

THE WORD FOR LIFE – SERMON NOTES

THE SIMPLE LIFE #2 Devoting Myself To God By Louie Marsh, 10-10-2010

1) What is the Simple Life?

- It is _____ my life around the 4 D's
- The 4 D's are the _____ of discipleship.
- **This will require** _____

He who heeds discipline shows the way to life, but whoever ignores correction leads others astray. Proverbs 10:17 (NIV)

Have nothing to do with godless myths and old wives' tales; rather, train yourself to be godly. 1 Timothy 4:7 (NIV)

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. Hebrews 12:1 (NIV)

- Sin =
- Everything that Entangles =

2) D¹ – _____ to God

- This is _____

Brothers and sisters, in view of all we have just shared about God's compassion, I encourage you to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, dedicated to God and pleasing to him. This kind of worship is appropriate for you. Romans 12:1 (GW)

Love the Lord your God with all your heart and all your soul, all your mind, and all your strength. Mark 12: 30 (NCV)

God wants me to worship him...

- _____ - with my mind
- _____ - with my heart and soul
- _____ - with my strength

3) **Worship is** _____ **on God.**

the sinful mind is hostile to God. It does not submit to God's law, nor can it do so. Romans 8:7 (NIV)

Focusing on yourself is the opposite of focusing on God. Anyone completely absorbed in self ignores God, and ends up thinking more about self than God. Rom. 8:7 (Msg)

You will keep in perfect peace all who trust in You, whose thoughts are fixed on You! Isa. 26:3 (NLT)

4) **Worship is** _____ **to God's love.**

We love Him, because He first loved us. 1 John 4:19 (KJV)

I want your loyalty, not your sacrifices. I want you to know me, not to give me burnt offerings. Hosea 6:6 (GW)

For you must worship no other gods, but only Jehovah, for he is a God who claims absolute loyalty and exclusive devotion. Exodus 34:14 (TLB)

5) **Worship is** _____ **to God.**

When you bring blind animals for sacrifice, is that not wrong? When you sacrifice crippled or diseased animals, is that not wrong? Try offering them to your governor! Would he be pleased with you? Would he accept you? says the LORD Almighty. Now implore God to be gracious to us. With such offerings from your hands, will he accept you?--says the LORD Almighty. Oh, that one of you would shut the temple doors, so that you would not light useless fires on my altar! I am not pleased with you, says the LORD Almighty, and I will accept no offering from your hands. Malachi 1:8-10 (NIV)

So we make it our goal to please Him... 2 Cor. 5:9 (NIV)