

“Why do I have three Super Bowl rings and still think there’s something greater out there for me? I mean, maybe a lot of people would say, ‘Hey man, this is what is.’ I reached my goal, my dream, my life. I think, ‘God, it’s got to be more than this.’ I mean this isn’t, this can’t be what it’s all cracked up to be ... I love playing football and I love being quarterback for this team. But at the same time, I think there are a lot of other parts about me that I’m trying to find.”

Tom Brady (60 minutes interview, 2009)

" I know all these things are supposed to seem important to us — the car, the condo, our versions of success — but if that's the case, why is the general feeling out there reflecting more impotence and isolation and desperation and loneliness?" If you ask me, I say, "Toss all this, we gotta find something else." ...I don't have those answers yet. The emphasis now is on success and personal gain. I'm sitting in it, and I'm telling you, that's not it. Whether you want to listen to me or not — and I say that to the reader — that's not it.

Brad Pitt

A Sense of Purpose



And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose.

Romans 8:28

A Sense of Purpose: Hebrews 12:1-3



➤ Stay Simple.

- *“Lay aside every weight and the sin which so easily ensnares us” (Heb. 12:1)*
- *All things are lawful for me, but not all things are helpful; all things are lawful for me, but not all things edify. (1 Cor. 10:23)*

Don't Forget To
Turn Cell Phone
on when leaving
Church
Building

A Sense of Purpose: Hebrews 12:1-3



➤ Stay Simple.

➤ Be Patient.

- *“Let us run with endurance the race that is set before us” (Heb. 12:1)*
- *And you He made alive, who were dead in trespasses and sins, ² in which you once walked according to the course of this world (Eph. 2:1-2)*
- *And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God (Rom. 12:1-2)*

A Sense of Purpose: Hebrews 12:1-3



- Stay Simple.
- Be Patient.
- Stay Focused.
 - Who do we “follow” most?
 - *This hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and steadfast, and which enters the Presence behind the veil, ²⁰ where the forerunner has entered for us, even Jesus (Heb. 6:19-20)*

A Sense of Purpose: Hebrews 12:1-3



- Stay Simple.
- Be Patient.
- Stay Focused.
- Don't Stop.

- Jesus is *“author and finisher of our faith”* (Heb. 12:2)
- Don't *“become weary and discouraged in your souls”*! (Heb. 12:3)