



The Pastor's Use of Time

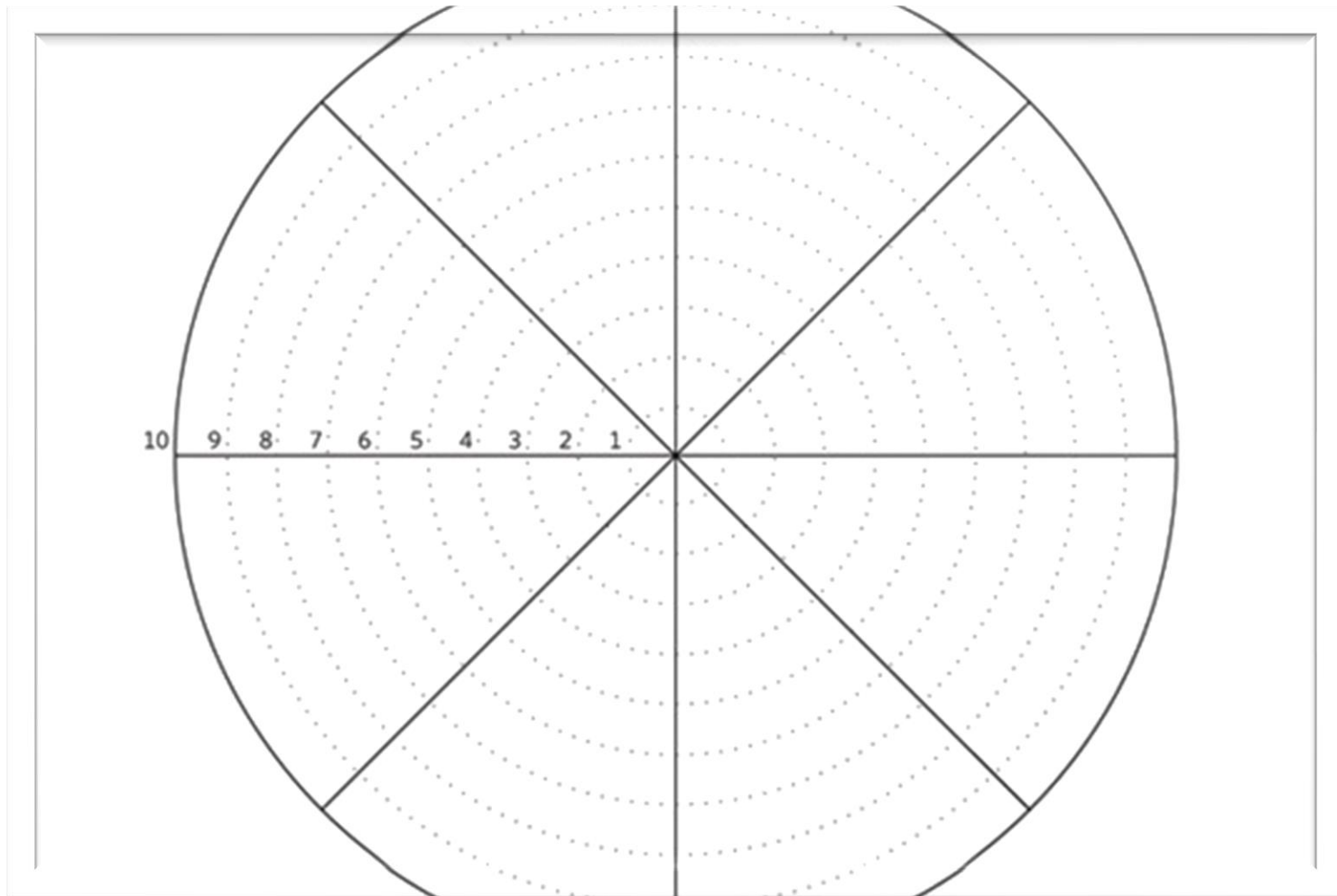
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Your Life

- **What are key categories of your life?**
 - Physical Health
 - Career/Work
 - Family and Friends
 - Environment (life contexts)
 - Finances
 - Personal Growth
 - Spiritual Life
 - Recreation (Rejuvenation)



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Time Management & Productivity

Is it Biblical?

- Is God interested in our productivity?
 - Genesis 1:28; Matthew 25:14-30; Ephesians 5:15-17; Psalm 90:12.
 - How would you define productivity? (in reference to time, talents, resources)
 - What are the biggest obstacles to your productivity?
 - What is the most important piece of advice you'd give to someone so that they could be more productive?
 - What should motivate us to be more productive?
- Efficiency vs. Effectiveness:
 - Efficiency – doing things well. Effectiveness – doing the right things.
 - Which one is more important? Why?

