

CREATING MARGIN

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INTRODUCTION

The less the margin, the greater the stress (and vice versa)

KEY POINT: Managing margin makes life for meaningful

- **Distractions enhance drift**

We have a tendency to drift in life...lose focus on the important
Focus off the important and onto the immediate

- **Demands diminish devotion**

Busyness burns emotional energy: Stewing then spewing
Demands make us demanding

- **Decisions impact destiny**

What we choose impacts what we experience
Learning to choose the better

When I say "yes" to something I am saying "no" to something else
(and vice versa)

Simplifying Life: creating margin

1. Prioritize

What's important? What's my purpose? How am I going to demonstrate it?

2. Plan

Being intentional – living with purpose
Time: putting the big things down first
Finances: giving and saving first

3. Process

Learning to filter the things in our lives

4. Practice

Being present and purposeful

CONCLUSION

Bringing Jesus to the center

Begin to deleverage our lives: create some margin to live more meaningfully

RESPONSE: Lord, help me create margin to live better