

DON'T WASTE YOUR LIFE IN 2020 SPEND IT ON GOD!

Be careful how you live, not as fools but as those who are wise. Make the most of every opportunity for doing good in these evil days. Don't act thoughtlessly, but try to understand what the Lord wants you to do. **Ephesians 5: 15-17 (NLT)**

1. What does God want? MY WHOLE LIFE

...give yourselves completely to God for you were dead, but now you have new life. So use your whole body as an instrument to do what is right for the glory of God. **Romans 6: 13 (NLT)**

No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate one and love the other; you will be devoted to one and despise the other. **Matthew 6: 24 (NLT)**

But they all began making excuses. One said, "I have just bought a field and must inspect it. Please excuse me." Another said, "I have just bought five pairs of oxen, and I want to try them out. Please excuse me." Another said, I now have a wife, so I can't come." **Luke 14: 18-20 (NLT)**

Seek His will in all you do, and He will show you which path to take. **Proverbs 3: 6 (NLT)**

2. What will it take? DISCIPLINE

...discipline yourself for the purpose of godliness; for bodily discipline is only of little profit, but godliness is profitable for all things, since it holds the promise for the present life and also for the life to come. **1 Timothy 4: 7 (NASV)**

So run to win! All athletes are disciplined in their training. They do it to win a prize that will fade away, but we do it for an eternal prize! So I run with purpose in every step...I discipline my body like an athlete, training it to do what it should. **1 Corinthians 9: 24-27 (NLT)**

...let us strip off every weight that slows us down, especially the sin that so easily trips us up. And let us run with endurance the race God has set before us. **Hebrews 12: 1b (NLT)**

Martha was distracted by her many tasks...But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; but there is need of only one thing and Mary has chosen the better part..." **Luke 10: 40-42 (NRSV)**

3. Why should I do it? THE CROSS

He died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for Him who died for them and was raised again.

2 Corinthians 5: 15 (NASV)

With eyes wide open to the mercies of God, I beg you, my brothers, as an act of intelligent worship, to give him your bodies, as a living sacrifice, consecrated to him and acceptable by him. Don't let the world around you squeeze you into its own mould, but let God re-mould your minds from within, so that you may prove in practice that the plan of God for you is good, meets all his demands and moves towards the goal of true maturity.

Romans 12: 1-2 (Phillips)

We beg you, please don't squander one bit of this marvelous life God has given us!

2 Corinthians 6: 1 (Msg)

Some of those present were saying indignantly to one another, "Why this waste of perfume?"

Mark 14: 4 (NIV)

4. What must I do? SPEND MY LIFE ON GOD

- **ABANDON ALL DISTRACTIONS**

Anyone who lets himself be distracted from the work I plan for him is not fit for the Kingdom of God.

Luke 9: 62 (LB)

- **ADOPT GOD'S PURPOSE**

But my life is worth nothing to me unless I use it for finishing the work assigned me by the Lord Jesus--the work of telling others the Good News about the wonderful grace of God.

Acts 21: 24 (NLT)

- **APPROPRIATE GOD'S POWER**

For the eyes of the Lord move to and fro throughout the earth, that He may strongly support those whose heart is completely His.

2 Chronicles 16: 9 (NASV)

- **ANTICIPATE GOD'S REWARD**

If anyone wishes to come after Me, he must deny himself & take up his cross and follow Me... For the Son of Man is going to come... & then He will reward each person according to what they have done.

Matthew 16: 24-27 (NIV)

