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Now Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus.

John 11:5 (NIV)





Share with the Lord's people who are in need. Practice hospitality.

Romans 12:13 (NIV)





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Life does not automatically arrange itself into proper priorities.

Amidst a thousand other duties we must make sitting at Jesus' feet the "one thing"—the "better" thing—the primary focus of our hearts and lives .

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“I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing.

John 15:5 (NIV)



Love God

Love People

Community



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Busyness sends more
people to hell than
unbelief.

Blaise Pascal

Jesus cares more about me
spending time with Him way more
than how many things I check off
my to do list.

What I do with Jesus is far more
important than what I do for Jesus!



SPENDING TIME WITH JESUS IMPACTS EVERY AREA OF MY LIFE

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“I am the true vine, and my Father is the gardener. He cuts off every branch in me that bears no fruit, while every branch that does bear fruit he prunes so that it will be even more fruitful. You are already clean because of the word I have spoken to you.

John 15:1-8 (NIV)





Remain in me, as I also remain in you. No branch can bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine. Neither can you bear fruit unless you remain in me.

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If you do not remain in me, you are like a branch that is thrown away and withers; such branches are picked up, thrown into the fire and burned.

John 15:1-8 (NIV)





If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. This is to my Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples.

John 15:1-8 (NIV)





Spending time with Jesus
unleashes His power in
your life.



Unless the Lord builds the house, the builders labor in vain.
Unless the Lord watches over the city, the guards stand watch in
vain.

In vain you rise early and stay up late, toiling for food to eat—
for he grants sleep to those he loves.

Psalm 127:1–2 (NIV)



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- Am I so busy doing things for Jesus that I don't take time to spend with Jesus?
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