

3. Schedule time for your **parents**.

“Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long upon the land which the LORD your God is giving you.” Exodus 20:12

C. Big Rock #3: **Job/School**.

“For even when we were with you, we commanded you this: If anyone will not work, neither shall he eat.” II Thessalonians 3:10

D. Big Rock #4: **Ministry**.

“As each one has received a gift, minister it to one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.” I Peter 4:10

E. Big Rock #5: **Self**.

“And He said to them, “Come aside by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while.” For there were many coming and going, and they did not even have time to eat.” Mark 6:31

III. DISCIPLINE YOUR **TIME**

A. Maintain your **balance**.

“And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and men.” Luke 2:52

B. Focus on your **goals**.

“Therefore I run thus: not with uncertainty. Thus I fight: not as one who beats the air.” I Cor 9:26

C. Harmonize your **calendar**.

“So teach us to number our days, That we may gain a heart of wisdom.” Psalm 90:12

HOW DO YOU NEED TO APPLY GOD’S WISDOM TO YOUR MODERN FAMILY?

**MODERN FAMILY
God’s Wisdom For Today’s Families
Modern Family Busyness
Pastor Steve Reynolds**

INTRODUCTION

A. Modern families have major problems! We no longer live in a culture where the majority of homes include two parents with 2.3 kids and a white picket fence. The reality is modern family life is extremely complex, often dysfunctional and very painful. Is there any hope? YES! God has timeless wisdom for today’s families. He knows and cares and wants to help your family thrive.

“And if it seems evil to you to serve the LORD, choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the gods which your fathers served that were on the other side of the River, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you dwell. But as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD.”

Joshua 24:15

B. You’re invited to attend this powerful series on the modern day family. You will discover how to have healthy relationships in whatever family situation whether single, married, kids, empty nester, whatever.

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C. **TEXT:** Daniel 12:4 (Pew Bible/Pg 883/Old Testament)

The information age we live in today has produced a culture of hurry, worry and bury!

MODERN FAMILY BUSYNESS

I. KNOW YOUR PURPOSE

- A. Your purpose in life is to accomplish God's unique will which requires **tailor** making your schedule.

"Therefore do not be unwise, but understand what the will of the Lord" Ephesians 5:17

"For David, after he had served his own generation by the will of God, fell asleep,..." Acts 13:36a

- If you **please** God it doesn't matter who you displease.
- If you **displease** God it doesn't matter who you please.

- B. **Jesus** lived this way.

Jesus knew his purpose for living and He **focused** on His purpose.

"for the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost.." Luke 19:10

"I must work the works of Him who sent Me while it is day; the night is coming when no one can work."

John 9:4

- His **first** words –
"And He said to them, "Why did you seek Me? Did you not know that I must be about My Father's business?" Luke 2:49

- His **last** words –
"...He said, "It is finished!..." John 19:30b

- C. Remember that there is **always** enough time to do God's will. If you "can't get it all done" then it means...

- You are doing things that **God** never intended for you to do.
- You are doing the right things in the **wrong** ways.

II. ESTABLISH YOUR SYSTEM

We must not allow the urgent things of life to crowd out the **most** important. Think in terms of **big** rocks and little rocks.

"Let all things be done decently and in order."

I Corinthians 14:40

- A. Big Rock #1: **God**.

1. Schedule time for **private** worship.

41 And Jesus answered and said to her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and troubled about many things.

42 But one thing is needed, and Mary has chosen that good part, which will not be taken away from her." Luke 10:41-42

2. Schedule time for **public** worship.

"not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching." Hebrews 10:25

- B. Big Rock #2: **Family**.

1. Schedule time for your **spouse**.

"Live joyfully with the wife whom you love..." Ecclesiastes 9:9a

2. Schedule time for your **children**.

"5 You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength.

6 "And these words which I command you today shall be in your heart.

7 You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up." Deut. 6:5-7