

***One Thing***

# ***How to know if you're committed***

- A candidate preparing for election
- A student preparing for an examination
- A soldier in training (II Timothy 2:4)
- An athlete in training (I Corinthians 9:24-27)

## The Top 5 problems athletes face:

1. Preoccupied with something else during training
2. A wandering mind causes mistakes during the game
3. Worrying about the outcome, not playing in the present
4. Eyes on the competition instead of the real task
5. Rushing to the game leaves you unprepared

# ***One Thing***

- One thing is **necessary**...
- One thing is **lacking**...
- One thing I **seek**...
- One thing I **do**...

# ***One Thing is Necessary***

● Luke 10:42

Influenced either by:

- our friends: psychology, religiosity
- the media: discouragement, helplessness

or by:

- the written Word (the Bible): life (John 6:68)
- the Holy Spirit: Encourager, Helper (John 14:16)

***... to be influenced only by the voice of the Lord***

# ***One Thing is Lacking***

- Luke 18:22

In love either with:

- someone/something on this earth

or with:

- the Lord and His kingdom (Colossians 3:2)

- ***... to set your affection only on the Lord***

# ***One Thing I Seek***

- Psalm 27:4

Committed either to:

- building an earthly kingdom

or:

- building God's home (Exodus 33:1-3)

- ***... to dwell only in the house of the Lord***

# ***One Thing I Do***

- Philippians 3:13

An attitude either of:

- Dwelling in the past, worrying about the future

or:

- Truly repenting and pressing on...

- ***... reach forward to what lies ahead***

# ***A One-Track Mind***

- our influences
- our affections
- our commitment
- our attitude

● Matthew 13:44-46

Have you found that pearl of great price yet?