SIMPLIFICATION BY GOD'S STANDARDS

Somer Phoebus

All quotes are from Somer Phoebus unless otherwise noted.

"What's happening in the world is happening, but we can't fix it with the world's standards, but with God's."

"Contentment is something we have to decide to have because we have Jesus."

"We have to answer the problem by going to the root problem and answering it with God's standards."

"All the clutter and stuff are distractions. This is where our eyes are. And we have the ability to move our eyeballs from the distractions." #MoveYourEyeballs

Just move your eyes from the "stuff" to Jesus. If we can do that, there will be a difference in the peace in our lives.

Sin and stuff have similarities.

Stuff never feels good long term. What once was joy for us becomes stressful. We don't want it long term. Stuff requires more energy and more attention.

Stuff will never satisfy because only God can satisfy.

Sin and stuff will never satisfy.

Stuff and sin separate us from God.

The Rich Young Ruler: Luke 18:18-27

Jesus won't compete with your stuff. He loves you too much!

And because He is God, He shouldn't have to compete with our stuff.

We minimize God to be something like us, except He is so much bigger. There isn't a lot in common.

The rich young ruler was told that he had to get rid of all of his stuff in order to truly follow God.

Are we willing to make this sacrifice? If I ever get to a place where my stuff is more important than my Savior, it's time to change.

Jesus was exposing the idols in the rich young ruler's life.

SHEWORKSHISWAY.COM | PAGE 1

SIMPLIFICATION BY GOD'S STANDARDS

Somer Phoebus

All quotes are from Somer Phoebus unless otherwise noted.

Jesus won't compete with your stuff! He loves you too much!

Be careful falling into the mindset that we deserve stuff, we don't deserve anything

When God asks you for something it can expose the idols in your heart - be ready

Greed keeps us from freedom - the RYR's stuff kept him from following Jesus.

Creating your own life by design will never be as good as accepting God's design for your life.

Preparation for your future is fine but don't bank on it happening a certain way

Self Reliance will keep you from going all in with Jesus

Our desire for stuff can be just as dangerous having all the stuff - check your desires!

Desire check: What gets more of your energy? Spiritual goals or financial goals?

Quit managing your life and steward it. Managing implies we are in control, stewardship means we know it's not ours.

A believer must have knowledge + devotion, it can't just be knowledge and without knowledge you wont know what devotion looks like

The RYR walked away sad, Zacchaeus walked away changed

We have to live our life in such a way that we're always ready to give it all up

God says, Greed keeps us from freedom every time. The world says, greed delivers freedom.

Trying to design your own life is going to get you in trouble because your design may not align with His.

Having less stuff doesn't mean we don't plan (retirement, goals etc.)

The freedom we have in Christ is worth so much more than any treasure we keep on earth.

Self-reliance will keep you from going all in with Jesus.

SHEWORKSHISWAY.COM | PAGE 2

SIMPLIFICATION BY GOD'S STANDARDS

Somer Phoebus

All quotes are from Somer Phoebus unless otherwise noted.

When we give our all to Jesus, He takes care of everything. He is in control of it all.

We should love God and in the process, we will do what He wants us to do.

The desire of stuff is just as dangerous as having stuff. So we can't just look at our stuff; we must check our desires.

"Is what gets more of my energy financial goals or spiritual goals?"

Do you say yes or no to things based on your paycheck?

God does not have plans for all of us to have lots of stuff or be wealthy.

God's plan for your life is what matters, not your plan.

Simplification by god's standards tells us that all we have belongs to the Lord.

Clutter and distractions start in our heart when we forget that all we have is from the Lord.

As believers, we have to have both knowledge + devotion.

We need to stop managing our lives and steward them instead.

Luke 19:1-10— Zacchaeus' story- a chapter after the rick young ruler.

What's impossible with man is possible with God.

The message in Luke is a warning and encouragement that we can give it all up for God.

Bottom line: we have to be willing to give it ALL up.

SHEWORKSHISWAY.COM | PAGE 3