

HOW TO BE A SUCCESS IN GOD'S EYES

Exodus 20:2-3... "I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out the land of slavery. 3 You shall have no other gods before or in addition to me."

Deuteronomy 6:6-7... "Never forget these commands that I am giving you. Teach these to your children..."

Matt 6:33... "The thing you should want most (above all else) is God's kingdom and doing what God wants."

1. PUT GOD _____ IN YOUR LIFE

Exodus 20:3... "You shall have no other gods before or in addition to me"

God Deserves To Be #1 in My Life Because:

- A. He made me. B. Everything I have, He gave me.
C. He gave His Son to die for me. D. He wants to bless me.

Quote: "Until a man has found the right place for God, he begins at no beginning and he works to no good end." - Dr. Charles Allen, "God's Psychiatry"

Proverbs 3:6... "In everything you do, put God first and acknowledge Him, and He will direct you and crown your efforts with success."

FACT: A false god is anything that dominates and controls you causing the one true God to be less than "most important" in your life.

Quote: "The world is a spiritual kindergarten where billions of bewildered infants are trying to spell "God" with all the wrong letters." - Dr. Charles Allen

(F) - PUT GOD FIRST IN YOUR _____

FACT: If God is not first in my _____, He's not first in my life.

FACT: God owns it all. "The earth and everything in it belongs to the Lord" Psalm 24:1

FACT: We are "Stewards"/"Managers" not "Owners". Luke 19:11-13, 1 Cor 4:2

FACT: We are "Stewards" of Creation, Truth, Our Bodies, Our Possessions....

FACT: The biblical model is at least 10% - "Tithe" to the Lord's work.

FACT: Tithing is both OT and NT. (Heb 7:6-7 Abraham Tithed, Matthew 23:23- Jesus)

Deuteronomy 14:23... "Bring your tithe to the designated place of worship..... doing this will teach you to always put the Lord your God first in your lives."

Proverbs 3:9... "Honor the Lord by giving him the first part of all your income, and He will bless you..." (See Malachi 3:10) "I can't Outgive God!"

Matthew 6:20-21... "Instead, store up riches for yourselves in heaven, where moths and rust cannot destroy, and robbers cannot break in and steal. 21 For your heart (life) will always be where you think your real riches are."

Quote: "What a man loves the most will be on his heart the most and will be his god." - Martin Luther

"The most logical reason that some "Christians" have a problem with tithing is that they love money & things more than they love God & His mission." - Maxwell

FACT: Tithing is an act of worship and faith toward the One True God.

FACT: God's plan for financing the Home is Work, State is Taxes, Church is Tithing.
(1 Thess 3:10) (Luke 20:22-25) (Mal 3:10, Matt 23:23)

Matthew 23:23... "Jesus said.... Yes, you should tithe, but don't leave other important things like justice, mercy and faith undone either."

Two Things Reveal Who Has 1st Place: My Bank Statement & My Calendar

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1 Corinthians 10:31... "Whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God." (NIV)

Proverbs 3:5-6... "Trust in the Lord with all your heart; do not depend on your own intelligence. 6 In all your activities put God first, and He will show you the successful path."

Application: I will forego any activity that I can't ask Jesus to bless.

(R) - PUT GOD FIRST IN YOUR _____

Proverbs 12:26... "The righteous should choose friends carefully, for the way of the wicked leads them astray."

Proverbs 13:20... "Walk with the wise and become wise; associate with fools and get into trouble."

1 Corinthians 15:33... "Don't fool yourselves. Bad friends will bring you down."

Application: I will forego relationships that cause me or others to drift away from Jesus.

(S) - PUT GOD FIRST IN YOUR _____

Ephesians 5:15-17... "Act like people with good sense and not like fools. 16 These are evil times, so make every minute count. 17 Don't be stupid. Instead, find out what the Lord wants you to do and do it."

FACT: If you find yourself having more things to do than you have time for, you doing some things that aren't God will.

- Time with God: (Mark 1:35)

- Time with Loved Ones: (Joshua 24:15)

- Time for Service: (Ephesians 2:10)

Ephesians 2:10... "For we are God's masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can use our lives to do the good things he planned for us long ago."

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Romans 10:9,13... "If you confess with your mouth, "Jesus is my Lord" and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.....13 For everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

Joshua's Commitment:

Joshua 24:15... "As for me and my family, our first commitment is serving the Lord." (Amp)