

# Distractions of Life

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1. \_\_\_\_\_ is not a new pandemic.
2. The distraction of the \_\_\_\_\_ too often undermines the \_\_\_\_\_.
3. When you don’t attend to the urgent, \_\_\_\_\_ always follows.
4. If you don’t prioritize the \_\_\_\_\_, the \_\_\_\_\_, won’t get done.

## Questions to Ponder and Act Upon

What’s the main thing I want to accomplish with what’s left of my life?

What’s getting in the way of accomplishing that?

What do you need to STOP doing to accomplish the important?

## Additional Notes

# Digging Deeper and Going Further

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1. Why do you think Martha invited Jesus and his followers to stay with them?

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2. When Martha made the invitation, what do you think were her obligations as a host?

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3. Why do you think Mary opted out of helping Martha with her preparations?

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4. What do you think Jesus might have been teaching about that made Mary so attentive?

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5. Why do you think Martha complained to Mary instead of talking with her directly?

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6. Jesus pointed out that Martha was worried and upset about many things. What things do you think she might have been worried and upset about?

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7. Why do you think Jesus said that Mary had made the better choice?

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8. What is getting in the way of you accomplishing the important things in your life?

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