

“All the best”

My Best Sermon

Best...

- Fruits, Gn.43:11
- Egypt, Gn.45:18
- Soldiers, 2 Sm.10:9
- Friends, Pro.16:28
- Places / seats, Mt.23:6

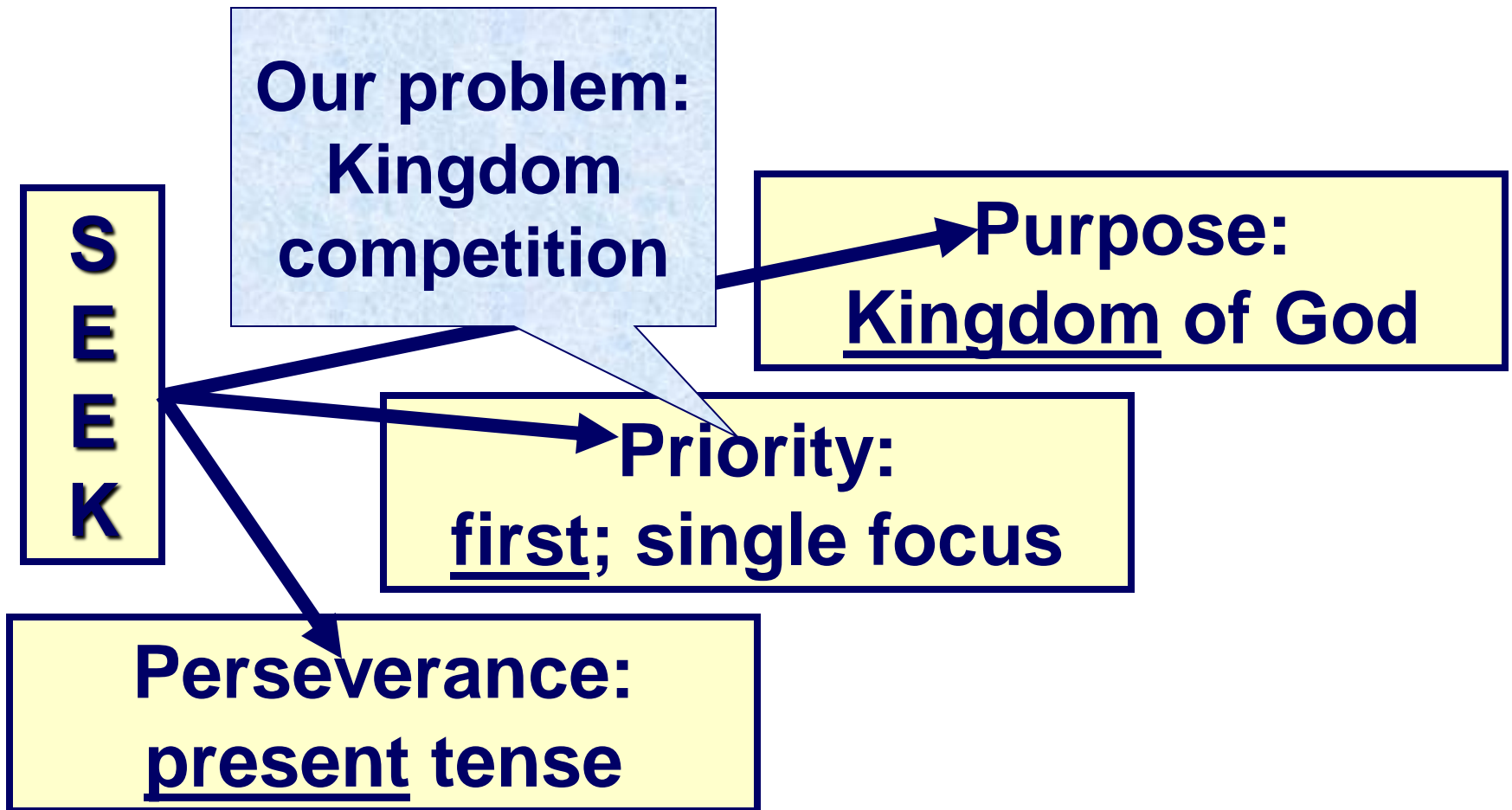
Best
synonyms

Best
examples

**I. Does The Bible Teach Us
To Give God Our Best?**

Matthew 6:33

- *But* contrasts believers with Gentiles



Matthew 22:34-40

- Jews counted 613 laws
 - Jesus focused on 2
- Jews debated the subject
 - Jesus practiced it

Romans 12:1

Romans 1-11:
what?

Romans 12-16:
so what?

Romans 2:1,
condemnation

Romans 8:1,
confirmation

'THEREFORE'

Romans 5:1,
justification

Romans 12:1,
dedication

**'Consecration is handing God a blank sheet to fill in
with your name signed at the bottom'**

2 Corinthians 8:1-5

- Gift's value determined by sacrifice, not amount of money (Mk.12)
 - ▶ First: above all, especially. Lk.15:22
 - ▶ Gave themselves

“The sacrifices of the new order do not consist in taking the lives of others, like the ancient animal sacrifices, but in giving one's own”

Ephesians 6:5-6

- 5: *fear, trembling*: work reflects on Lord
- 5: *sincerity*: opposite of eye-service (6)
- 5: *as to Christ*: the best workers
- 6: *doing will of God from the heart*

If you would not do second-rate work for Christ, then don't offer this kind of work to your boss

Colossians 1:18

- Be first, hold the first place – Th.

my heart shall be Thy throne...

