

PRIORITIES

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Are Your Priorities Slipping?

1 Kings 16:29-34

Hearing that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, the Pharisees got together. One of them, an expert in the law, tested him with this question: "Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?" Jesus replied: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind." (Matthew 22:34-37)

OUR PRIORITIES ARE SLIPPING WHEN WE _____.

"...Ahab son of Omri became king of Israel, and he reigned in Samaria over Israel twenty-two years. Ahab son of Omri did more evil in the eyes of the Lord than any of those before him. He...considered it trivial to commit the sins of Jeroboam..." (1 Kings 16:29-31)

Three big mistakes you don't want to make:

1. Don't disregard the _____.

"I am the Lord your God ... you shall have no other gods before me." (Exodus 20:2-3)

"Do not set up any wooden Asherah pole beside the altar you build to the Lord your God." (Deuteronomy 16:21)

"...they provoked the Lord to anger by making Asherah poles." (1 Kings 14:15)

2. Don't distort the _____.

"You shall not make for yourself a carved image - any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth." (Exodus 20:4)

"No one has ever seen God. The only One, who is the same as God and is at the Father's side, He has made Him known." (John 1:18 TEV)

"...The king made two golden calves. He said to the people, '...Here are your gods, O Israel.' And this thing became a sin..." (1 Kings 12:28,30)

3. Don't devalue the _____.

"Jeroboam...appointed priests from all sorts of people, even though they were not Levites." (1 Kings 12:31)

"He became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey Him and was designated by God to be high priest..." (Hebrews 5:9-10)

"For there is one God and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus." (1 Timothy 2:5)

"You must not sacrifice the Passover in any town the Lord your God gives you except in the place He will choose as a dwelling for His Name." (Deuteronomy 16:15)

"Christ...offered one sacrifice for sins, an offering that is good forever, and then sat down at the right side of God...With one sacrifice, then, He has made perfect forever those who are clean from sin." (Hebrews 10:12, 14 TEV)