

Sermon: "Don't Waste Your Life." Pete Seiferth.
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Ephesians 5:8-18

"Figure out what will please Christ, and then do it. Don't _____ your time on useless work, mere busywork, the barren pursuits of darkness. Expose these things for the sham they are. It's a scandal when people _____ their lives on things they must do in the darkness where no one will see." Ephesians 5:10-12 (The Message)

Three Basic Questions

1. What does God desire from me? _____

Trust in the LORD with _____ your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in _____ your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight. Proverbs 3:5-6

2. What does it take? _____

Have nothing to do with godless myths and old wives' tales; rather, train yourself to be godly. For physical training is of some value, but godliness has value for all things, holding promise for both the present life and the life to come. 1 Timothy 4:7-8

Let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. Hebrews 12:1b

3. Why should I do it? _____

And he died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him who died for them and was raised again. So from now on we regard no one from a worldly point of view. Though we once regarded Christ in this way, we do so no longer. Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come! 2 Corinthians 5:15-17

Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God-- this is your spiritual act of worship. Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is-- his good, pleasing and perfect will. Romans 12:1-2

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