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THE CHRISTIAN MAN: PRIORITIES – Finding Life Balance in a Hurried Culture

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PRIORITIES

- A Priority is anything that has a high degree of Importance. They may or may not have a high degree of Urgency.
- Warren Buffet said you can only handle
 priorities at a time. I recommend only
 at a time.

BIBLICAL PRIORITIES

- Loving God Seek the God Who Is!
- Self-Examination Resolve to periodically call a time out to look into your soul!
- The Bible We do not use our personal experience to interpret the Bible. We use the Bible to interpret our personal experience.

BIBLICAL PRIORITIES

- Prayer It should release the power of God into human action.
- Church Reverse the formula! The church needs to focus on the least involved rather than those who are most involved.

OTHER PRIORITIES

- Money Stewardship
- Ministry (Service) It is its own reward. Do not forget to identify and use our spiritual gifts.

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OTHER PRIORITIES

- Loving People (Matt 22:39,40) Love is the glue that keeps us from rubbing one another the wrong way. We need to love our wife, family, and friends.
- Vocation Perform work with excellence.
 Do "temple maintenance!"

LAST THOUGHTS

- Be real with yourself and God about what your priorities are.
- Get the right things done and not just anything.

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- Have a specific plan of action.
- Occasionally, plan a spiritual retreat with your self. You need soul time to examine your priorities.

TIME MANAGEMENT MATRIX

URGENT

Q1 NECESSITY

Crises
Emergency meetings
Last-minute deadlines
Pressing problems
Unforeseen events

Q2 EFFECTIVENESS

Proactive work
Important goals
Creative thinking
Planning and prevention
Relationship building
Learning and renewal
Recreation

Q3 DISTRACTION

Needless interruptions
Unnecessary reports
Irrelevant meetings
Other people's minor issues
Unimportant email,
tasks, phone calls, status
posts, etc.

Q4 WASTE

Trivial work
Avoidance activities
Excessive relaxation,
television, gaming,
Internet
Time-wasters
Gossip

TABLE DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. Draw the time management/priorities boxes on your sheet of paper. Name the boxes Q1-4.
- 2. Make a list of your priorities for next week.
- 3. Evaluate your priorities according to which box they fall into. Write them in the box.
- 4. Share them with your table mates. Get their input.
- 5. Discuss how you will stay in and complete your priorities in Q2 and ways to stay out of Q1, Q3, and Q4.