

Ephesians 5:15-17

¹⁵ Be very careful, then, how you live—not as unwise but as wise, ¹⁶ making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil. ¹⁷ Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the Lord’s will is.

Luke 10:38-42

³⁸ As Jesus and his disciples were on their way, he came to a village where a woman named Martha opened her home to him. ³⁹ She had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord’s feet listening to what he said. ⁴⁰ But Martha was distracted by all the preparations that had to be made.

She came to him and asked, “Lord, don’t you care that my sister has left me to do the work by myself? Tell her to help me!” ⁴¹ “Martha, Martha,” the Lord answered, “you are worried and upset about many things, ⁴² but only one thing is needed. Mary has chosen what is better, and it will not be taken away from her.”

Matthew 11:28-30

²⁸ “Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. ²⁹ Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. ³⁰ For my yoke is easy and my burden is light.”

MARGIN *(at a glance)*

Making Room for What Matters Most

1. April 18 - **The Pain of an Overloaded Life** (part 1). *Ephesians 5:15-17, Luke 10:38-42*
2. April 25 - **The Pain of an Overloaded Life** (part 2). *2 Kings 5:1-16*
3. **May 2– Compassion Sunday!** – A day focusing on the ministry of Compassion International, and their work to release children from poverty, in the name of Jesus.
4. May 9 - **Emotional and Physical Margin.** *Various scripture passages*
5. May 16 - **Time Margin.** *Ephesians 5:15-21*
6. May 23 - **Financial Margin.** *Matthew 6:19-33*
7. May 30 - **Contentment.** *Philippians 4:10-13*
8. June 6 - **Work Margin.** *1 Thessalonians 4:9-12*
9. June 13 - **Experiencing True Rest.** *Luke 6:1-11*
10. June 20 – **Churchwide Picnic** in the Back Yard! – 12:00pm
11. June 27 – **Return to Indoor Worship?**

You can listen to today’s message at MissionTrailsChurch.com or on the **MTC App**.



The Pain of an Overloaded Life (part 1)

Ephesians 5:15-17, Luke 10:38-42

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WHAT IS MARGIN?

Margin is the space between our _____ and our _____.

_____ - _____ = Margin.

Proverbs 23:4, 1 Timothy 6:9-10, Matthew 16:24-26

Margin exists for _____.

Life without margin causes _____. (*John 16:33*)

Wise, margin-filled living, requires that we live _____.

A CASE STUDY: LUKE 10:38-42

In her haste to make everything just right, Martha was distracted with _____ things, and missed the _____ things. (*Romans 12:2*)

“Hurry is not of the devil; hurry is the devil. So ruthlessly eliminate hurry from your life.”

THE PAIN OF MARGIN-LESS LIVING

When margin decreases, your _____ increases.

When margin decreases, your _____ decreases.

WHY WE HAVE SO MUCH TROUBLE WITH MARGIN

Our hearts are _____ - _____. (*Matthew 11:28-29*)

SONGS

ONLY KING FOREVER

Verse 1

Our God and firm foundation
Our Rock the only solid ground
The nations rise and fall

Kingdoms once strong now shaken
We trust forever in Your name
The name of Jesus
We trust in the name of Jesus

Chorus

You are the only King forever
Almighty God we lift You higher
You are the only King forever
Forevermore You are victorious

Verse 2

Unmatched in all Your wisdom
In love and justice You will reign
And every knee will bow

We bring our expectations
Our hope is anchored in Your name
The name of Jesus
Oh we trust the name of Jesus

Bridge

We lift our banner high
We lift the name of Jesus
From age to age You reign
Your kingdom has no end

CCLI Song # 7011438

YES I WILL

Verse 1

I count on one thing
The same God that never fails
Will not fail me now
You won't fail me now

In the waiting
The same God who's never late
Is working all things out
You're working all things out

Chorus

Yes I will lift You high
In the lowest valley
Yes I will bless Your name

Yes I will sing for joy
When my heart is heavy
All my days yes I will

Bridge

I choose to praise
To glorify glorify
The name of all names
That nothing can stand against

CCLI Song # 7105442

HOW GREAT IS OUR GOD

Verse 1

The splendor of the King
Clothed in majesty
Let all the earth rejoice
All the earth rejoice

He wraps Himself in light
And darkness tries to hide
And trembles at His voice
And trembles at His voice

Chorus

How great is our God
Sing with me
How great is our God
And all will see how great
How great is our God

Verse 2

And age to age He stands
And time is in His hands
Beginning and the End
Beginning and the End

The Godhead three in one
Father Spirit Son
The Lion and the Lamb
The Lion and the Lamb

Bridge

Name above all names
Worthy of all praise
My heart will sing
How great is our God
CCLI Song # 4348399

PRAYER

We lift to you here our hearts and prayers.

For grace and provision in the coming week, **we look to you.**
For the lifegiving gifts of your word and your truth, **we are thankful.**
For the joys of life shared with family and friends, **we praise you.**

For the grace to live in grateful humility **we look to you.**
For the many small blessings and beauties that surround us, **we are thankful.**
For the displays of your majesty and power in our world, **we praise you.**

For the promise of your constant presence giving hope and comfort and strength and joy in the various moments and labors of the week to come, **we bless your holy name.**

May the rhythms of our petitions and thanksgivings become, in time, like the steady drumbeat in a long and unending song of your faithfulness, O God.

Amen.