

SETTING YOUR 2022 FOCUS

We must focus on Jesus, the source and goal of our faith. He saw the joy ahead of him, so he endured death on the cross and ignored the disgrace it brought him. Then he received the highest position in heaven, the one next to the throne of God.

Hebrews 12:2 (GW)

Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows.

James 1:17 (NIV)

1. Focus on Faith

"Here's what I want you to do: Find a quiet, secluded place so you won't be tempted to role-play before God. Just be there as simply and honestly as you can manage. The focus will shift from you to God, and you will begin to sense his grace."

Matthew 6:6 (MSG)

Trust in the Lord with all your heart; do not depend on your own understanding. Seek his will in all you do, and he will direct your paths.

Proverbs 3:5-6 (NLT)

2. Focus on Family

Long before he laid down earth's foundations, he had us in mind, had settled on us as the focus of his love, to be made whole and holy by his love.

Ephesians 1:4 (MSG)

The Lord God said, "It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper suitable for him."

Genesis 2:18 (NIV)

3. Focus on Fitness

Focus on your life and your teaching. Continue to do what I've told you. If you do this, you will save yourself and those who hear you.

1 Timothy 4:16 (GW)

Now there are different kinds of spiritual gifts, but it is the same Holy Spirit who is the source of them all. There are different kinds of service in the church, but it is the same Lord we are serving. There are different ways God works in our lives, but it is the same God who does the work through all of us.

1 Corinthians 12:4-6 (NLT)

4. Focus on Finances

Since you were brought back to life with Christ, focus on the things that are above—where Christ holds the highest position.

Colossians 3:1 (GW)

For the love of money is at the root of all kinds of evil. And some people, craving money, have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves with many sorrows.

1 Timothy 6:10 (NLT)

5. Focus on Fellowship

Until I get there, focus on reading the Scriptures to the church, encouraging the believers, and teaching them.

1 Timothy 4:13 (NLT)

And let us not neglect our meeting together, as some people do, but encourage and warn each other, especially now that the day of his coming back again is drawing near.

Hebrews 10:25 (NLT)

So Jesus laid hands on his eyes again. The man looked hard and realized that he had recovered perfect sight, saw everything in bright, twenty-twenty focus.

Mark 8:25 (MSG)