

# ONE DAY AT A TIME

## BALANCING LIFE'S PRIORITIES

**DOMESTIC SCIENCE—HOME ECONOMICS—HUMAN ECOLOGY**  
ACTUALLY IT'S ALL THE SAME, RIGHT? ONE OF BALANCE,  
OF HOLDING LIFE IN THE PROPER TENSION. WE MUST BE  
SURE THAT THE NECESSARY DOESN'T GET OUT OF PROPORTION  
AND DISTORT OUR LIVES. AS FOLLOWERS OF JESUS CHRIST,  
WE ARE TO LOVE THE LORD OUR GOD WITH ALL OUR HEART,  
WITH ALL OUR SOUL, WITH ALL OUR STRENGTH, WITH ALL  
OUR MIND. IT IS NOT A QUESTION OF CONTRASTING THE  
ACTIVIST LIFE TO THE CONTEMPLATIVE LIFE. IT'S A MATTER  
OF PRIORITIES. WHEN WE HAVE THE RIGHT PRIORITIES, **GOD**  
WILL ENABLE US TO DO WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE—WITH  
JOY AND SATISFACTION. **GOD'S** LOVE DOES NOT GUARANTEE  
US A SHELTER FROM DIFFICULT EXPERIENCES THAT ARE  
NECESSARY FOR OUR SPIRITUAL GROWTH. OUR PAINFUL  
EXPERIENCES CAN REVEAL GOD TO US IN NEW WAYS.  
WHEN WE BELIEVE IN JESUS CHRIST, WE GAIN  
A QUALITY OF LIFE THAT IS LARGER THAN DEATH.