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Our greatest fear should not be of failure but of succeeding at things in life that don't really matter.

~Francis Chan

The world says love yourself, grab all you can, follow your heart. Jesus says deny yourself, grab your cross and follow me.

~Francis Chan

But God doesn't call us to be comfortable. He calls us to trust Him so completely that we are unafraid to put ourselves in situations where we will be in trouble if He doesn't come through.

~Francis Chan

God has allowed hard things in your life so you can show the world that your God is great and that knowing Him brings peace and joy, even when life is hard.

~Francis Chan

God's definition of what matters is pretty straightforward. He measures our lives by how we love.

~Francis Chan

We never grow closer to God when we just live life. It takes deliberate pursuit and attentiveness.

~Francis Chan

Life is about Jesus. We are not here to tell our story, but His.

~Francis Chan

Don't fall into the trap of studying the Bible without doing what it says.

~Francis Chan

The irony is that while God doesn't need us but still wants us, we desperately need God but don't really want Him most of the time.

~Francis Chan

He wants all or nothing. The thought of a person calling himself a 'Christian' without being a devoted follower of Christ is absurd.

~Francis Chan

Be careful not to turn others' lives into the mold for your own...we have a #‎ God who is a #‎ Creator not a #‎ Duplicator .

~Francis Chan

Something is wrong when our lives make sense to unbelievers.

~Francis Chan

Jesus said go and make disciples, but so often we just sit and make excuses

~Francis Chan

What are you doing right now that requires faith?

~Francis Chan

When I am consumed by my problems-stressed out about my life, my family, and my job-I actually convey the belief that I think the circumstances are more important than God's command to always rejoice.

~Francis Chan

When we become overly concerned about our appearance, our spiritual reputation, our coolness, and our acceptance, we are living as citizens of this world rather than as ambassadors.

~Francis Chan

Having faith often means doing what others see as crazy.

I believe He wants us to love others so much that we go to extremes to help them.

~Francis Chan

Lukewarm people don't really want to be saved from their sin; they want only to be saved from the penalty of their sin.

~Francis Chan

God didn't just give a little for us; He gave His best. He gave Himself.

~Francis Chan

Trust whatever He has for you. It will be better than anything you can plan for yourself.

~Francis Chan

Making disciples isn't about gathering pupils to listen to your teaching. The real focus is not on teaching people at all-the focus is on loving them.

~Francis Chan

The point is not to completely understand God but to worship Him. Let the very fact that you cannot know Him fully lead you to praise Him for His infiniteness and grandeur.

~Francis Chan

If God cared only about religious activities, then the Pharisees would have been heroes of the faith.

~Francis Chan

The God who loans you life sees your every move, hears each word you speak, knows your every thought. You are seen by God. Noticed. Known.

Lukewarm living and claiming Christ's name simultaneously is utterly disgusting to God.

~Francis Chan

The point of your life is to point to Him. Whatever you are doing, God wants to be glorified, because this whole thing is His.

~Francis Chan

Let us be eager to leave what is familiar for what is true.

~Francis Chan

‎"Do you know that nothing you do in this life will ever matter, unless it is about loving God and loving the people he has made?

~Francis Chan

We don't get to decide who God is.

~Francis Chan

When we work for Christ out of obligation, it feels like work. But when we truly love Christ, our work is a manifestation of that love, and it feels like love.

~Francis Chan

Has your relationship with God changed the way you live your life?

~Francis Chan

We are most alive when we are loving and actively giving ourselves because we were made to do these things.

~Francis Chan

Can you worship a God who isn't obligated to explain His actions to you? Could it be your arrogance that makes you think God owes you an explanation?

I want to see people do more than simply raise their hand when they come to Christ. Where are the totally changed lives?

~Francis Chan

Proclaiming the gospel to a lost world cannot be just another activity to add to the church's crowded agenda. It must be central to who we are. It forms our identity.

~Francis Chan

God is calling you to a passionate love relationship with Himself. The answer to religious complacency isn't working harder at a list of do's and don'ts-it's falling in love with God.

~Francis Chan

We need to be more concerned about who we are before God than our reputation before people.

~Francis Chan

Doesn't every encounter with God only cause us to thirst for Him more?

~Francis Chan

James 2:19- 'You believe there is one God. Good! Even the demons believe that- and shudder.' God doesn't just want us to have good theology; He wants us to know and love Him.

~Francis Chan

The fact is, I need God to help me love God. And if I need His help to love Him, a perfect being, I definitely need His help to love other, fault-filled humans.

~Francis Chan

Why would we need to experience the Comforter if our lives are already comfortable?

~Francis Chan

The very fact that a holy, eternal, all-knowing, all-powerful, merciful, fair, and just God loves you and me is nothing short of astonishing.

~Francis Chan

Are we in love with God or just His stuff?

~Francis Chan

Frankly, you need to get over yourself. It might sound harsh, but that's seriously what it means [1 Corinthians 10:31].

~Francis Chan

A disciple is a disciple maker.

~Francis Chan

Christians are like manure: spread them out and they help everything grow better, but keep them in one big pile and they stink horribly.

~Francis Chan

He measures our lives by how we love.

~Francis Chan

I really believe it's time for some of us to stop apologizing for God and start apologizing to Him for being embarrassed by the ways He has chosen to reveal Himself

~Francis Chan

God is love, but He also defines what love is. We don't have the license to define love according to our standards.

