

V. BALANCE YOUR HOME WITH RELATIONSHIPS

A. Schedule time with your spouse.

⁹ *“Live joyfully with the wife whom you love...”*
Ecclesiastes 9:9a

B. Schedule time with 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.”*
Deuteronomy 6:5-7

C. Schedule time with your parents.

¹² *“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

VI. BALANCE YOUR HOME WITH SELFCARE

A. Follow the example of Jesus.

³¹ *“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

VII. BALANCE YOUR HOME WITH TIME MANAGEMENT

A. Create a system to order your home.

⁴⁰ *“Let all things be done decently and in order.”*
I Corinthians 14:40

B. Harmonize your calendar to make each day count.

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

WINNING AT HOME

Winning Balance At Home

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Introduction:

A. Homes are not just built. They are WON. The reality is modern family life is extremely complex, often dysfunctional, and very painful. Is there hope? YES! You can win at home through a strong connection to God.

“¹ Unless the LORD builds the house, they labor in vain who build it...” Psalm 127:1

B. We were not created to do life alone. Everyone needs help from time to time. Join us for the Winning At Home Teaching Series and be equipped with six practical skills to strengthen your home.

You will discover how to have healthy relationships in every family situation whether single, married, kids, empty nesters, whatever.

Feb 16	Winning Faith At Home
Feb 23	Winning Communication At Home
Mar 2	Winning Conflict Resolution At Home
Mar 9	Winning Tech At Home
TODAY	Winning Balance At Home
Mar 23	Winning Parenting At Home

C. TEXT: Ecclesiastes 2:17-24

HOW TO WIN BALANCE AT HOME

Winning At Home Skill #5: Developing a balance that fulfills God's will and meets needs.

²⁴ *"Nothing is better for a man than that he should eat and drink, and that his soul should enjoy good in his labor. This also, I saw, was from the hand of God."* Ecclesiastes 2:24

I. BALANCE YOUR HOME WITH WORSHIP

A. Find strength through worship.

³¹ *"But those who wait on the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint."* Isaiah 40:31

B. Be consistent in daily worship and weekly 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

²⁵ *"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

II. BALANCE YOUR HOME WITH SEASONS

A. Realize the season of speed in which we live.

⁴ *"But you, Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book until the time of the end; many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall increase."* Daniel 12:4

B. Realize the season in which you live.

⁵ *"When a man has taken a new wife, he shall not go out to war or be charged with any business; he shall be free at home one year, and bring happiness to his wife whom he has taken."* Deuteronomy 24:5

³² *"But I want you to be without care. He who is unmarried cares for the things of the Lord—how he may please the Lord.*

³³ *But he who is married cares about the things of the world—how he may please his wife.*

I Corinthians 7:32-33

III. BALANCE YOUR HOME WITH GOD'S WILL

A. Your purpose in life is to accomplish God's unique will for your home.

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

B. You have enough time to do God's will.

¹⁶ *"redeeming the time, because the days are evil.*

¹⁷ *Therefore do not be unwise, but understand what the will of the Lord is."* Ephesians 5:16-17

IV. BALANCE YOUR HOME WITH WORK/SCHOOL AND MINISTRY

A. Working hard does not compete with your family, but commitment to your family.

¹⁰ *"For even when we were with you, we commanded you this: If anyone will not work, neither shall he eat."*

II Thessalonians 3:10

⁸ *"But if anyone does not provide for his own, and especially for those of his household, he has denied the faith and is worse than an unbeliever."* I Timothy 5:8

B. Give back using your spiritual gifts for ministry.

¹⁵ *"I urge you, brethren—you know the household of Stephanas, that it is the first fruits of Achaia, and that they have devoted themselves to the ministry of the saints—"*

I Corinthians 16:15