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Jesus said to the people who believed in Him, "You are truly My disciples if you remain faithful to My teachings. And you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."

Jesus replied, "All who love me will do what I say. My Father will love them, and we will come and make our home with each of them. Anyone who doesn't love me will not obey me. And remember, my words are not my own. What I am telling you is from the Father who sent me.

I am telling you these things now while I am still with you. But when the Father sends the Advocate as my representative—that is, the Holy Spirit—he will teach you everything and will remind you of everything I have told you. "I am leaving you with a gift—peace of mind and heart.

And the peace I give is a gift the world cannot give. So don't be troubled or afraid. Remember what I told you: I am going away, but I will come back to you again. If you really loved me, you would be happy that I am going to the Father, who is greater than I am.

I have told you these things before they happen so that when they do happen, you will believe. "I don't have much more time to talk to you, because the ruler of this world approaches.

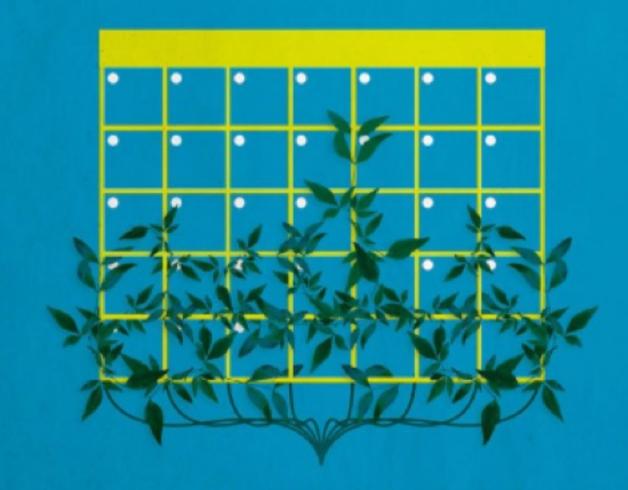
He has no power over me, but I will do what the Father requires of me, so that the world will know that I love the Father. Come, let's be going.

# Rule of Life

"I have both rhythms and restrictions to help me connect with God and resist popular culture."

