



No one lives a truly Christian life without purpose. Our Lord set the standard very high: "Whosoever will come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me." [Mark 8:34] That is the absolute standard our Lord gave. Salvation saves us from sin and brings us to serving the Lord with our heart, mind, and strength. He always comes first. He tolerates no rivals.

Matthew Henry writes, "We have everyone of us a charge to keep, an eternal God to glorify, an immortal soul to provide for, needful duty to be done, our generation to serve; and it must be our daily care to keep this charge, for it is the charge of the Lord our Master." [M. Henry, commentary notes on Lev. 8:35]

Mathew 6:33 admonishes to "Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you." While a schedule and a spiritual "to do" list does not make one godly, failure to plan is a plan for failure. So how do we put this into practice?

1. Seek the face of the Lord early each day upon rising. The "morning watch" enables us to gather manna for the soul and the duties of the day.

2. Read consecutively through the Word. "Line upon line, precept upon precept" is a simple, logical plan. Reading a Proverb coinciding with the date has been an invaluable practice to countless people. If the goal is to read the Bible each year, five chapters a day will help accomplish this.

3. Pour out your heart before the Lord. Begin with praise [for His attributes, His person, His works, His blessings], asking for His will to be shown and done in all things.

4. Ask the Holy Spirit to reveal all sin. [Ps. 139:23-24] Also ask these: Have I wronged anyone? Is restitution needed? Is any lust present? Am I regarding sin? [Psalm 66:18] Am I practicing presumptuous sin? [Psalm 19:13]

5. Ask the Lord to reveal His will in every area of life—decisions, direction, expenses. [Rom 12:2]

6. Ask the Lord to reveal any lies you may be believing. The Lord deals only in truth since He is the Truth, and His Word is truth. "Ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall set you free." [John 8:32, II Cor. 10:3-6]

7. Intercede for your family. In this, we can follow Job's example: "...and he rose up early in the morning and offered burnt offerings according to the number of them all. For Job said, 'It may be that my sons have sinned...'" [Job 1:5]

8. Meditate upon what you have read. [Psalm 1, Joshua 1]

9. Put into practice what you learn, as you have the opportunity. "As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith." [Gal. 6:10, Ecc. 9:10]

This is a life-long pursuit that will be ended only when we awake in His likeness.

## TOO GREAT FOR THEE

*Amy Carmichael*

*An angel touched me, and he said to me,  
"The journey, pilgrim, is too great for thee,  
But rise and eat and drink;  
Thy food is here, the Bread of Life,  
Thy cruse of water clear,  
Drawn from the brook that doth as yesterday  
Flow by the way.*

*And thou shall go in strength of that pure food,  
Made thine by virtue of the sacred rood, [cross]  
Unto the mount of God,  
Where thy Lord's face shall shine on thee,  
On thee in thy low place,  
Down at His feet, who was thy strength and stay  
Through all the way."*

*O cake of Bread baked on coals of fire,  
Sharp fires of pain;  
O Water turned to wine, the wood is true,  
This food is daily mine.  
Then never can the journey be  
Too great for me.*

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Your servant,  
Chris Lamb

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*Point of View* co-host, Penna Dexter, frequently sits in as guest host for Kerby Anderson. Penna's heart is in educating and encouraging Christians to influence the culture and politics. She has also served as co-host and commentator on other local issues-based radio programs. She worked as a consultant overseeing the launch and production of the Family Research Council's nationally syndicated radio program, *Washington Watch Weekly*. Penna's interest in conservative politics and the issues that affect the family began when she was a child working on political campaigns with her parents. She graduated from the University of Southern California with a degree in international relations and also spent eight years in the banking industry. Penna recently served a term on the Ethics and Religious Liberty Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention and serves on the executive advisory board for Golden Corridor Republican Women's Club in Dallas, Texas. She and her husband, Todd, have three children and seven grandchildren.

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