

God is Relational

Luke 10:42

The things we value in life represent the things that are important to us. Our relationship with God should be the thing we value above all other valued things.

1. The Essential (v. 42a) – “But one thing is necessary...”
 - A. What is essential? –
 - **Something you can’t live without. Air. Food. Oxygen. God. You can try to live your life without Him, but the attempt is futile if you want your life to matter for eternity.**
 - Nothing is more essential to your life than a personal relationship with God.
 - B. What do you value? –
 - **You value what is important to you.** That is determined by two primary factors: where you give your time and your money.
 - C. What matters most to you? –
 - **Entertainment, Social Media, Sports/Hobbies**
 - Compton – 60.2 million in its first weekend? **Straight outta hell.**
 - 62.4 Billion in 2012 on movies
 - Social Media – 44.5 hours per week (ages 8 to 18) in front of a screen
 - 22% teens more than 10 times a day on social media
 - **Extracurricular – see article**
2. The Election (v. 42b) – “...Mary has made the right choice...”
 - A. Mary’s Right Choice = Mary sat at his feet and listened to Him.
 - B. Martha’s Wrong Choice = “Martha was distracted by her many tasks...”
 - C. Our choices = what we value and what is most important to us.
 - **Stuff of earth competes for the allegiance that I owe only to the Giver of all good things. – Rich Mullins (If I Stand)**
 - **Sometimes not bad vs. good but good vs. best.**
 - **Not always a matter of right or wrong choice; but what is best. You can be doing something good and it be wrong at the time – like it was for Martha. Nothing wrong with her doing dishes or cleaning house; but at what expense. She missed Jesus.**
 - **Nothing wrong with the activities or the things we participate in unless they begin to take away from our primary allegiance.**
3. The Eternal (v. 42c) – “...and it will not be taken away from her.”
 - A. What is it that wouldn’t be taken away from her?
 - B. Are you giving your time and money to invest in the eternal?
 - C. What can we give that will be with those we invest in forever?

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