



Between the Lines

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Act of Contrition...

We should all pay more attention to life and not get lost in the process, focus on the things that constitute a good meaningful life, family, friends and gratitude.

Who realized that every moment, action and conversation would become building blocks in a pyramid that would collate to become the future? We keep saying to ourselves:

"I should spend more time with family, sharing and enjoying life, but I'll have plenty of time for that, I will make up for lost time someday." Well, before you know it... zip... it's too late. Boy, you say now... what was I thinking? Were you thinking too much "about you" was it "you" that was your priority? For this unforgivable delusion although unintentional at times you will pay penance for the rest of your life, it will be too late to say you're sorry for the missed dinners, family time and memory making events, and above all for not building relationships that would be lifelong. The things you say and do, the way you act, the decisions you make may feel rational and satisfied to you at the time but, most likely will have a heavy impact on the way people in your life think of you. Every act is recorded in the minds of your children, family and close friends and in later years revisited by them to your dismay, there is no rewind to correct mistakes. When people think about the past, as a matter of mental survival, it will include the things that you did wrong, even if the good outweighed the bad and at this point, now, no excuse of reasoning is acceptable. Can we fix it, maybe, don't wait until you're living in your future; face to face with the light at the end of the tunnel, there is time for you to repent. Don't put it off; do the things that really count in life, like love, family and sharing your most intimate feelings with the people that are close to you.

"Find an excuse to be nice, be honest, smile and look for the good in everyone, make it hard for people not to like you."

Twelfth Commandment:

Thou Shalt not waste a moment of today on the regrets of yesterday.