

Prioritize Priorities

Ephesians 5:15-18 “Be very careful, then, how you live--not as unwise but as wise, making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil. Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the Lord's will is. Do not get drunk on wine, which leads to debauchery. Instead, be filled with the Spirit.”

I have found that if you don't make your devotional life with the LORD your first priority, you will prioritize sin. God created us with an appetite for fellowship with Him.

There's a difference between appetite and satisfaction. Financial debt, for example, can be satisfied to completion. Your appetites however, can never be completely satisfied, until you're non-existent. Many religions spend ridiculous labors trying to kill God-given appetites, when the key is not killing the appetite, but how you go about filling them.

Food and sex are two appetites that God created us with. Satisfaction may seem complete for a period of time, but the feeling of satisfaction begins to evaporate, and the appetite begins to speak, and then scream if necessary.

Where do you go when your soul's appetite for fellowship with God screams?

My five year old has been wanting a roommate because she doesn't like the feeling of being by herself. My wife and I tell her, “You're not alone, Jesus is with you.”

“But I want a person Daddy!” Then she makes it a priority to wake us up and spend time with us until that need is met.

Prioritize your spiritual appetites before they prioritize you into sin. God gave us the freewill to choose how we would fill our appetites. The stomach needs food, and soul needs God. Go to God first, and get filled. Why do magazines tell you to never shop in a grocery store when you're hungry? Because you'll tank up on junk food, nine times out of ten, and spend twice as much money right? The same applies spiritually.