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How to Live Your Best Life in All Seasons

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“For I know the plans I have for you,” declares the Lord, “plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.”

JEREMIAH 29:11

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*Commit to the Lord whatever you do,
and he will establish your plans.*

PROVERBS 16:3

I will develop a personal sense of urgency to accomplish God's plan for my life and become the person God envisions me to be.

I will be committed to:

- 1) Dream God's dream for me.*
- 2) Clarify the dream until it is unmistakably clear.*
- 3) Share the dream with others so I will be held accountable.*
- 4) Pursue the dream with my whole heart and being.*

- 1) Have a dream.*
- 2) Clarify the dream.*
- 3) Share the dream.*
- 4) Pursue the dream.*

PRINCIPLES THAT GUIDE MY LIFE

> **Priority** *John 15:5*

> **Passion** *Gal. 2:20*

> **Purity** *Dan. 1:8*

> **Perseverance**
Heb. 12:1-3

> **Prayer** *Luke 18:1*

> **Purpose**
Matt. 28:19-20; 22:37-40

> **Power** *Gal. 5:25*

> **Promise** *Ps. 1:1-2*

NOAH'S LEGACY IN A SENTENCE

*A life of faithful
obedience even when the
odds were against him.*

*Then God blessed Noah and his sons,
saying to them, "Be fruitful and increase
in number and fill the earth."*

GENESIS 9:1

“As for you, be fruitful and increase in number; multiply on the earth and increase upon it... I now establish my covenant with you and with your descendants after you... Never again will all life be destroyed by the waters of a flood; never again will there be a flood to destroy the earth... This is the sign of the covenant I am making between me and you and every living creature with you, a covenant for all generations to come: I have set my rainbow in the clouds, and it will be the sign of the covenant between me and the earth.”

GENESIS 9:7-13

“Whenever the rainbow appears in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and all living creatures of every kind on the earth.” So God said to Noah, “This is the sign of the covenant I have established between me and all life on the earth.”

GENESIS 9:16-17

HOW TO BUILD A GOD-HONORING LEGACY

1

**Be faithful to
do whatever God
asks you to do.**

So we make it our goal to please him, whether we are at home in the body or away from it...

2 CORINTHIANS 5:8-9

...We instructed you how to live in order to please God, as in fact you are living. Now we ask you and urge you in the Lord Jesus to do this more and more.

1 THESSALONIANS 4:1

...keep my commands...

JOHN 15:10

*We know that we have come to know him if we
keep his commands.*

1 JOHN 2:3

Whoever claims to live in him must live as Jesus did.

1 JOHN 2:6

But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

MATTHEW 6:33

I want to know Christ—yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death.

PHILIPPIANS 3:10

*Blessed is the person whose faith is in God.
Who is careful to daily walk out his faith in God.
Whose passion and purpose is to fulfill the Will of God.
Who continuously reflects on the things of God.
He will be fruitful and blessed by God.*

PSALM 1 (Rob's Version)

2

**Be focused on faithfully
pleasing God and
blessing others.**



- > I will do what he asks me to do
→ OBEDIENCE
- > I will live knowing that this is not my home... heaven is → PERSPECTIVE
- > I will live my life to honor God AND bless others → FOCUS

By faith Noah, when warned about things not yet seen, in holy fear built an ark to save his family. By his faith he condemned the world and became heir of the righteousness that is in keeping with faith.

HEBREWS 11:7

Vital Question	Big Idea	Where Am I Right Now?	Where Do I Want to Go?	Next Steps in Getting There
1 Lineage: <i>Why Am I Here?</i>	Purpose	Who am I and what is my life purpose?	What does this look like big picture and long term? Think finished product. Create a mental model.	What is my plan to grow and fulfill my life purpose? Think practical growth plan (1-3-5 years). Be specific. Education? Finances? Family? Faith? Other?
2 Legacy: <i>What Difference Will I Make?</i>	Commitment	Starting with the end in view, as of today, what do I want my life to look like?	What changes do I need to make to maximize the opportunities in the life God has given me?	What changes can I make now? This year? In 3 years? In 5 years?

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3 Influence: <i>Who Will I Impact?</i>	Contribution	Who am I serving? Spouse, kids, grandkids, other?	How can I better influence others for God and for good?	Where do I need to grow so that I can become a more impactful mentor? Who will be my mentees?
4 Virtue: <i>How Integrous Will I Become?</i>	Character	Study these virtue lists: 1 Cor 13, Matt 5, Gal 5:22-23. Where am I strong? Where am I weak?	How virtuous will I become?	How will I get there?

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5 Reliability: <i>Can I Be Counted On?</i>	Accountability	Do others say I am reliable, accountable, responsible? How? Explain.	What does total reliability and accountability look like for me?	What do I need to do and what habits do I need to form that will help me grow?
6 Perseverance: <i>Will I Persist?</i>	Overcoming	How well do I do with adversity? Am I too quick to give up? Or am I quick to persevere? Describe.	What does mature perseverance and persistence look like? Who comes to mind that I can model my life after?	What are some growth steps that I can employ that will strengthen my resolve and grow my perseverance muscle?

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7 Resilience: <i>Will I Make a Fresh Start?</i>	Courage	There will be more than one time in life where I need to find the courage to start over. Where is my courage meter at right now?	What does courageous resilience look like to me? Create a mental model to run after. (Think about Abraham, Moses, Joseph, and Noah.)	What are one or two courageous steps you can and need to take to become the best version of yourself? Think about your relationships, work, health, faith, and more. Be specific.
8 Finish: <i>Will I Maximize My Opportunity?</i>	Fulfillment	How are you doing at living your best life today and every day, maximizing the opportunity God has given you?	What does maximizing my life look like in my marriage, family, finances, faith, etc? Describe what a fulfilling life means to you.	Where do you need to raise the bar and fight through complacency and callousness to maximize your life and find greater fulfillment?

Consistency
Commitment
Clarity
Conviction

3

Realize that God
rewards faithfulness.

5 Major Covenants in the Bible

**Noahic, Abrahamic,
Mosaic, Davidic, and New**

Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, 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, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. Consider him who endured such opposition from sinners, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.

HEBREWS 12:1-3

FIND US FAITHFUL

*We're pilgrims on the journey
of the narrow road,
and those who've gone before us
line the way.
cheering on the faithful,
encouraging the weary,
their lives a stirring testament
to God's sustaining grace.*

FIND US FAITHFUL

*Surrounded by so great
a cloud of witnesses,
let us run the race
not only for the prize,
but as those who've gone before us.
let us leave to those behind us,
the heritage of faithfulness
passed on thru godly lives.*

FIND US FAITHFUL

*O may all who come behind us
find us faithful,
may the fire of our devotion light their way.
may the footprints that we leave,
lead them to believe,
and the lives we live inspire them to obey.
o may all who come behind us
find us faithful.*

FIND US FAITHFUL

*After all our hopes and dreams
have come and gone,
and our children sift thru all
we've left behind,
may the clues that they discover,
and the mem'ries they uncover,
become the light that leads them,
to the road we each must find.*

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- I want to follow Jesus
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PRAYERS / COMMENTS

How can we pray for you?



