

High Priorities

Part 1 – What Comes First

Series theme: Pursue what matters most for a most fulfilling life.

Today's message: For a most fulfilling life, make God central.

How we make God central:

1. Full-on Commitment

*But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. **Matthew 6:33***

*²⁰ I eagerly expect and hope that I will in no way be ashamed, but will have sufficient courage so that now as always Christ will be exalted in my body, whether by life or by death. ²¹ For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain. **Philippians 1:20-21***

*And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him. **Hebrews 11:6***

2. All-out Devotion

*³⁵ One of them, an expert in the law, tested him with this question: ³⁶ "Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?" ³⁷ Jesus replied: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind." ³⁸ This is the first and greatest commandment. ³⁹ And the second is like it: "Love your neighbor as yourself." ⁴⁰ All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments."
Matthew 22:35-40*

*⁴ Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. ⁵ Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. ⁶ These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts. ⁷ Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. ⁸ Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. ⁹ Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates. **Deuteronomy 6:4-9***

• Making It a Priority

1. Check-up
2. Change up
3. Follow up