

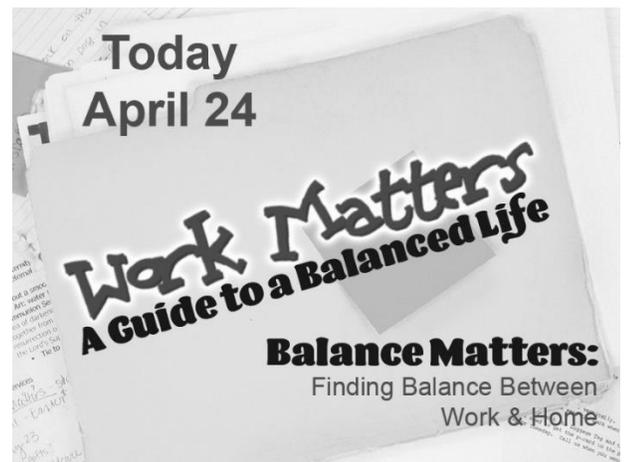
Series: Work Matters: A Guide to A Balanced Life
Title: *Balance Matters: Finding Balance Between Work and Home*

Text: James 4:8; Ecclesiastes 2:20

Introduction:

Memory Verse

Wherefore I perceive that there is nothing better, than that a man should rejoice in his own works; for that is his portion: for who shall bring him to see what shall be after him? (Ecclesiastes 3:22)



Big Idea – Experience _____ Living by Making Room for Life.

Let's talk about making room for the four most important elements in life.

I) Make Room for _____.

In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth. (Genesis 1:1)

And the Lord God took the man, and put him into the garden of Eden to dress it and to keep it. (Genesis 2:15)

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On a scale of 1 to 10, how happy am I in my work? _____

II) Make Room for _____.

And on the seventh day God ended his work which he had made; and he rested on the seventh day from all his work which he had made. And God blessed the seventh day, and sanctified it: because that in it he had rested from all his work which God created and made. (Genesis 2:2-3)

The labour of the foolish wearieth every one of them, because he knoweth not how to go to the city. (Ecclesiastes 10:15)

My next day of rest will be _____.

III) Make Room for _____.

And the Lord God said, It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him an help meet for him. (Genesis 2:18)

Two are better than one; because they have a good reward for their labour. For if they fall, the one will lift up his fellow: but woe to him that is alone when he falleth; for he hath not another to help him up. (Ecclesiastes 4:9-10)

Two Relationships that I need to make room for in my life:

- _____
- _____

IV) Make Room for _____.

So God created man in his *own* image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them. (Genesis 1:27)

God is faithful, by whom ye were called unto the fellowship of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord. (1 Corinthians 1:9)

I will schedule a daily quiet time at _____ each day.

Conclusion:

The work of balancing life is hard and naturally wants to be out of balance, but committing to God will help all of life be successful.

Next Steps:

- Memorize Ecclesiastes 3:22
- Become a Follower of Jesus
- Spend time with God everyday for the next 7 days.
- Determine to take 1 day this week to rest.
- Contact someone this week and schedule a time to spend with them.

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