

OUR NUMBER ONE GOAL

Life Goals, #1

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2 Corinthians 5:9 (NLT) “So whether we are here in this body or away from this body, our goal is to please him.”

- **Live a lifestyle of Worship.**

Romans 12:1 (GNT) “Because of God’s great mercy to us I appeal to you: Offer yourselves as a living sacrifice to God, dedicated to his service and pleasing to him. This is the true worship that you should offer.”

Mark 12:30 (NLT) “you must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, all your mind, and all your strength.””

1. A lifestyle of worship focuses my attention on God.

Psalms 139:1-3 (GNT) “Lord, you have examined me and you know me. You know everything I do; from far away you understand all my thoughts. You see me, whether I am working or resting; you know all my actions.”

Romans 8:7-8 (Message) “Focusing on the self is the opposite of focusing on God. Anyone completely absorbed in self ignores God, ends up thinking more about self than God. That person ignores who God is and what he is doing. And God isn’t pleased at being ignored.”

Matthew 6:6 (Message) “Find a quiet, secluded place so you won’t be tempted to role-play before God. Just be there as simply and honestly as you can manage. The focus will shift from you to God, and you will begin to sense his grace.”

2. A lifestyle of worship expresses my affection to God.

Hosea 6:6 (NLT) “I don’t want your sacrifices—I want your love; I don’t want your offerings—I want you to know me.”

3. A lifestyle of worship seeks to please God.

Deuteronomy 6:7 (CEV) “tell them to your children over and over again. Talk about them all the time, whether you’re at home or walking along the road or going to bed at night, or getting up in the morning.”

2 Timothy 1:5 (NLT) “I remember your genuine faith, for you share the faith that first filled your grandmother Lois and your mother, Eunice. And I know that same faith continues strong in you.”

4. A lifestyle of worship influences others for God.

1 Peter 2:12 (NLT) “Be careful to live properly among your unbelieving neighbors. Then even if they accuse you of doing wrong, they will see your honorable behavior”

- Offer words of encouragement.
- Listen to them.
- Invest into them.
- Invite them.

Growthwork:

- Give God Thanks
- Begin a Family Devotional Time
- Make an Impact List
- Invite someone to church