

Series: From Burnout to Balance - part 5
"Focusing Your Life"

MARGIN: The space between my load and my limits.

The Purpose of Margin:

Not to live a life of selfishness

But to live a life of significance

Margin - focusing on what matters most

"I ask God... to make your eyes focused and clear, so you can see exactly what it is God is calling you to do..." Eph. 1:18 (Mes)

"Don't be foolish with your lives." Eph. 5:17 (ICB)

LIFE'S 4 MOST IMPORTANT QUESTIONS

1. WHAT WILL BE THE CENTER OF MY LIFE?

"If your wealth increases, don't make it the center of your life." Ps. 62:10 (NLT)

"Christ's love has the first and last word in everything we do. Our firm decision is to work from this focused center..." 2 Cor. 5:14 (Mes)

SELF-CENTERED or GOD-CENTERED?

2. WHAT WILL BE THE CHARACTER OF MY LIFE?

"For from the very beginning God decided that those who came to Him should become like His Son." Rom. 8:29 (LB)

"In your lives you must think and act like Christ Jesus." Phil. 2:5 (NCV)

COMFORT or CHARACTER?

3. WHAT WILL BE THE CONTRIBUTION OF MY LIFE?

"God has given each of you some special abilities; be sure to use them to help each other, passing on to others God's many kinds of blessings." 1 Pet. 4:10 (LB)

"It is God Himself who has made us what we are and given us new lives from Christ Jesus; and long ago He planned that we should spend these lives in helping others." Eph. 2:10 (LB)

GETTING or GIVING?

4. WHAT WILL BE THE COMMUNICATION OF MY LIFE?

"Your lives are echoing the Master's Word... The news of your faith in God is out. We don't even have to say anything anymore – you are the message!" 1 Thess. 1:8 (Mes)

"Live in such a way that you are a credit to the message of Christ..." Phil. 1:27 (Mes)

"Life is worth nothing unless I use it for doing the work assigned me by the Lord Jesus – the work of telling others the Good News about God's mighty kindness and love." Acts 20:24 (LB)

PROMOTE MYSELF or SHARE JESUS?