– Living For Jesus

2 Timothy 2:15

- Be diligent – NKJV; Do your best – ESV
- To be especially conscientious in discharging an obligation, *be zealous / eager, take pains, make every effort...*

It is not enough to do your best;
you must know what to do, and
then do your best – Deming

Revelation 5

- God's standard: He gave His best for us
- Rv.5:6 –

**'Lamb slain' –
Perfect love**

**'Seven horns' –
Perfect power**

**'Seven eyes' –
Perfect wisdom**

I. Does The Bible Teach Us To Give God Our Best?

**II. How Do We Give
God Our Best?**

1. Worship

2 Sam.24

- Biblical instruction:
 - ¹work (Ec.12)
 - ²know audience (Ac.8)
 - ³growth (Ac.8)
- Singing: ¹edify; ²improve; ³study
- Clothes: Ja.2
- Active participation: Ezk.33

1. Worship

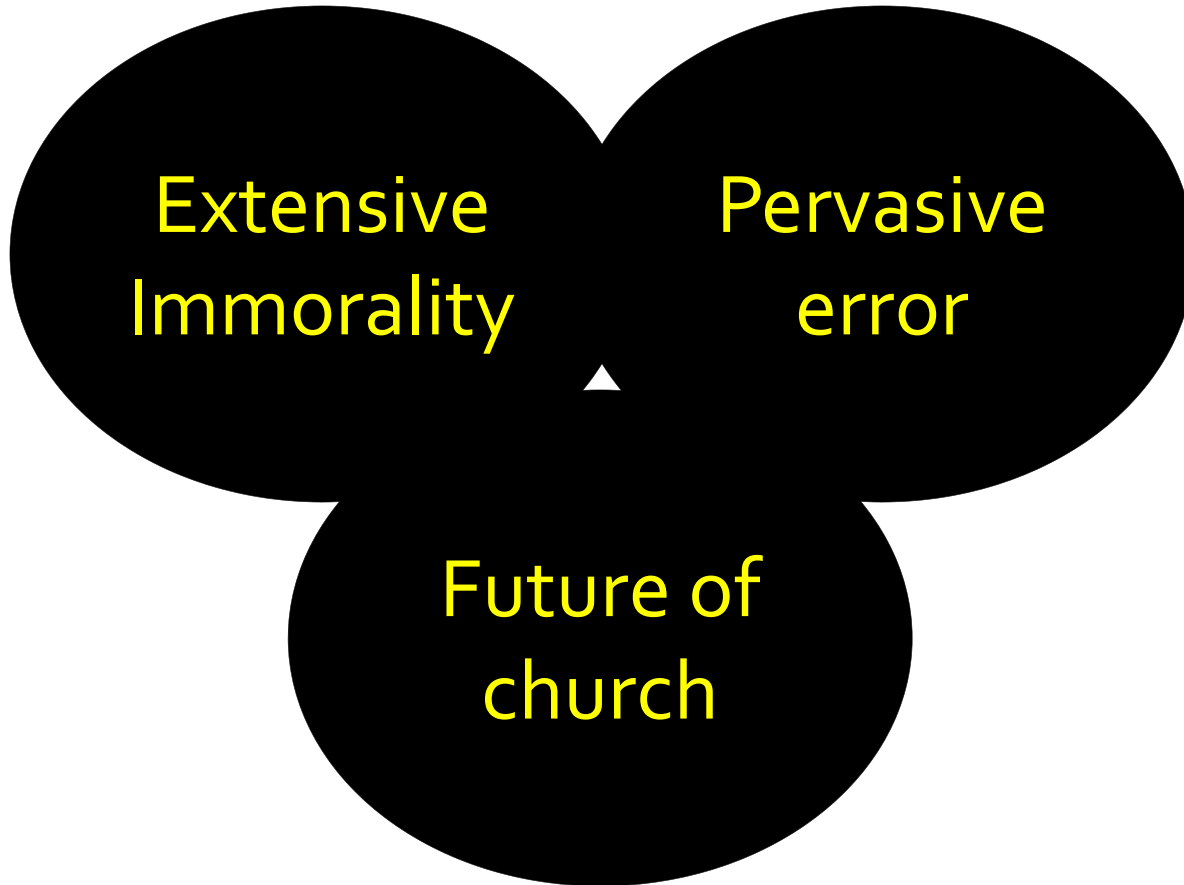
2. Family

Eph.5-6

Extensive
Immorality

Pervasive
error

Future of
church



1. Worship

2. Family

3. Work

Col.1:10

- Cut?
- Clean?
- Invite?
- Visit?
- Help?

"I know your works, love, service, faith, and your patience; and as for your works, the last are more than the first" – Rv.2:19

1. Worship
2. Family
3. Work

4. Personal Relationships

James 2:12-13

- James 3:9-12 'CHEAP SHOTS'
- James 5:9 [a step beyond 4:11]

Express discontent, complain strongly
'Do not moan and complain against'
A Christian??