

Refuse to Settle for Less Than God's Best

I think it's healthy to stop regularly and take inventory of our lives. We need to ask, "Am I really living the life Christ died for me to have? Or am I settling for something less?"

No matter of what's happened in the past or what obstacles seem to be in our way, God has a big, full life in store for each one of us. It's up to us if we're going to get the best out of life and make the most of our time, talents, relationships and opportunities.

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The book of Genesis holds a great lesson in this area. It shares the story of Abraham's father, Terah, who gathered his family, packed up everything and started for his ultimate destination—Canaan.

However, Genesis 11:31b (AMPC) says, "They went forth together to go from Ur of the Chaldees into the land of Canaan; but when they came to Haran, they settled there."

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I wonder how many people start out to do one thing in life but settle somewhere along the way because they get tired or because it's convenient. It's not really what they want, but it's something they think they can put up with.

Are there areas in your life where you have "settled" or maybe just haven't made as much progress as you have hoped? The Lord has called us to excellence; however, so many times we settle

for being mediocre. The word “mediocre” literally means “to live halfway between success and failure.”

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