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Matthew 22:35-39

35 "One of them, an expert in the law, tested him with this question: 36 "Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?" 37 Jesus replied: "'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.'[a] 38 This is the first and greatest commandment. 39 And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.'

Plain and simple, it's the key to happiness. Jesus made it so easy to understand. "You wanna enjoy life? Put God first. You wanna enjoy it greatly? Put others second. You wanna enjoy it to the max? Put yourself third. At our sports camps, we call it, "I'm Third." It's our motto. It works in homes better than anywhere.



Johnny Ferrier was a longtime family friend who chose to guide his crippled Air National Guard jet into a backyard garden in the center of a heavily populated suburb injuring no one but himself instead of bailing out for personal safety and killing many innocent civilians. He was "I'm Third" to the last breath.

images/Blog Images/show/uk4i" src=" " alt=" " />God rules, no doubt. Allowing Him to rule my priorities is what puts Him first.

Loving others, serving others, putting their needs first, is what makes others second.

Loving yourself, treating your body as a temple of the Holy Spirit, not putting alcohol or drugs into it, not filling your eyes or ears with impure sights and sounds is what makes yourself third

Jesus - Others - Yourself -- that spells joy. It also is the simplest formula for a truly happy home.

QUESTIONS:

1. What does putting "God first" mean to you?
2. What are some specific ways you can practice "I'm Third" today?
3. Who are a couple of people you need to be more "I'm Third" with?

LIFELINE:

An "I'm Third" home is a great place to live.

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