

Focus Series: Priorities

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I. A World Of Opportunity

II. What Matters Most

Mark 12:28-34

III. Knowing & Doing

In His Father's House

Luke 2:41-52

Obedying His Father's Will

Luke 4:42-44

IV. Staying Focused

Personal Reflection

Take time this week to pray & respond to the following:

You are living in a world of opportunity that offers more information & experiences than you could ever hope to understand & enjoy. With all of the options available, it can be overwhelming when trying to discern & establish priorities for life.

Establishing priorities is a necessary response to the options that life brings. If you are not being intentional about priorities then you are likely on autopilot—relying on feelings in the moment to dictate your investment of resources, time & abilities.

Though priorities vary from individual to individual in terms of detail, all Christ-followers should organize their lives according to God's Word. Taking time to discern God's will, identifying your core life-principles & being committed to loving, serving & reaching people are fundamental steps in this process.

At present, what perceived pressures, responsibilities & opportunities are guiding your allocation of resources, time & abilities? Are biblical principles and a commitment to love & serve others at the forefront of your efforts?

Prayerfully ask God to reveal what matters most in your life—ways that you can first love Him & then love your neighbors. Moreover, ask God to help you see His specific plan for your life—to better know who you are in Him & what He wants you to do for His glory. Reflect on the truth that the greatest joys in life are found in a relationship with Him that is growing & maturing. Commit to allow the Lord to change or reorient your priorities in this new year of opportunity.