

First Part 1: What To Do First

(Job 7:6 NIV) "My days are swifter than a weaver's shuttle, and they come to an end without hope. Remember, O God, that my life is but a breath."

(James 4:13-14 NIV) "Now listen, you who say, 'Today or tomorrow we will go to this or that city, spend a year there, carry on business and make money.' Why, you do not even know what will happen tomorrow. What is your life? You are a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes."

Memory Verse:

(Psalm 90:12 NIV) "Teach us to number our days aright, that we may gain a heart of wisdom."

- ✓ Put first things first.
- ✓ Give focus and energy to the things that really matter.
- ✓ Do it now.

What to Do First

(Matthew 22:37-38 NIV) Jesus replied: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and greatest commandment."

1. Turn when into now.

(2 Corinthians 6:2 NIV) "I tell you, now is the time of God's favor, now is the day of salvation."

2. Turn intentions into actions.

(James 4:17 NIV) "Anyone, then, who knows the good he ought to do and doesn't do it, sins."

- ✓ Focus on the power.

(1 Peter 4:7 NIV) "The end of all things is near. Therefore be clear minded and self-controlled so that you can pray."

✓ **Focus on people.**

(1 Peter 4:8-9 NIV) "Above all, love each other deeply, because love covers over a multitude of sins. Offer hospitality to one another without grumbling."

✓ **Focus on your purpose.**

(1 Peter 4:10-11 NIV) "Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms. If anyone speaks, he should do it as one speaking the very words of God. If anyone serves, he should do it with the strength God provides, so that in all things God may be praised through Jesus Christ. To him be the glory and the power for ever and ever. Amen."

3. Turn my whole heart toward Jesus.

(Mark 12:34 NIV) "When Jesus saw that he had answered wisely, he said to him, 'You are not far from the kingdom of God.'"