

# SEEK FIRST HIS KINGDOM

## HIGH CALLING DISCIPLESHIP 20

### Jesus' Teaching: Seek First His Kingdom

Matthew 6:33 [Jesus said,] "But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well." NIV

### Don't love the world.

John 15:19 [Jesus said,] "If you belonged to the world, it would love you as its own. As it is, you do not belong to the world, but I have chosen you out of the world. That is why the world hates you." NIV

Acts 2:40 With many other words [Peter] warned them; and he pleaded with them, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation." NIV

1 John 2:15 Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, love for the Father is not in them. NIV

Psalms 1:1-2 How blessed is the one who does not follow the advice of the wicked, or stand in the pathway with sinners, or sit in the assembly of scoffers.  
<sup>2</sup> Instead he finds pleasure in obeying the Lord's commands; he meditates on his commands day and night. NET

### Enjoy the worldly good God gives you.

You don't have to live in a cave and feel guilty anytime something makes you smile.

Acts 14:17 [Paul and Barnabas explained,] "Yet [God] has not left himself without testimony: He has shown kindness by giving you rain from heaven and crops in their seasons; he provides you with plenty of food and fills your hearts with joy." NIV

1 Timothy 6:17-19 Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. <sup>18</sup> Command them to do good, to be rich in good deeds, and to be generous and willing to share. <sup>19</sup> In this way they will lay up treasure for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age, so that they may take hold of the life that is truly life. NIV

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Acts 1:3 After his suffering, [Jesus] presented himself to them and gave many convincing proofs that he was alive. He appeared to them over a period of forty days and spoke about the kingdom of God. NIV

Acts 28:31 [Paul] proclaimed the kingdom of God and taught about the Lord Jesus Christ—with all boldness and without hindrance! NIV

1 Corinthians 7:29-31 What I mean, brothers and sisters, is that the time is short. From now on those who have wives should live as if they do not; <sup>30</sup> those who mourn, as if they did not; those who are happy, as if they were not; those who buy something, as if it were not theirs to keep; <sup>31</sup> those who use the things of the world, as if not engrossed in them. For this world in its present form is passing away. NIV