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What matters most to you?

Exploring your values is one way to understand what is important to you. Think of your values as a compass that guides your actions and behaviors. Understanding them can help you make sense of some choices you make in life. It can help guide you while making intentional money decisions.

To help you reflect on what's truly important to you, take a moment to study the words that follow and mark your top seven to 10 priorities. Then, work to narrow that down to your top three.

- ☐ Achievement
- ☐ Advancement
- ☐ Adventure
- ☐ Affection
- ☐ Artistic expression
- ☐ Authority
- ☐ Autonomy
- ☐ Balance
- ☐ Challenge
- ☐ Community
- ☐ Competence
- ☐ Competition
- ☐ Contribution to society
- ☐ Cooperation
- ☐ Creativity
- ☐ Diversity
- ☐ Economic security
- ☐ Environment
- ☐ Excitement
- ☐ Faith
- ☐ Fame
- ☐ Family
- ☐ Financial security
- ☐ Freedom
- ☐ Friendship
- ☐ Fun
- ☐ Generosity
- ☐ Health
- ☐ Helping others
- ☐ Honesty
- ☐ Independence
- ☐ Influence
- ☐ Integrity
- ☐ Intellectual challenge
- ☐ Job security
- ☐ Justice
- ☐ Love
- ☐ Loyalty
- ☐ Nature
- ☐ Order
- ☐ Personal development
- ☐ Pleasure
- ☐ Power
- ☐ Predictability
- ☐ Recognition
- ☐ Respect
- ☐ Responsibility
- ☐ Risk-taking
- ☐ Service
- ☐ Spirituality
- ☐ Stability
- ☐ Status/prestige
- ☐ Structure
- ☐ Teamwork
- ☐ Tradition
- ☐ Trust
- ☐ Variety
- ☐ Wealth
- ☐ Wisdom
- ☐ Other(s) _____
- _____
- _____
- _____

You may choose to complete this exercise with your partner to gain a better understanding of how your values work together in your relationship. It's also a good way to introduce children to the idea that their decisions are influenced by what matters most to them.

Understanding your priorities can bring clarity and purpose to your actions and have a positive effect on your financial decisions.

If you would like to discuss your goals and financial strategies with a financial advisor, contact us at Thrivent.com or 800-847-4368.

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