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What's Number 1?

The Lord alone deserves to be our first priority. Is He?
If you were chart your life in 5-year seasons, what was
your first priority in each season?

Who is It You Are Looking For?

So far ... 1) Our achievements, 2) Our imaginations,
and 3) returning to an idealized view of the past
(N_____).

Today we “bundle” two related to M_____.

“Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moths and vermin destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moths and vermin do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also...”

“No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money.”

Matthew 6:19-24

Don't treasure the stuff of earth.

It's a bad investment.

But more importantly, “...there your H_____ will be also.” There's one place our heart should be most.

What God cares most about when it is our H_____.

Devotion of D_____

The best way to remove something from the position of top priority is to give it away/do without it. Try it.
e.g. Social media. Media. Clothes. Drink...

Beware of E_____ Idolatry

One Master. “*You cannot serve both God and money.*”

The F_____ of Idolatry

Having any top priority other than the Lord leads inevitably to W_____.

Whatever you F_____ God for will F_____ you.

Trusting can be hard. It's worth the work.

Jesus doesn't say “consider not worrying.”

“Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothes? Look at the birds of the air; ...Can any one of you by worrying add a single hour to your life? “Why do you worry about clothes? ...So do not worry, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them.”

But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.

Matthew 6:25-34

What can you do to shift your trust to the Lord?

What can you entrust to the Lord instead of worrying?

What is the “spirit” that makes you want to look for it?

Greed? Competition? Fear? Boredom?

Seek F_____ God's kingdom & righteousness.

Another F_____ of Materialism

It's possible when we follow Jesus' command to “Look at the birds and flowers” that we can go overboard.

The wrath of God is being revealed... since what may be known about God is plain to them, because God has made it plain to them. For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities—His eternal power and divine nature—have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that people are without excuse.

...Although they claimed to be wise, they became fools and exchanged the glory of the immortal God for images made to look like a mortal human being and birds and animals....

Therefore God gave them over in the sinful desires of their hearts to sexual impurity.... They exchanged the truth about God for a lie, and worshiped and served created things rather than the Creator...

Romans 1:18-25

Next Steps

- 1) Make a chart of your top priorities in each 5 year season of your life. Be as honest as possible.
- 2) Demote something that either is in front of God in your life or is vying to be.
- 3) Take one step to trust God more.

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