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GIVE GOD MY
BEST**

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A person in dark clothing stands on a wooden pier, looking out over a misty lake with mountains in the background. The scene is dimly lit, suggesting dawn or dusk.

Growing Faith

- **Oratio**
- **Meditatio**
- **Tentatio**

Examples of Biblical Tension...



A person is standing on a wooden pier, looking out at a vast, misty ocean. The person is wearing a dark jacket and dark pants. The background shows a large body of water with mountains in the distance under a hazy sky. The overall mood is contemplative and serene.

Examples of Biblical Tension...

Work too hard vs. not hard enough

A person in dark clothing stands on a wooden pier, looking out at the ocean. The background shows a calm sea and distant mountains under a soft, hazy sky. The text is overlaid on the image in white.

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Jesus replied, “No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for service in the kingdom of God.” – Luke 9:62

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Flesh vs. Spirit

A person in dark clothing stands on a wooden pier, looking out at a vast, calm ocean under a hazy, overcast sky. The person's back is to the camera, and their legs are the central focus of the image. The text is overlaid on the upper left portion of the image.

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Flesh vs. Spirit

Kingdom of Heaven vs. Earth

A person in dark clothing stands on a wooden pier, looking out at a vast, calm ocean under a hazy, overcast sky. The person's back is to the camera, and their legs are visible. The pier is made of dark wooden planks. The ocean is a deep blue-grey color, and the sky is a pale, hazy grey. The overall mood is contemplative and serene.

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Law vs. Gospel

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Christ has done it all vs. Christ is still working through us

LIFE
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MISSION

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Matthew 28:19-20

Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.”

A person is standing on a wooden pier, looking out over a large body of water. The scene is misty, with mountains visible in the background. The person is wearing a dark jacket and pants. The text "WITH GOD" is overlaid on the image, with "WITH" underlined.

WITH GOD

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Not FOR God

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Not FOR God

But go and learn what this means: 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.'

– Matthew 9:13

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WITH GOD

Not FOR God

Not OVER God

A person is standing on a wooden pier, looking out at a misty sea with mountains in the background. The person is wearing dark clothing and is seen from the back. The background is a soft, hazy landscape with mountains and water.

2 Timothy 2:4-6

*No one serving as a **soldier** gets entangled in civilian affairs, but rather tries to please his commanding officer. Similarly, anyone who competes as an athlete does not receive the victor's crown except by competing according to the rules. The hardworking farmer should be the first to receive a share of the crops.*

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John 20:30a

But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God.

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Galatians 2:20

I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

SKYE JETHANI

Author of The Divine Commodity

REIMAGINING THE WAY YOU RELATE TO GOD

with

with

A person in a dark jacket and trousers stands on a wooden pier, looking out at a misty lake with mountains in the background. The scene is dimly lit, suggesting dawn or dusk. The text "Giving our Best .." is overlaid in white on the person's jacket.

Giving our Best ..

A person in dark clothing stands on a wooden pier, looking out at a vast body of water. In the background, there are hazy mountains under a soft, overcast sky. The scene is captured in a low-key, monochromatic style with muted blues and greys.

Giving our Best ..

**1. Truly the best has been given to God by
His Son**

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2. I can only give my best to God if it's Christ working through me

A person in dark clothing stands on a wooden pier, looking out at a misty sea and mountains. The scene is dimly lit, suggesting dawn or dusk. The text is overlaid on the right side of the image.

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If we died with him, we will also live with him – 2 Timothy 2:11



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Galatians 3:3

Are you so foolish? After beginning by means of the Spirit, are you now trying to finish by means of the flesh?



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Philippians 3:8

What is more, I consider everything a loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them garbage, that I may gain Christ.