To seek the lord, means some sort of commitment or action on Your Behalf. ("It's not just a figure of speech") <u>Matthew 6:33</u>* But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.

You notice it does not say: seek the best jobs or fame and fortune first. The average John Q. Public does exactly this, we are more concerned with things and the heights that money can elevate us, than what God wants us to do.

It takes time to seek Gods face and guidance and the average person after putting in a full days work, HAS time to watch the boob tube where there is nothing righteous about it, or a two hour movie that has a little sex in it or a little cursing in it and figures it's not going to effect them. BUT for them to watch a 20 minute teaching tape that will expound Gods word to them, they don't have time. After all, they worked hard today, watched TV for a while, then watched a movie and now their to tired to watch let alone enjoy teaching in Gods word.

When you seek the Lord, you PUT HIM FIRST and foremost. If you do, you'll be to built up in your spirit to put up with the crud on TV or these movies.

<u>Matthew 11:28-30</u>* Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.

Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and

lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls.

For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.

What it actually boils down to, is priority, where does your priority lay? Is it with living life and enjoying the fruits thereof OR enjoying the Lord and the fruits thereof?

BELIEVE ME, you have not enjoyed life UNTIL you put Christ FIRST in everything.

We all have to work at a job or a family or home life and we

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are not stupid, we have to make decisions and choices. Now we being human feel we are blessed when our spouse includes us in the decisions or choices they make. Even if you are sure that they have already decided. How much more do you think it blesses God, if we include him in our decisions. The more we include God in everything, the more he will reveal himself to us.

<u>Luke 9:23</u>* And he said to them all, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me.

Some years ago, I held down a full time paying job, was full time Pastoring or starting new outreaches also did some local evangelizing. I spent every spare minute reading and studying the bible plus every book and tape teaching series that God brought to my attention and I don't ever recall not having time or being to tired. I remember times I didn't go to bed till 1 or 2am and was up at 7am to go to work. God sustained me, I was always rested and ready to go, was healthy and still had time to play with my family. I believe all this was possible because I put Jesus first and trusted him for sustaining grace.

There is no way I shared this to try and be superior or self righteous, But to show you the power of God in ones life, IF you put him first and seek his guidance.

<u>Matthew 7:11</u>* If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more shall your Father which is in heaven give good things to them that ask him?

God feeds the birds of the air, but he DON'T jam it down their throat.

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