~Francis Chan

...our concern is more about going to heaven than loving the King.

The stress that some of us feel - it's a lack of faith, it really is.

~Francis Chan

Following Christ isn't something that can be done halfheartedly or on the side. It is not a label we can display when it is useful. It must be central to everything we do and are.

~Francis Chan

God doesn't call us to be comfortable. He calls us to trust Him.

~Francis Chan

We have to believe it enough that it changes how we live.

~Francis Chan

We should be so joyful from God's grace that others would respond by saying, 'I wish I had your God.

~Francis Chan

From start to finish, this movie is obviously about God. He is the main character. How is is possible that we live as though it is about us?

~Francis Chan

True faith means holding nothing back; it bets everything on the hope of eternity

~Francis Chan

The world needs Christians who don't tolerate the complacency of their own lives.

~Francis Chan

When it's hard and you are doubtful, give more.

~Francis Chan

True faith manifests itself through our actions.

~Francis Chan

God is not just one thing we add to the mix called life. He wants an invitation from us to permeate everything and every part of us.

~Francis Chan

Colossians 1:16 tells us that everything was created FOR God... don't we live instead as though God is created for US, to do OUR bidding, to bless US, and to take care of OUR loved ones?

~Francis Chan

In the craziness of our world, it takes tremendous effort to find a quiet place. It takes time to quiet your mind and your heart before the Lord.

~Francis Chan

A relationship with God simply cannot grow when money, sins, activities, favorite sports teams, addictions, or commitments are piled up on top of it.

~Francis Chan

As I see it, a lukewarm Christian is an oxymoron; there is no such thing. To put it plainly, churchgoers who are 'lukewarm' are not Christians. We will not see them in heaven.

~Francis Chan

The greatest good on this earth is God

~Francis Chan

The greatest knowledge we can ever have is knowing God treasures us.

~Francis Chan

Just as you did not come to Christ on your own, neither will you remain in Christ on your own.

~Francis Chan

We need to stop giving people excuses not to believe in God.

~Francis Chan

My love for prayer was an answer to prayer.

~Francis Chan

The Bible teaches that true joy is formed in the midst of the difficult seasons of life.

~Francis Chan

Our lack of intimacy is due to our refusal to unplug and shut off communication from all others so we can be alone with Him.

~Francis Chan

My biggest concern for this generation is your inability to focus, especially in prayer.

~Francis Chan

True faith means holding nothing back. It means putting every hope in God's fidelity to His Promises.

~Francis Chan

It hit me that the students were talking about me, not God. I was standing before a holy God and robbing Him of the glory that was rightfully His.

~Francis Chan

I don't want my life to be explainable without the Holy Spirit.

~Francis Chan

My existence was not random, nor was it an accident. God knew who He was creating, and He designed met for a specific work. [Ephesians

2:10]

~Francis Chan

In our world, where hundreds of things distract us from God, we have to intentionally and consistently remind ourselves of Him.

~Francis Chan

God's art speaks of Himself, reflecting who He is and what He is like.

~Francis Chan

I have one reason why you should walk away from that temptation right now. One reason: God. Is. Better.

~Francis Chan

God has not had an identity crisis. He knows that he is Great and deserves to be the center of our lives.

~Francis Chan

Our lives should be more than just focusing on our marriage but on focusing our marriage toward what God's mission is for us as a couple.

~Francis Chan

Without action and fruit, all the theology in the world has little meaning.

~Francis Chan

Christians today like to play it safe. We want to put ourselves in situations where we are safe 'even if there is no God.' But if we truly desire to please God, we cannot live that way.

~Francis Chan

...we are quick to rationalize our entertainment and priorities yet are slow to commit to serving God.

Grace is when you should be totally punished but are blessed for no reason.

~Francis Chan

Worry implies that we don't quite trust God is big enough, powerful enough, or loving enough to take care of what's happening in our lives.

~Francis Chan

When the church really takes on the humble characteristics of Christ, that's going to lead to revival.

~Francis Chan

Isn't it a comfort to worship a God we cannot exaggerate?

~Francis Chan

There are periods that we forget that in the pursuit of fruit, that if we just abide in Him, then fruitfulness is a guarantee.

~Francis Chan

Jesus evidently hates it when we tear into our brothers or sisters with demeaning words, words that fail to honor the people around us as the beautiful image-bearing creatures that they are.

~Francis Chan

Every year in my life, I trust fewer and fewer people.

~Francis Chan

God exists outside of time, and since we are within time, there is no way we will ever totally grasp that concept.

~Francis Chan

Only the Holy Spirit can give you the power to not think about yourself, to set you free from yourself.

The best things in life are gifts from the One who steadfastly loves us. But an important question to ask ourselves is this: are we in love with God or just His stuff?

~Francis Chan

A key to everything is surrender - to really come before the Lord and say, 'I will literally stay here as long as you want me to stay' or 'God, I will really go anywhere on the earth.'

~Francis Chan

Christianity was simple: fight your desires in order to please God.

~Francis Chan

...I don't have to worry about not meeting His expectations. God will ensure my success in accordance with His plan, not mine.

~Francis Chan

We live in a time when Christians need to be told that they are supposed to live like Christ. That's Weird.

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