

De-Stressing Your Life

Try these 36 ways.....

- 1. Pray.
- 2. Go to bed on time.
- 3. Get up on time so you can start the day unrushed.
- 4. Say No, to projects that won't fit into your time schedule, or that will compromise your mental health.
- 5. Delegate tasks to capable others.
- 6. Simplify and unclutter your life.
- 7. Less is more. (Although one is often not enough, two are often too many.)
- 8. Allow extra time to do things and to get to places.
- 9. Pace yourself. Spread out big changes and difficult projects over time; don't lump the hard things all together.
- 10. Take one day at a time.
- 11. Separate worries from concerns. If a situation is a concern, find out what God would have you to do and let go of the anxiety. If you can't do anything about a situation, forget it.
- 12. Live within your budget; don't use credit cards for ordinary purchases.
- 13. Have backups; an extra car key in your wallet, an extra house key buried in the garden, extra stamps, etc.
- 14. K.M.S. (Keep Mouth Shut). This single piece of advice can prevent an enormous amount of trouble.
- 15. Do something for the Child in You everyday.
- 16. Carry a book of Holy Scriptures with you to read while waiting in line.
- 17. Get enough exercise.
- 18. Eat right.

- 19. Get organized so everything has its place.
- 20. Listen to a tape while driving that can help improve your quality of life.
- 21. Write thoughts and inspirations down.
- 22. Every day, find time to be alone.
- 23. Having problems? Talk to GOD on the spot. Try to nip small problems in the bud. Don't wait until it's time to go to bed to pray.
- 24. Make friends with Godly people.
- 25. Keep a folder of favorite Holy Scriptures on hand.
- 26. Remember that the shortest bridge between despair and hope is often a good "Thank you, Lord!"
- 27. Laugh.
- 28. Laugh some more!
- 29. Take your work seriously, but yourself not at all.
- 30. Develop a forgiving attitude (most people are doing the best they can).
- 31. Be kind to unkind people (they probably need it the most).
- 32. Sit on your ego.
- 33. Talk less; listen more.
- 34. Slow down.
- 35. Remind yourself that you are not the general manager of the universe.
- 36. Every night before bed, think of one thing you're grateful for that you've never been grateful for before.

GOD HAS A WAY OF TURNING THINGS AROUND FOR YOU. "If GOD is for us, who can be against us?" (Romans 8:31) (When GOD is for us, it doesn't matter who is against us.)

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