

FINDING TIME FOR WHAT'S IMPORTANT

Finding Joy – Part 3
Father's Day - June 19, 2016

Proverbs 23:24 (NIV) *"The father of a righteous child has great joy; a man who fathers a wise son rejoices in him."*

Ephesians 5:15 (Phillips) *"Live life, then, with a due sense of responsibility, not as those who do not know the meaning and purpose of life but as those who do. Make the best use of your time..."*

Three Barriers That Keep Us From Finding Time...

Unclear VALUES

Unrealistic EXPECTATIONS

Un-sustained ENERGY

1. LINE UP YOUR PRIORITIES.

Proverbs 17:24 (GNT) *"An intelligent person aims at wise action, but a fool starts off in many directions."*

Proverbs 12:11b (GNT) *"It is stupid to waste time on useless projects."*

Ecclesiastes 8:6 (GNT) *"There is a right time and a right way to do everything, but we know so little!"*

Proverbs 16:9 (TLB) *"We should make plans--counting on God to direct us."*

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2. LIGHTEN UP YOUR ATTITUDE.

Proverbs 12:25 (NRSV) *"Anxiety weighs down the human heart, but a good word cheers it up."*

Proverbs 14:30a (TLB) *"A relaxed attitude lengthens a man's life."*

Luke 2:49b (NKJV) *"Did you not know that I must be about My Father's business?"*

John 19:30b (NIV) *"It is finished."*

Proverbs 17:22 (GNT) *"Being cheerful keeps you healthy. It is slow death to be gloomy all the time."*

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3. LOOK UP TO GOD.

Proverbs 10:27 (TLB) *"Reverence for God adds hours to each day."*

Proverbs 14:26 (TLB) *"Reverence for God gives a man deep strength; his children have a place of refuge and security."*

Proverbs 3:5-6 (TLB) *"Trust the Lord completely; don't ever trust yourself. ⁶ In everything you do, put God first, and He will direct you and crown your efforts with success."*

1 Timothy 6:21a (TLB) *"Some of these people have missed the most important thing in life--they don't know God."*

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Psalms 90:12 (TLB) *"Teach us to number our days and recognize how few they are; help us to spend them as we should."*