

Staying in Alignment with God

Matthew 6:33

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Our text, Matthew 6:33 (NKJV) says, “Seek FIRST the kingdom of God and His righteousness; and all these other things shall be added unto you.”

1 Thessalonians 5:23 (NKJV) - Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you completely; and may your whole spirit, soul, and body be preserved blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. You need to notice this order or alignment.

1. No Hunger for Spiritual Things.

2. Alignment of Relationships.

Matthew 5:23-24 - ²³ Therefore if you bring your gift to the altar, and there remember that your brother has something against you,²⁴ leave your gift there before the altar, and go your way. First be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift.

3. Alignment of Authority.

Matthew 12:29-30 - ²⁹ Or how can one enter a strong man's house and plunder his goods, unless he first binds the strong man? And then he will plunder his house. ³⁰ He who is not with Me is against Me, and he who does not gather with Me scatters abroad.

Matthew 28:18 – All authority has been given to me in heaven and on earth.

4. Alignment of Your Heart

Matthew 22:36-38 - ³⁶ “Teacher, which *is* the great commandment in the law?”
³⁷ Jesus said to him, “‘You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.’ ³⁸ This is *the* first and great commandment.

5. Alignment of Your Inner World.

Matthew 23:25-26 - ²⁵ “Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you cleanse the outside of the cup and dish, but inside they are full of extortion

and self-indulgence. ²⁶ Blind Pharisee, first cleanse the inside of the cup and dish, that the outside of them may be clean also.

6. Alignment With the Body of Christ.

7. Alignment of Your Money.

Malachi 3:10-11

¹⁰ Bring all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be food in My house, and try Me now in this,” Says the Lord of hosts, “If I will not open for you the windows of heaven and pour out for you *such* blessing that *there will not be room enough to receive it*. ¹¹ “And I will rebuke the devourer for your sakes, so that he will not destroy the fruit of your ground, nor shall the vine fail to bear fruit for you in the field,”