JUSTIN WHITMEL EARLEY

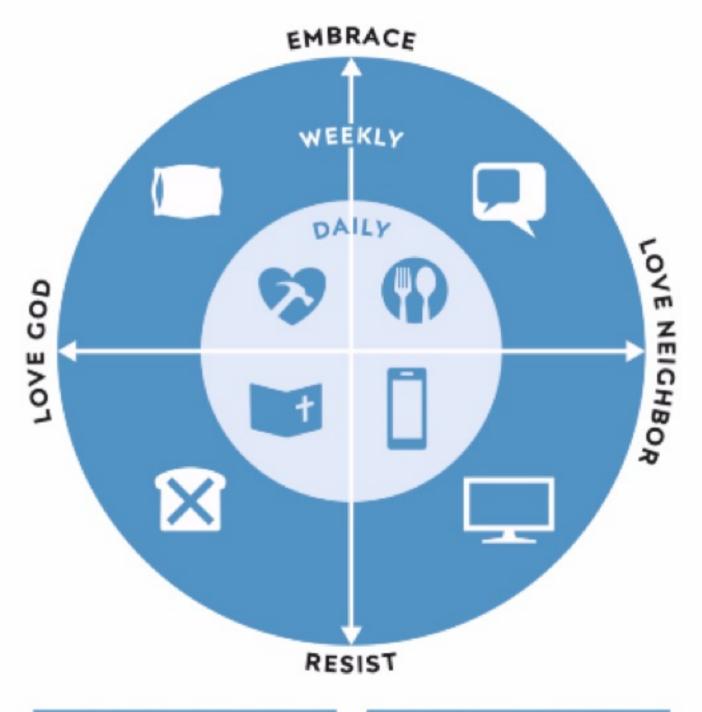
### THE COMMON RULE



HABITS OF PURPOSE

FOR AN AGE OF DISTRACTION

#### HABITS AT A GLANCE







Kneeling prayer three times a day



One meal with others



One hour with phone off



Scripture before phone

#### WEEKLY HABITS



One hour of conversation with a friend



Curate media to four hours



Fast from something for twenty-four hours



Sabbath

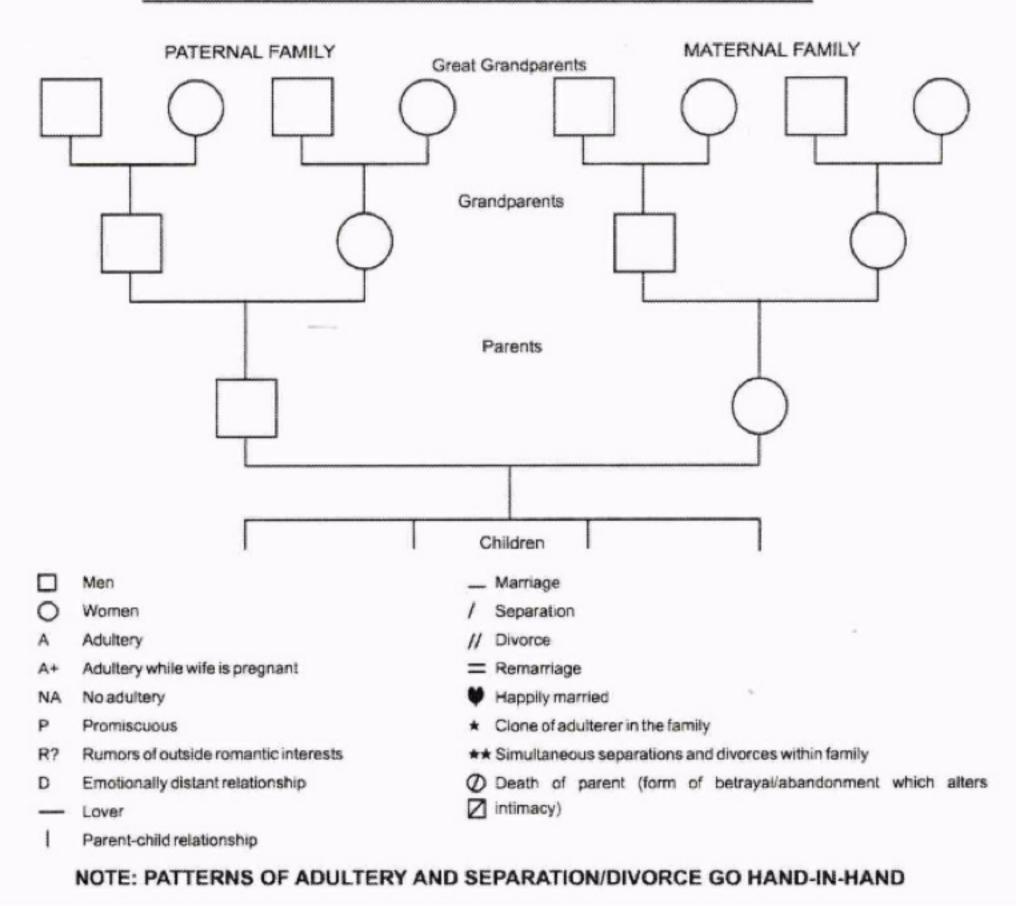
# Our Common Rule?

