

“Mastering the Mundane”

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Mundane is described as lacking interest or excitement, dull and commonplace.

The space called the mundane is the most important space in your life. What happens in your mundane will set the stage for what type of dramatic moments you have in your life!

If God doesn’t rule your mundane, then he doesn’t rule you. Because the mundane is where you and I live. Dramatic, life-altering moments come only a few times in our lifetime-that’s why they’re dramatic. The vast majority of our lives are lived in the common, ordinary, and mundane.

Many of us live our lives in anticipation of vacation or holidays. We count the days and tell ourselves just a few more days or in three more weeks and we can escape this dull, ordinary, commonplace, routine, mundane life that we are living.

· The secret sauce of success and blessing is hidden in the mundane.

The mundane is not sexy, it’s not flashy, it’s not filled with bright lights and enticing sounds- it’s the boring consistent behavior day after day after day.... that leads to what appears to be overnight success!

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Mark 4:29(NLT) - And as soon as the grain is ready, the farmer comes and harvests it with a sickle, for the harvest time has come.” (He finishes and receives his dream harvest)

- *The Mundane is the space between the exciting start and the thrilling finish!*
 - *To Master the Mundane, the accomplishment of the end goal has to be stronger than the short term sacrifice of the mundane.*
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Asleep or Awake

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- **Steps to Mastering the Mundane:**
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1). Be On Guard

1Peter 5:8-9(NIV) - Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. ⁹ Resist him, standing firm in the faith

· *Its during our mundane that satan comes with the attraction of the shiny thing*

2 Sam. 11:1-4(NLT) - In the spring of the year, when kings normally go out to war, David sent Joab and the Israelite army to fight the Ammonites. They destroyed the Ammonite army and laid siege to the city of Rabbah. However, David stayed behind in Jerusalem.

² Late one afternoon, after his midday rest, David got out of bed and was walking on the roof of the palace. As he looked out over the city, he noticed a woman of unusual beauty taking a bath. ³ He sent someone to find out who she was, and he was told, “She is Bathsheba, the daughter of Eliam and the wife of Uriah the Hittite.” ⁴ Then David sent messengers to get her; and when she came to the palace, he slept with her.

The antidote for the sin of familiarity is always show up and be on time

2). View every task as an act of worship:

Rom. 12:1(NLT) - And so, dear brothers and sisters, I plead with you to give your bodies to God because of all he has done for you. Let them be a living and holy sacrifice—the kind he will find acceptable. This is truly the way to worship him.

3). Maintain an attitude of thankfulness:

Col. 3:17(NLT) - ¹⁷ And whatever you do or say, do it as a representative of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks through him to God the Father.

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- *Have a good attitude about everything you get involved with*