

Radical Living for Radical Rewards



Matthew 10:24-39
English Standard Version



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- We must be free from temporary joys so we can live radically and receive a greater reward
- It hinges on your focus and it's easy to diagnose where you might be:
- What do you focus on most of the time?
- That equals your heart's desire



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⁴ Delight yourself in the LORD,
and he will give you the desires of your heart.

~Psalm 37:4



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⁵For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit set their minds on the things of the Spirit.

~Romans 8:5

How can God give me the most satisfaction?



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²⁴ "A disciple is not above his teacher, nor a servant above his master. ²⁵It is enough for the disciple to be like his teacher, and the servant like his master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household.

~MATTHEW 10:24-25



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- Disciple= God's purposes for us; to cause us to be His disciples
- To follow Him, to mimic Him, speak and live like Him
- This is our point, too - to make disciples!
- We are slaves, students and disciples
- When we follow Christ we say:
 - 1) I submit to Your teaching and commands
 - 2) I will be persecuted like You



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²⁶"So have no fear of them, for nothing is covered that will not be revealed, or hidden that will not be known. ²⁷What I tell you in the dark, say in the light, and what you hear whispered, proclaim on the housetops. ²⁸And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. ²⁹Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? And not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. ³⁰But even the hairs of your head are all numbered. ³¹Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows. ~ MATTHEW 10:26-31



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- We're told to not be afraid three times & to fear one time
- 1) Don't fear the world; why would we fear the world?
- That we'll love what the world says it can give
- That we won't get what we want most
- 2) Fear God; why?
- Because He has the fullness of all things
- That we would miss Him for lesser things



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- We can't make the hard requirements of Christianity secrets
- The public call has become the "good stuff"
- Our dirty little secret is the other stuff
- Have you been to the dark place?
- Share it!



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- Once we understand the level of God's care and sovereign love for us, we won't be afraid to live risky lives
- We won't value safety as much
- Risk it!



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³² So everyone who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven, ³³but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny before my Father who is in heaven. ³⁴

"Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth. I have not come to bring peace, but a sword.

³⁵ For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law.



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³⁶ And a person's enemies will be those of his own household. ³⁷ Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me, and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me.

~MATTHEW 10:32-37



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- This means, "standing in front of men"
- A pattern of rejections that doesn't hold up under pressure
- What are you doing daily? Standing or denying?



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³⁸And whoever does not take his cross and follow me is not worthy of me. ³⁹Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.

~MATTHEW 10:38-39



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- The key to breaking the shackles of the American Dream is here; carry the cross
- If I follow Christ anywhere, how might God bring me more satisfaction/life?
- Is anything too hard for God?
- Can He give me life?
- Must I live in fear?



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⁴⁵"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls, ⁴⁶who, on finding one pearl of great value, went and sold all that he had and bought it.

~MATTHEW 13:45-46



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- Why will we pay everything for God's Kingdom?
- For sacrifice and pain?
- JOY and LIFE



