

"Wild Goose Chase – Cage of Routine Pt 2 of 2 LifeText: John 3:8"

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MARGIN - defined as "the _____ between our load and our limits. It's the _____ room we all need in our lives. It's the _____ between where you are on your rope, and the end of your rope."

When your _____ goes away, you **lose the passionate _____ in life** because **you don't have _____ for anything except the _____!**

_____ - life without **MARGIN** in the **Cage of Routine** - has a '_____ effect' upon us all!

"Hurry kills everything from _____ to _____. And when you're in a hurry, you don't have time to get out of the routine... no room for Spiritual-led spontaneity ... ministry _____ seem like ministry _____ (leaving one) no time for Wild Goose Chases!"

~ Pastor Mark Batterson, *Wild Goose Chase*, 2008

Pastor Mark Batterson in his book, *Wild Goose Chase*, shares a spiritual formula that addresses our need for **MARGIN** and a **CHANGE** in our **PERSPECTIVE**:

Change of _____ + Change of _____ = Change of _____ [change in our _____]

When we don't _____ ourselves [when we don't have well-established MARGINS], we tend to _____ divine appointments. In fact, **we will often interpret them to be human interruptions...** effectively, **we put on spiritual _____ and end up _____ the Wild Goose Trails [i.e. His leadings] on life's journey North!**

"You can do the work of God at a pace that _____ the work of God in YOU!"

We can get so **busy _____ ministry** that we **don't have time _____ ministry!"**

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In Christ Jesus, _____ can be _____ - immeasurably _____! **Ephesians 3:20**

God gives us the _____ **OF MARGIN** each week - it's called the _____! The _____ is one way to let go and let God establish **HEALTHY MARGINS** for our lives. It's a **HEALTHY CHANGE OF _____** designed to help us **emotionally, physically** and **spiritually**. The word _____ can literally mean "**to catch one's _____**." God gives the **BREATH of LIFE** and then it quickly becomes Satan's goal to make a person "_____ / **out of _____!**"

Tim Hansel, in his book *Holy Sweat*, wrote that if "**the devil can't make you BAD, he'll make you _____!**"

_____ - **Being Under Satan's Yoke!**

"Everyone has the _____ amount of hours per day, it's not that you don't have enough _____, it's that you don't have a clear _____!" ~ Bridget English, Irish Author

The **Wild Goose Chase** is **not** a **mad _____**; it is to be pursued after as a _____! **Psalms 37:7a NLT**

Recall the spiritual formula that Pastor Mark Batterson in *Wild Goose Chase* gave us to help find **MARGIN**:

Change of _____ (**we just addressed**) + Change of _____ = **Change of PERSPECTIVE [change in our MARGIN]**

André Gide once wrote,

"People cannot _____ new lands until they have the _____ to lose sight of the _____!"

We **LOSE** _____ when we **LOSE** _____ of the _____ of God!

20th Century Pastor / Author A.W. Tozer once said that one of the greatest dangers facing the church was what he called the "**dictatorship of the routine**" - **when everything can be _____ and nobody _____ anything _____ from God [John 3:8]!"**

The Celtic Christians called moments when God breaks into the routine of our routine lives "**_____**" - **intersections of the _____ with His _____ ... where _____ meets the Wild Goose (the Holy Spirit)!** [Exodus 3:1-5]

Life is a _____, not **just** a _____! God wants us all to _____ **the journey!**

Jeremiah 5:24 NLT / Proverbs 13:4 Amplified

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