

Don't trade the best for something merely good.



A LOT OF PEOPLE TRY TO GET AWAY WITH WHAT THEY CALL “GOD’S SECOND BEST.” They desert God’s highest calling because they aren’t willing to pay the price.

But we shouldn’t even consider second best because as far as God is concerned, there’s only one best—the “high calling of God in Christ Jesus” (Philippians 3:14 KJV). If we take second best, it’s not really *His* second best; it’s *our* best.

What is sin? It’s missing the mark, missing the target, missing the bull’s eye. It’s not really doing the most important thing that God wants us to do. So “let us lay aside the weights and the sins” (Hebrews 12:1)—anything that keeps us from doing God’s highest and His best, anything that keeps us from being where He knows we’ll be of most use to Him and the biggest blessing to others.

(Prayer:) Lord, bless and keep us all in the center of Your will. Keep us single-minded, single in purpose. We have no idea how great Your purpose is, but we’ve answered Your call. Do help us to do *Your* best—the best we can, and nothing less.