

Sermon Notes

Believe: Single-Mindedness

How do I focus on God's Priorities?

January 30, 2022



What distracts your focus?

KEY VERSE: "Seek first his kingdom and his righteousness and all these things will be given to you as well." (Matthew 6:33)

Why did Jesus make this statement?

Matthew 6:25 "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 important than food, and the body more important than clothes? 26 Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? 27 Who of you by worrying can add a single hour to his life?"

*28 "And why do you worry about clothes? See how the lilies of the field grow. They do not labor or spin. 29 Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these. 30 If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, will he not much more clothe you, O you of little faith? 31 So do not worry, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' 32 For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. **33 But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.** 34 Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.*

How does worry keep us from being single-minded?

How do I stay focused on God's priorities?

1. Spend time each day in the _____ of God!

- *Deuteronomy 6:6 These commandments that I give you today are to be upon your hearts. 7 Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. 8 Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. 9 Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates.*
- *Colossians 3:16 Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom, and as you sing psalms, hymns and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God.*

2. Seek each day to do the _____ of God!

- *Colossians 3:17 And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.*
- *1 Corinthians 15:58 Therefore, my dear brothers, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain.*

3. Strive to carry out the _____ of God!

- *Deuteronomy 6:4 Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. 5 Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength.*
- *Matthew 12:50 For whoever does the will of my Father in heaven is my brother and sister and mother."*

What is God's promise as I stay focused on his priorities?

- a. He takes care of our BIGGEST need! _____
- b. He takes care of our smallest needs! _____

STAY FOCUSED: *Seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. (Matthew 6:33)*

DAILY DEVOTION: *Join email list to start your day with a devotion!*

Applying to My Life:
SERMON REFLECTIONS



The thought the Spirit is leading me to focus on is:

The change the Spirit is leading me to work on is:

The action the Spirit is prompting me to take is:

My prayers today are:

Someone I would like to bless with today's message:

Digging Deeper:
STUDY THIS WEEK: S.O.A.P. METHOD

Scripture: *(Use one from the message this week)*

KEY VERSE: *“Seek first his kingdom and his righteousness and all these things will be given to you as well.” (Matthew 6:33)*

Observation: *(What stood out about this verse? What do you notice?)*

Application: *(How can you apply this verse in your life today? How can you live in light of this truth?)*

Prayer: *(Turn your thoughts into prayer. Ask the Lord to show you how to believe and live this verse. Pray for people and situations in your life.)*