

**God Doesn't Hate You
He Hates Everything That Hurts You**

A Wasted Life Is....

A Life Lived _____

*Watch out! Be on guard against all kinds of greed; life does not consist in the abundance of possessions. **Luke 12:15***

The one who has the most at the end of it is not the winner, Jesus said. As a matter of fact they've lost because they've lost the chance to live the life God created them to live. So it's not just living for stuff.

A Life Lived _____

*Selfishness is not God's wisdom. Such things are earthly and unspiritual. **James 3:15***

A Life Lived _____

*God hates hearts that plot evil and constantly stir up trouble ... lying tongues, hands that kill the innocent, feet that race to do wrong, a false witness who pours out lies and a person who sows discord. **Proverbs 6:14-19***

To Live A Purposeful Life ...

The confession of bad works is the beginning of good works. Saint Augustine

*If only you would prepare your heart and lift up your hands to him in prayer! Get rid of your sins and leave your iniquity behind you then your face will brighten in innocence. You'll be strong and free of fear. You will forget your misery. It will all be gone like water under the bridge. **Job 11:13***

*Joshua told the people, 'Purify yourselves, for tomorrow the Lord will do great wonders among you. **Joshua 3:5***

*If we confess our sins to God, He will keep His promise ... He will forgive our sins and purify us from all our wrongdoing. **1 John 1:9***

*If you keep yourself pure you will be a utensil that God can use for his purpose. Your life will be and you will be ready for the Master to use you for every good work. **2 Timothy 2:21***

*Do not let any part of your body become a tool of wickedness, to be used for sinning. Instead, give yourselves completely to God since you have been given new life. And use your whole body as a tool to do what is right for the glory of God. **Romans 6:13***

*Don't you know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit who lives in you and was given to you by God? You do not belong to yourself, for God bought you with a high price. So you must honor God with your body. **1 Corinthians 6:19***

*Whatever you eat or drink or whatever you do you must do it all for the glory of God. **1 Corinthians 10:31***

*You made my body, Lord; now give me sense to heed your laws. **Psalms 119:73***

*The grace of God that brings salvation and has appeared to all men teaches us to say, 'No' to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives. **Titus 2:11-12***

Make A Plan

*Teach us to number our days aright, that we may gain a heart of wisdom. **Psalms 90:12***

I schedule so I am using the maximum amount of time on the things that matter most in life and the minimum amount of time on things that don't matter.

Be Ruthless With Distractions.

*Like a runner I must stay free. **Hebrews 12:1***

*According to your faith it will be done to you. **Matthew 9:29***

*Faith comes by hearing and hearing by the word of Christ. **Romans 10:17***

*Spend your time and energy in the exercise of keeping spiritually fit. **1 Timothy 4:7***

God always gives His best to those who want Him most.

*The eyes of the Lord search throughout the earth to strengthen those whose hearts are fully committed to Him. **2 Chronicles 16:9***

Dear Lord,

I know you hate a wasted life. So right now I give you my life, my past, my future, my hopes, my dreams. I don't want to waste my life. I give you my heart, all of it. There are parts of it I know need cleaning, purifying. There are attitudes that need to change, hurts and anger that need cleaned out, desires that need washed and made new.

I give you my body. I dedicate it for your work. Forgive any unhealthy patterns and habits that hurt my body. Forgive all the times I've used this body for selfish purposes or activity that wouldn't be pleasing to You. I ask for your help to care for my body so that I may serve You faithfully and well.

I give you my schedule. Help me to set the right priorities. Give me your wisdom to say 'yes' to what matters most and 'no' to what matters less. Help me not to waste time, but to use time for doing Your good work in the world.

And I ask you to grow my faith. Teach me to trust You and obey You, even before I know how everything will turn out. Teach me to follow You wherever You lead and to do whatever You want me to do.

And Lord, keep my passion for You hot. Renew my strength and desire for You. I want Your blessings. I want my life to count for You. I want You to work through my life.

And I pray all this in Jesus' name. Amen.