

5 Ways To Wreck Your Life

#3: Ignore God

How to have ALL you've ever wanted WITH God

1. Consider the reasons _____

*He offers _____ and _____ and a _____

Jeremiah 29:11 *For I know the plans I have for you...plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.*

*He offers _____

2 Corinthians 5:17 *Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!*

*He offers to _____

Proverbs 3:5-6 *Trust in the LORD with all your heart; do not depend on your own understanding. Seek his will in all you do, and he will show you which path to take.*

*He offers to _____

Ephesians 3:18-19 *And may you have the power to understand... how wide, how long, how high, and how deep his love is. May you experience the love of Christ, though it is too great to understand fully.*

2. Pursue God as the _____

Hebrews 11:6 *...anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.*

Matthew 6:33 *But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.*

*Practice daily _____

* _____ on God daily

*Hang out with people on _____

1 Tim. 4:7 *...train yourself to be godly.*

Distinguishing marks of Christians who are ignoring God

- They attend church fairly regularly because it's what's expected.
Isaiah 29:13 *The Lord says: "These people come near to me with their mouth and honor me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me."*
- They give money to charity and to the church...as long as it doesn't impact their standard of living.
- They choose what is popular over what is right when they are in conflict. They want to fit in and care more about what people think of their actions than what God thinks.
- They don't want to be saved from their sin; they only want to be saved from the penalty of their sin. They don't genuinely hate their sin.
- They are moved by stories of people who do radical things for Jesus, but they do not act.
- They rarely share their faith with their neighbors, coworkers or friends. They don't want to be rejected or made uncomfortable.
- They gauge their morality or "goodness" by comparing themselves to the secular world. "I'm not as bad as that person."
- They say they love Jesus and that He is a part of their life, but only a part. They give him a section of their time, money and thoughts, but He is not in control.
- They love God, but not with all their heart, soul, and strength.
- They love others, but not as much as they love themselves. They usually only love those who love them in return.
- They think about life on earth much more than eternity in heaven.

A few of my centering prayers

- *My priority: Hebrews 11:6
- *My calling: "Who do you want me to serve for you today?"
- *My attitude: "It's not about me."
- *My future: Eternity is coming and this is not my home.
- *2nd things versus 1st things.
- *View hardship as discipline – God is treating you as a son (Hebrews 12:7)
- * "I don't want things from you...I want YOU!"
- *My life belongs to you. Show me what part you want me to play in your plan in this world and I will say yes.
- *My identity: I'm a branch (John 15)