

First God Luke 9:57-62

Life Is A Matter Of Priorities

Quality of living determined by things we put first in lives.

This is true in every phase of your life.

5 Steps to Declutter your Schedule and Live Your Desired Life

1. Acknowledge the fact that you can't do everything.
2. Clarify what's most important...to you!
What kind of person do you want to be?
What relationships are most important to you?
What do you want to accomplish?
3. Determine what you have to do to live for those things.
4. Say "no" to other stuff that hinders you.
5. Find what motivates you and use it.

BecomingMinimalist.Com - Mike Burns

It seems many say God will come next in my lives.

God does not come NEXT, to anything or anyone.

Text Clear That God Does Not Come Next

Luke 9:59 And He said to another, "Follow Me." ...

The call is not one that is complicated.

Very simple follow me. call is for now, not tomorrow.

Luke 9:59 ... But he said, "Lord, permit me first to go and bury my father."

Here is a very difficult decision.

Saying let me go stay with father until he dies then I will follow.

We commend the man for the concern that he had for his father.

His reply to the Lord is AFTER I bury him you will be NEXT.

Luke 9:60 But He said to him, "Allow the dead to bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim everywhere the kingdom of God."

This is not a charge for people not to bury their dead.

The soul of this man's father had gone beyond his reach, let the ones spiritually dead bury the dead.

There is something more important than this, to follow me now.

Would the man be able to follow Jesus after he buried one so dear to him, or would he be tempted to stay and not follow.

The point is God is First.

Luke 9:61 Another also said, "I will follow You, Lord; but first permit me to say good-bye to those at home."

The same call was given to this man.

We understand his reply, let me bid farewell to those of my house.

This request sounds very reasonable and is sound.

He doesn't say that he will not follow Jesus but let me do this first.

However, when he gets back to house telling people of intentions to follow this man Jesus and they beg him not to go, would he go?

Is this so many times hinders one from following Jesus? - **Matthew 10:37**

Luke 9:62 But Jesus said to him, "No one, after putting his hand to the plow and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God."

It matters not what part of the worldly heart looks back that keeps one from putting Christ first is wrong.

God Will Not Be Next

Psalms 27:8; Psalms 37:3-7

**Now We Can Draw The Lesson To Each Of Us
Home**

Is true, many problems in every home. Some we know, some not.

However, one thing is sure, home that puts Christ first will stand.

The relationship between husband and wife, parents and children cannot be right until the Lord is put first in your home.

Not next . . . but first.

Lives

What is wrong with our society? This question is often asked and men with much education give their advice.

Not putting God first in lives led to downfall of many.

Homosexuality and all sins come by trying to put God next. - **1Corinthians 6:9-10**

Church

The work at this church depends on Christ being first.

Many talk big about church, great plans but does God come first. Or after Ballgames, work, my recreation. God will not be next.

Church work suffers when God not first.

God Demands To Be First

Society obsessed with self

Even relationship to God seen from "Me" attitude - **Jeremiah 29:11**

Yet God wants us to seek after Him, not me. - **Jeremiah 29:13; Acts 17:27**

Put Him First - **Matthew 6:33**

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