



What's the Goal in the Game of Life?

The Games of Life: Part 2

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The most important thing in my life is:

"What happened was this: People knew God perfectly well, but when they didn't treat him like God, refusing to worship him, they trivialized themselves...so that there was neither sense nor direction left in their lives." (Romans 1:21, MSG)

Luke 9:57-62 (AMP)

⁵⁷And it occurred that as they were going along the road, a man said to Him, Lord, I will follow You wherever You go. ⁵⁸And Jesus told him, Foxes have lurking holes and the birds of the air have roosts and nests, but the Son of Man has no place to lay His head. ⁵⁹And He said to another, Become My disciple, side with My party, and accompany Me! But he replied, Lord, permit me first to go and bury (await the death of) my father. ⁶⁰But Jesus said to him, Allow the dead to bury their own dead; but as for you, go and publish abroad throughout all regions the kingdom of God. ⁶¹Another also said, I will follow You, Lord, and become Your disciple and side with Your party; but let me first say good-bye to those at my home. ⁶²Jesus said to him, No one who puts his hand to the plow and looks back [to the things behind] is fit for the kingdom of God.

How to put God First

Give God the...

1. FIRST PRIORITY OF MY LIFE.

"In everything you do, put God first, and he will direct you and crown your efforts with success." (Proverbs 3:6, TLB)

"Seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you." (Matthew 6:33, NKJV)

ACTION STEP: 1ST BASE

2. FIRST CONVERSATION OF MY DAY.

"Listen to my voice in the morning, LORD. Each morning I bring my requests to you and wait expectantly." (Psalm 5:3, NLT)

ACTION STEP: 2ND BASE

3. FIRSTFRUITS OF ALL MY RESOURCES:

TIME

"On the first day of the week, we gathered with the local believers..."
(Acts 20:7, NLT)

TALENT

"God has given each of you a gift from his great variety of spiritual gifts. Use them well to serve one another." (1 Peter 4:10, NLT)

TREASURE

"Honor the LORD with your wealth, with the firstfruits of all your crops;" (Proverbs 3:9, NIV)

ACTION STEP: 3RD BASE

4. FIRST CONSIDERATION IN EVERY DECISION.

"Don't live carelessly, unthinkingly. Make sure you understand what the Master wants." (Ephesians 5:17, MSG)

ACTION STEP: B.I.B.L.E. OVERVIEW

5. FIRST LOVE OF MY HEART.

"I see what you've done, your hard, hard work, your refusal to quit. I know you can't stomach evil, that you weed out apostolic pretenders. I know your persistence, your courage in my cause, that you never wear out. "But you walked away from your first love—why? What's going on with you, anyway? Do you have any idea how far you've fallen? A Lucifer fall! "Turn back! Recover your dear early love. No time to waste, for I'm well on my way to removing your light..." (Revelation 2:2-5, MSG)

What's Your God Pursuit Score?

LAST----LOW----MEDIUM----FIRST