



Father's Day 2024: The Priorities of Action Dads

Action Dads Prioritize:

- _____ over task.

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Matthew 22:36-38 (NLT)

- _____ over performance.

“And what do you benefit if you gain the whole world but lose your own soul? Is anything worth more than your soul?”

Matthew 16:26 (NLT)

- _____ over protection.

And Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man.

Luke 2:52 (NIV)

- _____ over perfection.

*Teach us to number our days,
that we may gain a heart of wisdom.*

Psalms 90:12 (NIV)

*Trust in the LORD with all your heart;
do not depend on your own understanding.
Seek his will in all you do,
and he will show you which path to take.*

Proverbs 3:5-6 (NLT)

Discussion Questions

1. Reflect on a time when you prioritized a task over a relationship. How did that affect your connection with the person involved?
2. Consider the message in Matthew 16:26 about the value of one's soul over worldly gains. How do you balance the pursuit of success while maintaining integrity and strong moral character in your daily life?
3. How can you apply this idea of growing in wisdom and favor to your role as a parent or mentor, focusing on preparing your children or mentees for life rather than overprotecting them? What are some practical ways to foster their growth in wisdom and character?
4. How do you practice being fully present with your family or loved ones despite the pressures to be perfect? Share an experience where being present made a significant difference in your relationships.

Recommended Resources

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