Principles of Modern Productivity

- Living in an age of “Knowledge Work”
 - Peter Drucker, “The knowledge worker cannot be supervised closely in detail. He can only be helped. But he must direct himself, and he must direct himself toward performance and contribution, that is, effectiveness” (*Effective Exec.*).
 - Scott Branson, “The ideas that move industries forward are not the result of tremendous creative insight but rather of masterful stewardship” (*M.I.H.*).
- Core Principle of Productivity
 - Peter Drucker, “If there is any one ‘secret’ of effectiveness, it is concentration. **Effective executives do first things first and they do one thing at a time.**”
 - Seth Godin: Decide what really matters *and do it*. “Once you decide, you don’t need to worry about all this other stuff. You can just do the thing you’ve decided is important.” “**You don’t need more time, you just need to decide.**”
 - <https://medium.com/accelerated-intelligence/warren-buffett-really-successful-people-say-no-to-almost-everything-ab78832ffe9c>

Aspire within Your God-given Roles

- All Christians are called to their roles (1 Cor 7:17b-24; Eph 6:6-8).
 - (Eph 6:6-8) ⁶ not by the way of eye-service, as people-pleasers, but as bondservants of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart, ⁷ rendering service with a good will as to the Lord and not to man, ⁸ knowing that whatever good anyone does, this he will receive back from the Lord, whether he is a bondservant or is free.
- All areas of a Christian's life is part of their calling (1 Cor. 10:31).
 - (1Co 10:31) So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God.

Defining Your Roles

- Can you identify 5-7 of your key roles*?
(God-given aspirations)
 - Where has God placed or positioned me to serve Him and others?
 - Possible Examples: husband, father, family member, pastor, neighbor, etc.
- *These should match my mission and vision (life goal) statement
- Challies suggests having a limited mission statement for each area of responsibility (see *Do More Better*, 36).

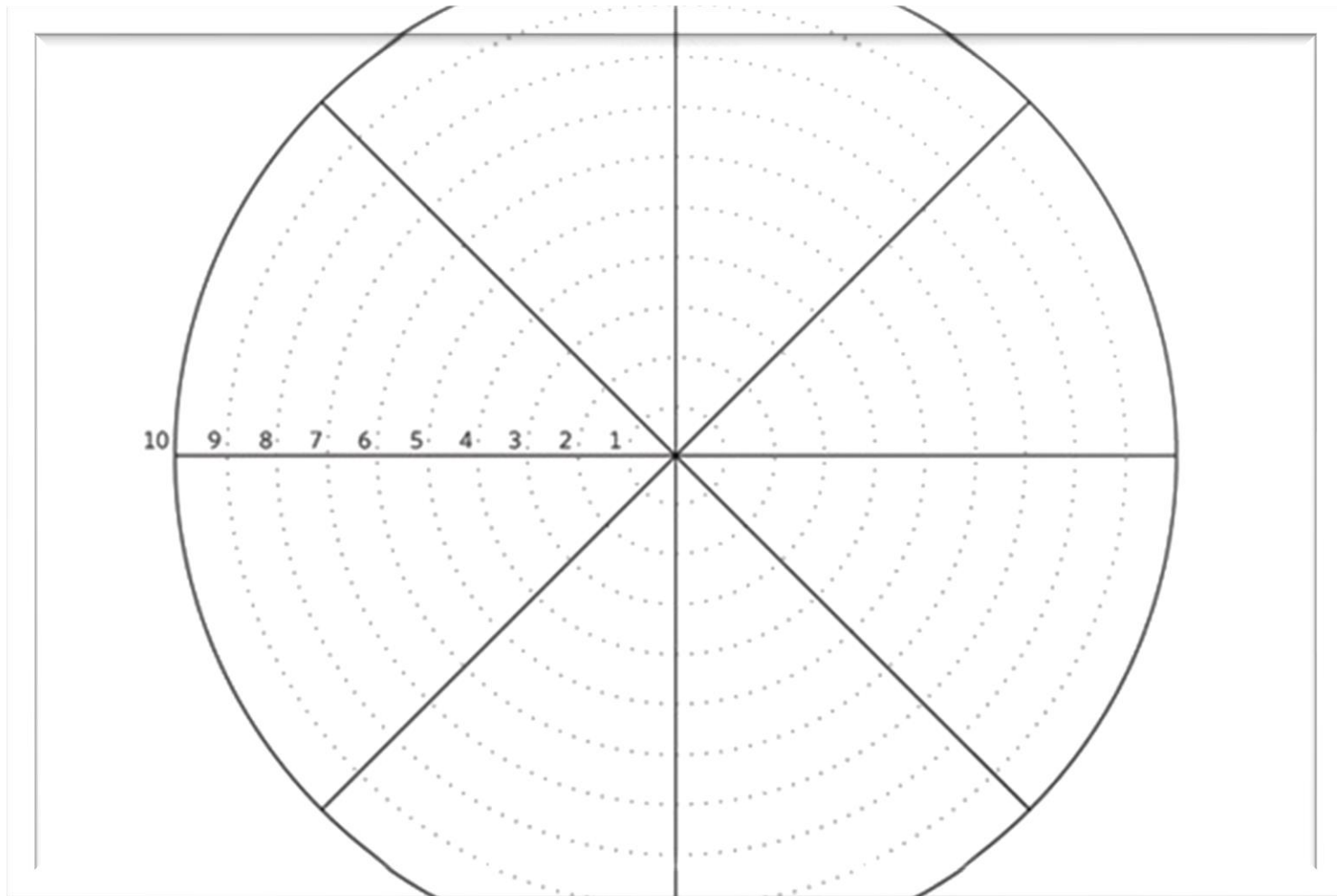
Aspire by setting goals

- Can you identify key areas of goal* development within your roles?

Category:	Wisdom	Physical	God	Others
Role 1				
Role 2				
Role 3... etc.				

- Luke 2:52 “Jesus increased
- in wisdom and in stature and
- in favor with God and man.”
 - (1) Wisdom/Skill
 - (2) Stature/Physically
 - (3) Relationship to God
 - (4) Relationship to others

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