

LIVING LIFE

TRUCK CAMPING VS. BACKPACKING

We experience life by _____ the _____.

Worldly thinking

People live on bread.

Kingdom thinking

People live on the word of God.

Matt. 4:4

Matthew 4:4 But Jesus told [the devil], “No! The Scriptures say, ‘People do not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.’” NLT

John 4:34 “My food,” said Jesus, “is to do the will of him who sent me and to finish his work.” NLT

Don't murder.	Don't get angry.	Matt. 5:21-26
Don't commit adultery.	Don't lust.	Matt. 5:27-30
Divorce on a whim.	Divorce in case of adultery.	Matt. 5:31-32
Honor your vows.	Don't make vows.	Matt. 5:33-37
Take an eye for an eye.	Don't resist an evil person.	Matt. 5:38-42
Love neighbor. Hate enemy.	Love your enemy.	Matt. 5:43-48
I can impress with my giving.	God sees what is done in secret.	Matt. 6:1-4
I can impress with my prayer.	God sees what is done in secret.	Matt. 6:5-15
I can impress with my fasting.	God sees what is done in secret.	Matt. 6:16-18
Store up treasures on earth.	Store up treasures in heaven.	Matt. 6:19-24
You take care of your wealth.	God takes care of you.	Matt. 6:25-34
Judge the lives of others.	Do not judge.	Matt. 7:1-5
God is a reluctant giver.	God is an eager and loving giver.	Matt. 7:7-12
The path of the majority is wise.	Take the narrow road and gate.	Matt. 7:13-14

Matthew 7:13-14 [Jesus said,] “You can enter God's Kingdom only through the narrow gate. The highway to hell is broad, and its gate is wide for the many who choose that way.

¹⁴ But the gateway to life is very narrow and the road is difficult, and only a few ever find it.” NLT

People who look good are good.	Know a tree by its fruit.	Matt. 7:15-23
Religion is for the religious.	Religion is for the sick and sinners.	Matt. 9:12-13
Following God reduces suffering.	Following God brings suffering.	Matt. 10:17-25
Be afraid of how people treat you.	Fear God.	Matt. 10:28
Suffering means God doesn't care.	God cares about you deeply.	Matt. 10:29-31

Matthew 10:29-31 [Jesus said,] “What is the price of two sparrows—one copper coin? But not a single sparrow can fall to the ground without your Father knowing it. ³⁰ And the very hairs on your head are all numbered. ³¹ So don't be afraid; you are more valuable to God than a whole flock of sparrows.” NLT

You get life by saving your life.	You get life by losing your life.	Matt. 10:39
Great things bring great reward.	Small acts of love bring reward.	Matt. 10:40-42
Following God is burdensome.	Jesus brings rest for our souls.	Matt. 10:28-30
Life is found in gaining the world.	Life is found in dying to yourself.	Matt. 16:24-28
Compete with others to be great.	Greatness is found in being childlike.	Matt. 18:1-4
Limited forgiveness is reasonable.	Great forgiveness is the way of God.	Matt. 18:21-25
Our desires drive intimate relationships.	We make choices based on the kingdom.	Matt. 19:10-12
Leaders rule over others.	Leaders are servants and slaves.	Matt. 20:24-28
God wants duty.	God wants love.	Matt. 22:35-40

Matthew 22:35-40 One of them, an expert in religious law, tried to trap him with this question:

³⁶ *“Teacher, which is the most important commandment in the law of Moses?”*

³⁷ *Jesus replied, “‘You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your mind.’ ³⁸ This is the first and greatest commandment. ³⁹ A second is equally important: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’ ⁴⁰ The entire law and all the demands of the prophets are based on these two commandments.” NLT*

Leaders should preach righteousness.	Leaders should practice what they preach.	Matt. 23:1-4
Let people believe what they want.	Preach the message to all nations.	Matt. 28:18-20