

10 Commitments

1. I will move slowly // WISDOM IN TIMING

A simple man believes everything, but the prudent man carefully considers his ways. A wise man fears, and shuns evil, but the fool is hot-headed and reckless. (PROV 14:15-16)

2. I will regularly check my motives & evaluate my heart // GOD'S PEOPLE NOT MY SUCCESS

Leaders who know their business and care keep a sharp eye out for the shoddy and cheap, for who amongst us can be trusted to be always diligent and honest?

For who amongst us can be trusted to be always diligent and honest? Switching price tags and padding the expense account are two things GOD hates. Young people eventually reveal by their actions if their motives are on the up and up. Ears that hear and eyes that see – we get our basic equipment from GOD! (PROV 20:8-12 MSG)

3. I will steer clear of the numbers game //

If a man has a hundred sheep and one of them wanders away, what will he do? Won't he leave the ninety-nine others on the hills and go out to search for the one that is lost? (MATT 18:12 NLT)

4. I will not criticise the past //

No, dear brothers and sisters, I have not achieved it, but I focus on this one thing: Forgetting the past and looking forward to what lies ahead. (PHIL 3:13 NLT)

5. I will avoid the comparison trap // APPROVAL FROM OTHERS

Pay careful attention to your own work, for then you will get the satisfaction of a job well done, and you won't need to compare yourself to anyone else. (GAL 6:4 NLT)

6. I will focus on priorities // KNOW WHEN TO SAY NO!

Teacher, which is the most important commandment in the law of Moses?" Jesus replied, "You must love the LORD your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your mind.' This is the first and greatest commandment. A second is equally important: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' The entire law and all the demands of the prophets are based on these two commandments (MATT 22:36-40 NLT)

7. I will pace myself // PERSONAL HEALTH

Patient endurance is what you need now, so that you will continue to do God's will. Then you will receive all that he has promised.

(HEB 10:36 NLT)

8. I will serve //

But among you it is quite different. Anyone wanting to be a leader among you must be your servant. And if you want to be right at the top, you must serve like a slave. Your attitude must be like my own, for I, the Messiah, did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give my life as a ransom for many. (MATT 20:26-28 LB)

9. I will be a learner //

Get wisdom; develop good judgment. Don't forget my words or turn away from them. Don't turn your back on wisdom, for she will protect you. Love her, and she will guard you. (PROV 4:5-6 NLT)

10. I will pursue contentment //

YOU ARE WHERE GOD WANTS YOU TO BE. SIT STILL & WORK WHERE YOU ARE

I am not telling you this because I need anything. I have learned to be satisfied with the things I have and with everything that happens.

(PHIL 4:11 NCV)

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