

# THE LIFE YOU WERE MEANT TO LIVE

## BUILDING MARGIN INTO YOUR LIFE

*Parts 1-3*

*"I have no peace! I have no quiet! I have no rest! And trouble keeps coming!"*

JOB 3:26 (GW)

### AREAS OF OVERLOAD

*Activity*

*Work*

*Information*

*Change*

*Debt*

*Accessibility*

*Choices*

*Media*

*Pace of Life*

### MARGIN: THE SPACE BETWEEN

MY \_\_\_\_\_ AND MY \_\_\_\_\_

## I. THE BENEFITS OF MARGIN

- *More*
- *Better*
- *Stronger*
- *Available for*

## II. STEPS TO BUILDING MARGIN IN YOUR LIFE

### 1. ACCEPT \_\_\_\_\_

*"I have learned that everything has limits..."*

PSALM 119:96 (GN)

*"Our time is limited. You (God) have given us only so many months to live and have set limits we cannot go beyond."*

JOB 14:5 (NCV)

### 2. EXPECT \_\_\_\_\_

*Jesus: "In this world you will have trouble."*

JOHN 16:33 (NIV)

*"A prudent person foresees difficulties ahead and takes precautions: the simpleton goes blindly on and suffers the consequences."*

PROVERBS 22:3 (LB)

### 3. PUT SPACE \_\_\_\_\_

*"Only someone too stupid to find his way home would wear himself out with work."*

ECCLESIASTES 10:15 (GN)

### 4. PRUNE \_\_\_\_\_

*“Everything is permissible for me – but not everything is beneficial.”*

**1 CORINTHIANS 6:12 (NIV)**

## **5. DO LESS AND** \_\_\_\_\_

*“...We were under great pressure, far beyond our ability to endure...As it turned out, it was the best thing that could have happened. Instead of trusting in our own strength or wits to get out of it, we were forced to trust God totally – not a bad idea since He’s the God who raises the dead!”*

**2 CORINTHIANS 1:8-9 (NIV/MES)**