

PRIORITIES

A Lord's Flock Praise & Worship Topic

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Priorities are the essential aspects of our lives that we value the most. Some may prioritize family, while others may put priority on health, financial security, career success, and/or personal growth. Our priorities influence our choices, decisions, actions, and behaviors. Nonetheless, our Christian priority is to put GOD first (*Exodus 20:2-3, Mark 12:30-31*).



1. HOW DO WE PRIORITIZE GOD?

1.1 Seek first the Kingdom of God

Focus on God and His righteousness. Matthew 6:33 is a call to live a life that is pleasing to Him. When we seek Him first, we can trust that all our needs will be met, and we will experience true fulfillment and joy. Believe that God is bigger, stronger, and has full control over everything (*our health, finances, relationships, future, time, etc.*)

Our destiny is not a matter of chance but a matter of choice; choose good over evil, choose better over good. Choose God! If God is our priority, everything will become secondary.

1.2 Serve God

- Love Him with all that we are, obey and enjoy Him forever. Joshua 24:14-15 challenges us to examine our allegiances and prioritize our commitment to God above all else.
- Worship Him through words, songs, dance, and witnessing.

1.3 Develop a personal relationship with God.

Connect with God by spending time with Him through prayer, reading and studying the Bible, spending time with other believers, and attending church regularly. Most importantly, by living our faith.

Friendship with God is of great value because God takes great concern for the welfare of His friends. He cares for them, provides for them, loves, counsels, comforts, and encourages them, and ultimately, receives them to Himself.

2. WHY SHOULD WE PRIORITIZE GOD?

Matthew 6:33 says "Seek first the Kingdom of God and all these things shall be added unto you."

2.1 His undeserved favor/grace (2 Cor. 12:8-9)

Paul and Silas experienced God's grace in prison. Even though they were heavily guarded and shackled, God caused an earthquake that opened the prison doors and their shackles. God sent angels to release them (Acts 16:25-34).

2.2 Assured future - *We will not have to worry about our future (Matthew 6:33-34).*

2.3 Divine Provision- *We will not have to worry about our needs (Matthew 6:25).*

2.4 Answered Prayers - *Whatever and anything we ask in His name, He will give (John 14:13-14.)*

Conclusion:

God does not want us to place anything before Him and desires that we seek and serve Him. He wants to be close to us because we are His delight. He wants us to be whole, blessed, fulfilled, loved, and freed. God matters most and must never be at the mercy of things that matter least. Developing a personal relationship with God is not only necessary and beneficial but is a priority. Let us make God our priority!

Reflection:

1. How do you prioritize God in your life?
2. How does your relationship with God impact your choices/decisions/plans?

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