**Rhythm** – Daily prayerful engagement with Scripture **Restriction** – Limit the quality and quantity of your screen intake

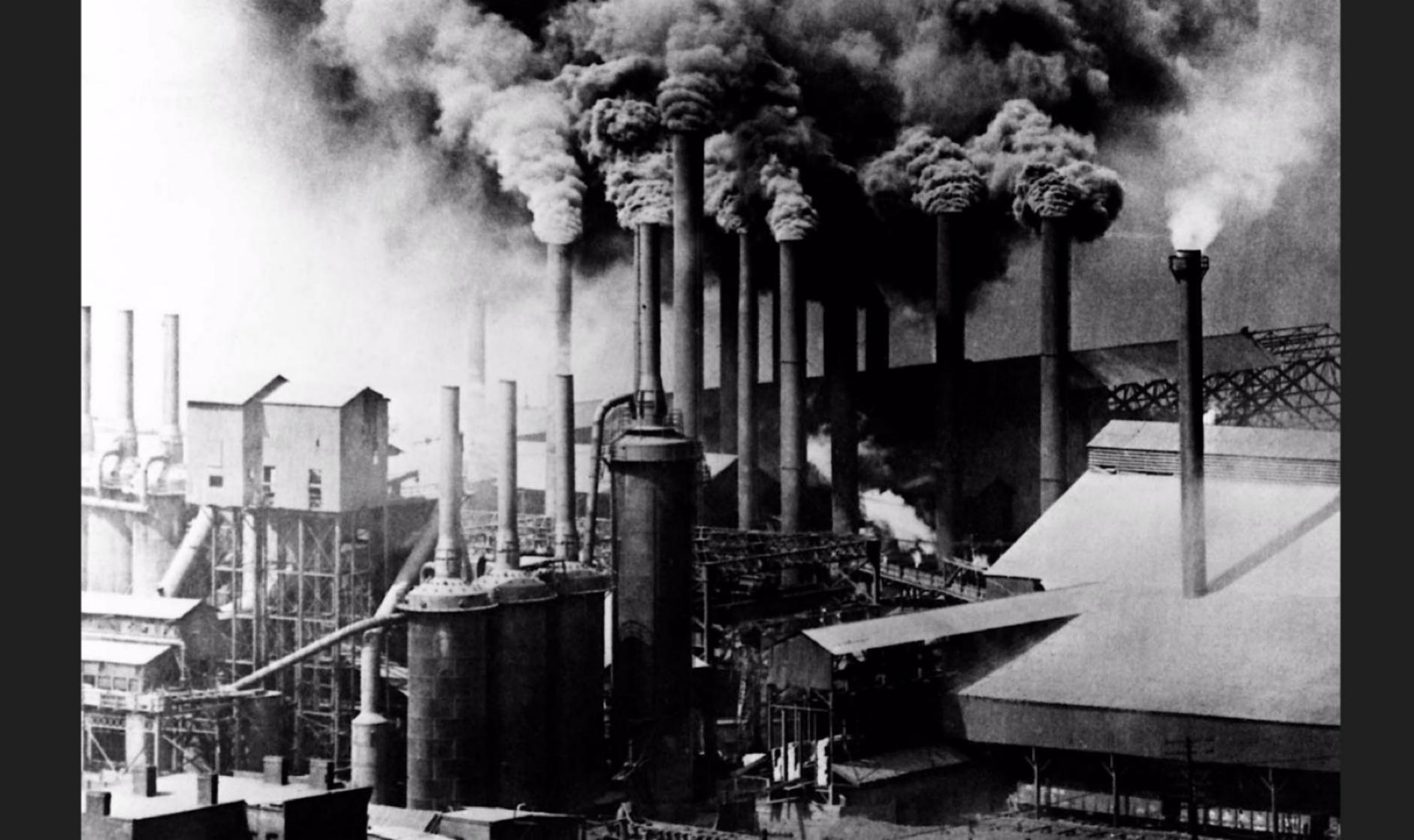
"What if the good life doesn't come from having the ability to do what we want but from having the ability to do what we were made for?" (Justin Earlye, *The Common Rule*)

#### All in the Family

### **READER'S GENOGRAM**



True freedom is found in limitations.



















"If you were going to give advice for a happy adolescence based on [our data], it would be straightforward: Put down the phone, turn off the laptop, and do something that does not involve a screen."

-Gene Twengy, Psychologist and Expert on Generational Differences

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- -For longer periods of focused work
- -On a date
- -While with kids
- -During quiet time w/God