

Your ONE and only LIFE

Romans 11:33 Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways! ³⁴ “For who has known the mind of the Lord, or who has been his counselor?” ³⁵ “Or who has given a gift to him that he might be repaid?” ³⁶ For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen.

Romans 12:1 I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. ² Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

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HOW TO NOT WASTE YOUR ONE & ONLY LIFE!

1. AIM your life at the Right Target: The GLORY of GOD

Philippians 1:20 ... as it is my eager expectation and hope that I will not be at all ashamed, but that with full courage now as always Christ will be honored in my body, whether by life or by death.

2. CENTER your life in the Right Message: The GOSPEL of JESUS

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“The Gospel is not just one class among many that you’ll attend during your life as a Christian—the Gospel is the whole building that ALL the classes take place in. Rightly approached, all the topics you will study and focus on as a believer will be offered to you ‘within the walls’ of the glorious gospel.” C.J. Mahaney

3. SURRENDER your life to the Right Purpose: WORSHIP

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Mark 8:35 For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel’s will save it. ³⁶ For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his soul?

4. LEVERAGE your life for the Right Cause: Discerning, Doing, and Delighting in the WILL of GOD

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- A. Humbly Serving His people in the church 12:3-13
- B. Happily Showing His mercy to the world 12:14-21

“Remember, you have one life. That’s all. You were made for God. Don’t waste it.” – John Piper