

Put First Things First Reflection Questions 1/1/2023

1. What are some resolutions or goals that are common for a new year? Were there any goals that you had last year that were met with resistance? Were there any goals that were fairly successful?
2. In Luke 4:19, Jesus proclaimed “the year of the Lord’s favor”. How does this statement relate to us today, if at all?
3. Did any of these characteristics of favor resonate with you?
 - Increased influence
 - Supernatural turnarounds
 - Limitations broken
 - Dreams awakened
 - Missed opportunities redeemed
4. What did think of this statement, “We cannot earn favor with God but we can position ourselves in such a way to receive it”?
5. How can you practically apply putting “first things first” regarding:
 - Giving God the first day of your week
 - Giving God the first of your income
 - Giving God the first hour of your day
6. The Old Testament teaches the principle that the first portion of something carries a “redemptive portion”. In other words, when that first portion is given to the Lord, it places a blessing on the remainder. Do you believe that principle still has meaning for us today?
7. What did you think of this quote from CS Lewis: “When first things are put first, second things are not suppressed but increased”?
8. What are some other area’s in your life where you could put God first in 2023?