



Shiloh Messenger

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AN UNWAVERING PRIORITY

“I want to know Christ & the power of His resurrection” Philippians 3:10

Prioritize is to arrange in order of significance so that you can properly take care of the most weighty matters first.

Our priorities can change at different times in our life. Priorities will indeed shift depending on the responsibilities in our given season. Never is it to be taken lightly how we steward the many duties at hand. We will indeed be held accountable in how we managed. Even so there should always be a resolved and remaining first commitment established upon Covenant when we surrender with our whole heart to The Lord. Whatever held preeminence prior to becoming a Disciple of Christ, now should lose its superior status. Nothing or no one holds the number one priority as HE does. If this is not the case, then we need to revisit our surrender to HIM.

Love The Lord, Your God with all your heart, Soul, mind, and strength. This is indeed the greatest of all commandments. Jesus addressed the Pharisee in Matthew 22:37-40, and also the Church of Ephesus in regards to this. If we have allowed our intimacy and knowing Him to take a secondary or even on down the line position.... We have lost our first Love. (Revelation 2:4). If we prioritize wisely, there will be several essentials we abide by:

IMPORTANCE * IMPACT * URGENCY

Our absolute highest priority should always be our relationship with God and fulfilling His Will. No matter the time, & the sudden responsibilities that may be thrust upon us, one thing should hold utmost status, & remain unshifted. We must be resolved to know Christ and the power of His resurrection. We must be a recipient of His Grace & His empowerment to become more like Him. When filled by Him, we make an eternal impact in these very urgent times we are living in. We must be wrapped in humility & by the multiplicity of His Grace fellowship in His sufferings & to die to ourself in order that HE is high and lifted up.

Our Nation desperately needs Jesus. Are you empowered with His Spirit to carry Him in the chaos? We are living in some critical times. Many voices, & situations bid for our attention. Evil has escalated. The greatest justice we could ever do in making an impact in a dark world is to be adamant with our Status One Priority remaining unhindered. If we truly desire to know HIM the more, live in His resurrected Power & yield to dying to self daily, our intimacy & dialogue with HIM will flourish. Loving His Word increases, Our love abounds, & we will sincerely care about the lost. HE then can use us for His Glory in these last days. “And I continually long to know the wonders of Jesus & to experience the overflowing power of His resurrection working in me. I will be one with Him in His sufferings & become like Him in His death.” Phil. 3:10 TPT. The Apostle Paul penned this passage not as a new comer to Christ, but one that had quite a history with Christ. We can never exhaust getting to know The Lord or experiencing His Power working in and through us.

Do you know HIM experientially? Are you becoming more thoroughly acquainted with HIM? Are you understanding more the remarkable wonders of HIS person? Are you experiencing the power of HIS resurrection which overflows & is active in those that do not limit Him? Does your life no longer belong to you? (Gal. 2:20) Are you sensitive to HIS Spirit & live a life of quick repentance regarding anything that would grieve or hinder your relationship with HIM? Are you yielded to continually being conformed into HIS Likeness even to death? Are you teachable? It is of utmost importance. Make sure your priorities are in proper alignment. “Remember, in the end, you are not living to impress your friends, relatives, or coworkers. All of Life is for Jesus.”

God Takes Hard Things and Turns Them into Love.

How does God take the hard things in our life and turn them into love? I can fall apart, and his hand still catches me. This is God's testimony on how he saved me. My name is Patrick McAnally. I'm from Newton, Texas and grew up on a farm. My life consisted of school, hunting, and fishing. At 18 years of age, I left to go to basic training at Ft. Benning (home of the infantry). I am now an Army Veteran. When I left home at 18 this was the time in my life when things began to change. I grew up fast, too fast. My life became consumed with addictions and the need for adrenaline up until July 2023. I filled the void in my soul with anything and everything, but God. God gives us free will. I thank Him today and every day for giving us grace and mercy. I see now the countless times God was with me, even when I turned against Him. In 36 years of addiction, I've overdosed on Opioids twice, finding myself in complete and total bondage. I needed freedom. I was blessed to hear a young man's testimony about his time at Shiloh Ministries and the positive impact it had in his life. This was the beginning of God's transformation in my life. It's an act of faith to give our burdens to the Lord. When we carry our burdens like I have for so many years, it literally wears us out. I made a covenant with God to come to Shiloh and that choice made ripples in the Kingdom of God that is a blessing almost beyond comprehension. Every choice that we make is an act of worship or an act of rebellion.

We love because He first loved us. ~1 John 4:19. I think of this verse daily. It's one of many that keep me grounded and encourage me to be light in a world that can get dark rather quickly. If you're reading this, thank you and remember to focus on Jesus. The more you look to Jesus, the more you want to be like him. Fruit comes from our focus on him. I want to thank everyone who supports Shiloh Ministries. Countless lives are being saved, families restored and having peace, and children getting their fathers back. All the glory goes to God and your support is crucial and lifesaving. I will leave you with this: God is about transforming us into His image. Please don't forget you have a value that never goes away, and the Presence of God is all around you. God gives us all opportunities to grow, to serve one another, to be a nation changer, and to follow God. Thank you and may God Bless you and your families!



Shiloh Ministries is one of The Lord's many Ministry tools to reconcile men for restoration. We are blessed to be used of Him to preach the un-searchable riches that are in Christ Jesus (Eph. 3:8). Everyday we are hearing such wonderful testimonies of our Graduates pursuing their calling of a Godly husband, father, missionary, Staff person at local Churches and a minister of reconciliation in the work place. We are asking that you prayerfully consider financially supporting Shiloh Ministries every month. The Lord's ministry at Shiloh has always been financially free for the man who desires freedom from his addictions. Because of this, we simply trust The Holy Spirit to lead people to give financially. This ministry is grateful to those who express gratitude to God by co-laboring with us in discipleship. The expenditures are huge managing a campus that houses over 30 students, staff & interns. Please prayerfully consider Shiloh Ministries every month as good ground for your financial seed. We invite you to visit our web-site and read our Testimony section. It bares witness of our graduates fruit that is on display, for The Glory of God. Thanks for your giving to The Lord's Ministry at Shiloh!



*LORD of the Harvest (Wheat & Weed's),
Matt. 9:38*

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