

PUTTING GOD FIRST IN EVERYTHING

Re-Setting Our Priorities

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The Principle of the First

The Principle of the First is about ORDER.

- Making God and God's Kingdom a **priority** above everything else.
- Without understanding this principle, some scriptures remain unclear.
- **God reveals Himself through His Word.**

God is First

Genesis 1:1 (NKJV)

“In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.”

- God reveals He is FIRST.
- God is the **creator** of all things.

God Creates Order

Genesis 1 reveals God's **divine order**:

1. Heaven & Earth
2. Light & Darkness
3. Sea & Land
4. Living Creatures
5. The Spirit Realm

After order was established, God created man.

God is a God of Order

- God created everything in the **correct order**.
- Order reflects **God's nature**.
- Creation reveals **ownership**.

God Owns Everything

Psalm 24:1 (NKJV)

**“The earth is the LORD’s, and all its fullness,
The world and those who dwell therein.”**

God Owns All Resources

Haggai 2:8 (NKJV)

“The silver is Mine, and the gold is Mine.”

Psalm 50:10–12 (NKJV)

“For the world is Mine, and all its fullness.”

Who Really Runs the World?

- Nations compete for dominance
- Culture claims control

But the truth remains:

- Man has STEWARDSHIP, not ownership.
- **The earth belongs to the Lord.**

Giving God the First Part of the Day

Psalm 63:1 (NKJV)

“Early will I seek You.”

- David sought God FIRST.
- Early devotion sets **daily order**.
- God’s **wisdom** is needed **daily**.

Prayer & Fasting: Setting Order for the Year

- We give God the FIRST part of the year.
- Fasting speaks to the flesh.
- **The spirit man must be fed with God's Word.**

Living by God's Word

Deuteronomy 8:3 / Matthew 4:4 (NKJV)

“Man shall not live by bread alone...”

- **Alignment with God's Word leads to good success.**

How much time do we give God?

One Week = 168 hours

- Average Church attendance: 2–3 hours
- Daily devotion is essential for **spiritual health**.

Seek First the Kingdom

Matthew 6:33 (NKJV)

**“But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness,
and all these things shall be added to you.”**

When we put **first** reveals what we value

- **First in attention**
- **First in listening**
- **First in priority**

It's not legalism — it's alignment.

It's not pressure — it's priority.

INSIGHT

- **When God comes first in our day,**
- **everything else finds its proper place.**

1. Give God the First Part of Your Day

Psalm 63:1 (NKJV)

“Early will I seek You.”

- Decide intentionally.
- Make it a daily discipline.

2. Gratitude & Surrender

Psalm 100:4 (NKJV)

“Enter into His gates with thanksgiving.”

Proverbs 16:3 (NKJV)

“Commit your works to the LORD.”

3. Listen Through God's Word

Joshua 1:8 (NKJV)

“For then you will make your way prosperous.”

Psalm 119:105 – Direction & Clarity

Romans 10:17 – Faith is built by hearing God's Word.

Final Application

- **Choose a consistent time.**
- **Guard it daily.**
- **Start tomorrow morning.**
- **Begin and end each day with prayer.**

Follow these principles for intentional growth.

