

Beltway Park

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Texts: Song of Songs 8:6-8 (p.673); Matthew 22:34-40 (p.980)

Because of the craziness of our culture, we, more than ever, must be a people who ruthlessly battle not for merely more, but for the very _____.

Christianity, at its core, is really very simple. Radically love God, and radically love people. If we get these correct, and we keep them _____ to our lives, everything else falls into place.

_____ **in our love for God.**

To love God with all our _____ is to focus our _____.

God has focused His attention on each of us. Every moment He knows where we are, what we are doing, what we are thinking. He _____ takes His eyes off of us. (*Ps. 139:1-3*)

The longer we walk in a love relationship, the easier it is to get _____ and take the relationship for granted. So we must be diligent to do things that will focus our attention and express our love.

One practical thing we can do to help keep our attention focused is to engage in songs of _____.

More than we know the music we engage regularly will _____ our heart on that which it portrays. (*Ps. 57:7*)

To love God with all our _____ is to regularly choose to _____.

God could make us do whatever He wants. He created everything. I don't think we are much opposition to His _____.

God is a _____ who knows what is best. He sees the big picture far more than we do, and He wants us to trust Him.
(1 Jn. 5:3-4)

God's love _____ our trust even when we do not understand. His love demands our obedience to Him even when we feel He is wrong.

To love God with all our _____ is to _____ our mind well.

When we love God with all our mind, we are saying that He is truth and only that which He has revealed is ultimately true. What God has said will bring us _____, life, joy and peace.
(Jn. 8:32,36; 14:6)

When we love God with all our mind, then we must make sure we are giving ourselves a steady _____ of the truth of God.
(Jn. 8:32,36; 14:6)

Most of us have a diet of the mind that is made up almost exclusively of _____.

A bad diet produces many bad results in our physical body – weakness, illness, even _____. A bad diet of the mind does the same thing.

When we love God with our mind and focus it on Him, it leads to _____.
(Is. 26:3)

We must expect our love to be _____.

Don't expect that loving God will always be _____. His ways are not our ways. His thoughts are not our thoughts.

Infinitely more than a child misunderstands his parents, so we misunderstand God. But time will show the _____ of God's heart. (Job 2:9-10; 13:15)