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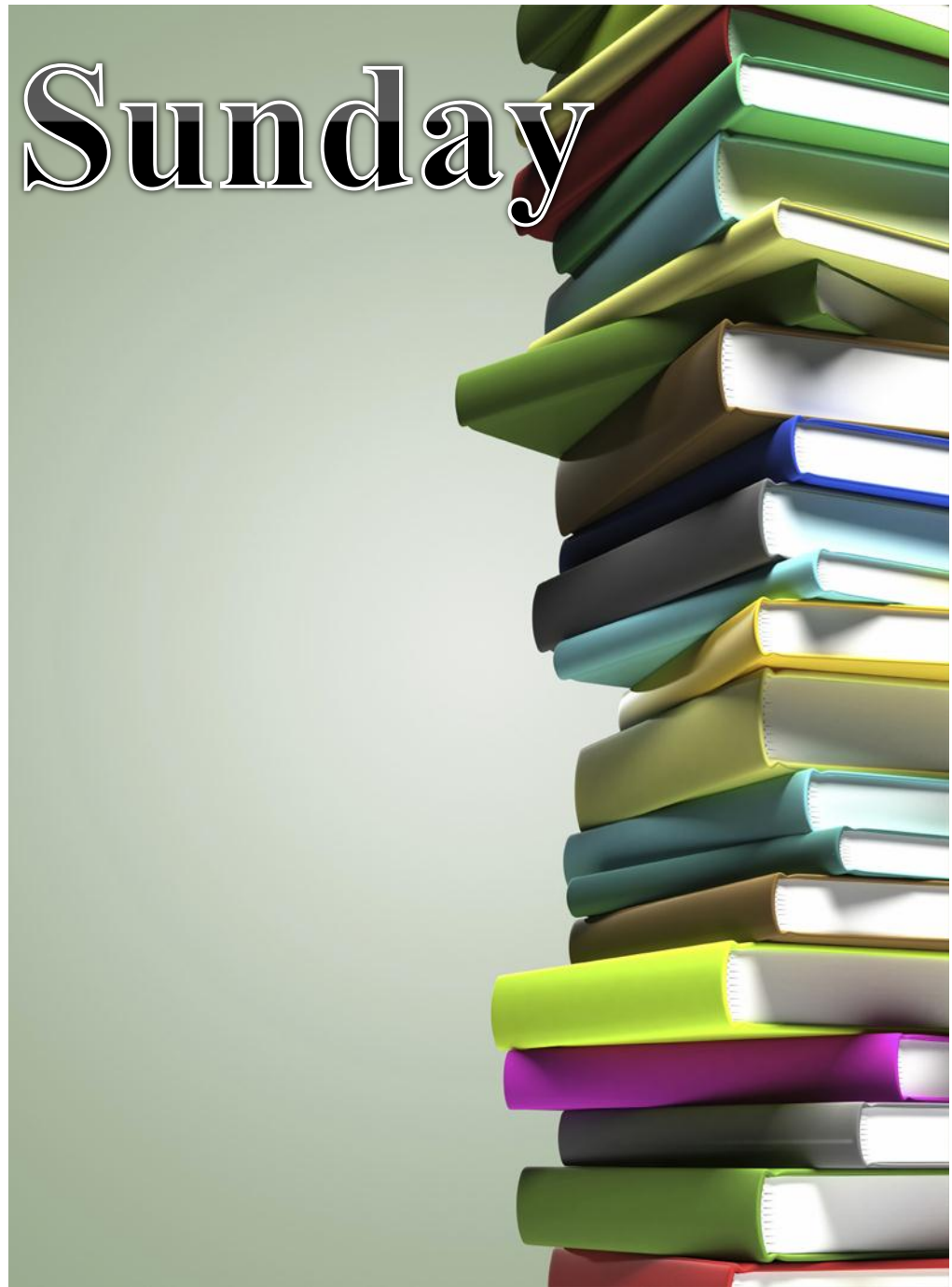
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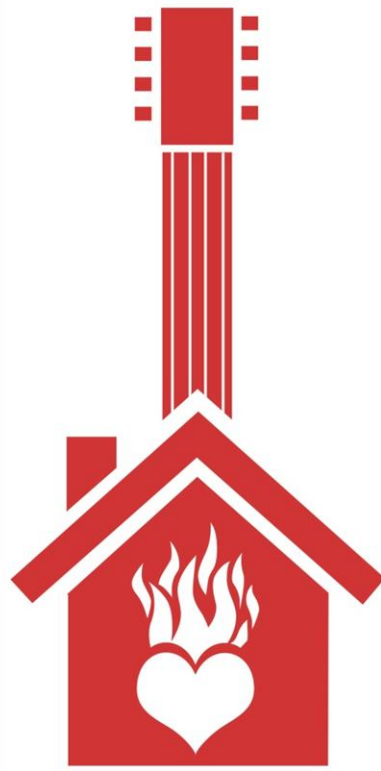
- When are you prone to fear?
- Where are fears outweighing faith?
- How has the world persuaded you from taking risks?
- How are your closest relationships influencing you to live in safety?
- Will you trust that God's rewards are worth following Christ radically?



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