of life is union.

The true essence of life is to be united with God – to be in a right relationship with God.

We need to have an ongoing, growing personal relationship with God through Jesus Christ.

If we have a healthy relationship with God then we will have a healthy relationship with our wife, then with our kids, then with our workmates and lastly, with our friends.

MAKE JESUS NUMBER ONE AND ALL WILL BE ADDED TO YOU.

Matthew 6:33 - *But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you.*

This is when we start experiencing Jesus revealing things to us and putting our life in order.

The ***B.I.B.L.E.*** is the ***Basic Instruction Before Leaving Earth.***

The Bible is our instruction manual on how to safely and effectively operate our life on earth.

GOD HAS A WONDERFUL PLAN IN YOUR LIFE.

Jeremiah 29:11 –

“I alone know the plans I have for you, plans to bring you prosperity and not disaster and plans to bring about the future you hope for.”

A PLAN is a technical term used by engineers.

- *It is the basis, an intention or decision about what one is going to do.*
- *It is the detailed diagram and drawing showing the layout of the whole building or a project.*

By looking on the plan, we can know exactly the expected outcome. God has already designed our life.

Our destiny is chosen by God, but its fulfilment is decided by us.

FOLLOWING THE BIBLE IS THE KEY TO A PROSPEROUS AND SUCCESSFUL LIFE.

Joshua 1:8 NKJV

*Study this Book of Instruction continually.
Meditate on it day and night so you will be sure
to obey everything written in it. Only then will
you prosper and succeed in all you do.*

As far as God is concerned, God has given us the manual for life that if we obey and make it a priority, everything will be added to us. Because as long as He is number one, everything we do increases its value.

As long as we follow and obey, and make our relationship with Him a priority, *only then will you and I prosper and succeed in everything that we do.*

May I encourage you to surrender your life and put Him first in your life. Follow and obey the instruction manual and experience the reality of Christ in your life.

The Bible is not just a fact to be believed but a life to be lived.