

3. There are Benefits when God's Word is My Top Priority.

Proverbs 4:22 (NKJV) For they are **life to those who find them**, And **health to all their flesh**.

Hebrews 4:12 (NKJV) For **the word of God is living and powerful**, and **sharper** than any two-edged sword, piercing even to **the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow**, and is a **discerner of the thoughts and intents** of the heart.

John 6:63 (NKJV) It is the **Spirit who gives life**; the flesh profits nothing. **The words that I speak to you are spirit, and they are life**.

Psalms 107:20 (NKJV): "**He sent His word and healed them, and delivered them** from their destructions."

Isaiah 55:11 (NKJV): "**So shall My word be** that goes forth from My mouth; **it shall not return to Me void**, but **it shall accomplish** what I please, and **it shall prosper in the thing for which I sent it**."

Jeremiah 1:12 (NKJV): "Then the Lord said to me, 'You have seen well, for **I am ready to perform My word**.'"

4. I Am the Gatekeeper of My Heart.

Proverbs 4:23 (NKJV) **Keep** your heart with all **diligence**, For **out of it spring the issues of life**.

Proverbs 23:7 (NKJV) For as a man thinks in his heart, so is he.

Philippians 4:6 (NKJV) **Be anxious for nothing**, but in **everything** by **prayer and supplication**, with **thanksgiving**, **let your requests be made known** to God;

Philippians 4:7 (NKJV) and **the peace of God**, which **surpasses all understanding**, will **guard your hearts and minds** through Christ Jesus.

5. I Must Cultivate Integrity in My Speech

Proverbs 4:24 (NKJV) **Put away from you** a deceitful mouth, And **put perverse lips far from you**.

Hebrews 3:1 (NKJV) Therefore, holy brethren, partakers of the heavenly calling, consider the **Apostle and High Priest of our confession (agreement)**, **Christ Jesus**,

Matthew 12:34 (NKJV) ...For **out of the abundance** of the heart the **mouth speaks**.

Matthew 12:35 (NKJV) A **good man out of the good treasure** of his heart **brings forth good things**, and an evil man out of the evil treasure brings forth evil things.

Matthew 12:36 (NKJV) But I say to you that for **every idle word men may speak**, they will give account of it in the day of judgment.

Matthew 12:37 (NKJV) For **by your words** you will be **justified**, and **by your words** you will be **condemned**."

6. Get Focused and Stay Focused

Proverbs 4:25 (NKJV) Let your eyes **look straight ahead**, And your **eyelids look right before you**.

Joshua 1:8 (NKJV) **This Book** of the Law **shall not depart from your mouth**, but you shall **meditate in it day and night**, that **you may observe to do** according to all that is written in it. For then **you will make** your way prosperous, and then **you will have** good success.

Hebrews 12:1 (NKJV) Therefore we also, **since we are surrounded** by so great a cloud of witnesses, **let us lay aside** every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and **let us run with endurance** the race that is set before us,

Hebrews 12:2 (NKJV) **looking unto Jesus**, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.
