

# Choosing Important Over Urgent

## 1. There are many good things to do in this world.

*As Jesus and the disciples continued on their way to Jerusalem, they came to a certain village where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. Her sister, Mary, sat at the Lord's feet, listening to what he taught.*

Luke 10:38-39 NLT

## 2. Things that seem good and urgent can distract us from the best.

*But Martha was distracted by the big dinner she was preparing.*

Luke 10:40 NLT

## 3. Avoid a complaining mentality.

*She came to Jesus and said, "Lord, doesn't it seem unfair to you that my sister just sits here while I do all the work?"*

Luke 10:40 NLT

## 4. Avoid getting sucked into someone else's hurricane.

*"Tell her to come and help me."*

Luke 10:40 NLT

## 5. Choose to pursue the best goals, based on the right values.

*The Lord answered, "Martha, Martha! You are worried and upset about so many things, but only one thing is necessary. Mary has chosen what is best, and it will not be taken away from her."*

Luke 10:41-42 CEV

*I once thought these things were important, but now I consider them worthless because of what Christ has done.*

Philippians 3:7 NLT

*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, I press on to reach the end of the race...*

Philippians 3:13-14 NLT