

What really matters to YOU?

The answer to that question is subjective, of course, and can change over the course of a person's life. It has for me. As I've gotten older, and a little wiser, the very long list of those things that I thought were significant or most important to me has shrunk.

My list got cluttered with unimportant things. Things that got in the way of the essential – faith, family, health, purpose. Not always a waste, because from it came lessons, but, it became more and more evident to me that I needed to do some spring cleaning.

Now, I consciously try my best to keep my list decluttered. And, not surprisingly, I find that there is one item that keeps moving up on the list — TIME. That is now in my top five. Focusing on how I spend my time is more important than ever.

Case in point:

"And one day you realize that it wasn't the game, it was who you watched it with.
It wasn't about the house you owned. It was the people in it.
It wasn't about the best coffee ever, but who you made it for.
It wasn't all the work you put in, but who was in the trenches with you.
It wasn't the great dinner prepared for you. It was who brought you your plate.
You have to learn how to value the time that someone gives you because that's something they will never get back. It's priceless."

Most of us know the drill, but to my younger readers: think about your list. Sort it out. Identify the time-wasters and purge those, so you can spend more time on what really matters. Because life is but a blink.

I am grateful for every second I get to spend with those I love.

What are you thankful for today?

Until next Thursday's post…si Dios quiere.

"It is not enough to be busy….The question is: What are you busy about?"
-H.D. Thoreau

"Don't get so busy making a living that you forget to make a life."
-D. Parton

"It is the time you have wasted for your rose that makes your rose so important."
-Antoine de Saint-Exupery, *The Little Prince*



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