



“Mythbusters” Part 5
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Review Previous Myths:

- “There are many roads leading to heaven.”
- “Myths about God”
- “The Bible is not to be taken literally.”
- “Christianity Doesn’t Care.”

II Timothy 4:2-4 (NLT)

Preach the word of God. Be persistent, whether the time is favorable or not. Patiently correct, rebuke, and encourage your people with good teaching. 3 For a time is coming when people will no longer listen to right teaching. They will follow their own desires and will look for teachers who will tell them whatever they want to hear. 4 They will reject the truth and follow strange myths.

Myth: God’s Priority is My Happiness

*** Important Question: Ultimately, What does God want _____ ?**

Philippians 4:12-13 (NIV)

I know what it is to be in need, and I know what it is to have plenty. I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. 13 I can do everything through him who gives me strength.

1. God’s priority is my _____.

Proverbs 4:23 (NLT) *Above all else, guard your heart, for it affects everything you do.*

Deut. 30:6 (NLT) *"The LORD your God will cleanse your heart and the hearts of all your descendants so that you will love him with all your heart and soul, and so you may live!"*

2. God’s priority is my _____.

Romans 5:3-4 (NIV) *Not only so, but we also rejoice in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; 4 perseverance, character; and character, hope.*

3. God’s priority is my _____.

John 17:11-12a (NIV) *I will remain in the world no longer, but they are still in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them by the power of your name—the name you gave me—so that they may be one as we are one. 12 While I was with them, I protected them and kept them safe...*

4. God’s priority is my _____.

Acts 20:24 (NLT) *But my life is worth nothing unless I use it for doing the work assigned me by the Lord Jesus — the work of telling others the Good News about God's wonderful kindness and love.*

5. God’s priority is my _____ with _____.

John 10:14, 27a (NLT) *"I am the good shepherd; I know my own sheep, and they know me." 27 My sheep recognize my voice;*

Rev. 3:20 (NLT) *"Look! Here I stand at the door and knock. If you hear me calling and open the door, I will come in, and we will share a meal as friends. "*

- Personal Action Steps**
- How would I describe Paul’s instruction to Timothy in II Timothy 4:1-4?
 - Which of these “priorities” do I presently need God’s help with?
 - How would I answer the “important question”?