

**NOTHING  
BETTER**


**ECCLESIASTES 12.13**

**There's nothing better  
than being home for the  
holidays.**

**There's nothing better  
than spoiling your  
grandchildren**

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than spoiling your  
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(and then sending them back  
to mom and dad!)



**There's nothing better  
than a warm fire on a cold  
winter's day.**

**There's nothing better**  
than a glass of sweet  
tea on a warm  
summer evening.

**There's nothing better**  
than having all of your  
kids *well.*

**There's nothing better  
than having a quiet  
dinner alone, with  
your significant other.**



**There's nothing better**  
than the look on your  
child's face on  
Christmas morning.

**There's nothing better  
than hanging out with  
your best friends.**

**There's nothing better  
than getting an "A" on  
that exam.**

**There's nothing better**  
than having your  
*very own car.*

**There's nothing better**  
to be found on earth than  
the satisfaction that springs  
from serving God and  
keeping His  
commandments.

## **Ecclesiastes 12.13**

The end of the matter; all has been heard. Fear God and keep his commandments, for this is the whole duty of man.

ONE

**Focus sometimes  
requires fear.**

## **2 Timothy 1.7**

...for God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control.



## **Ecclesiastes 5.7b**

...but God is the one you must  
fear.

TWO

**Keeping  
commandments  
requires  
commitment.**

It's good to assemble with other  
Christians

**Hebrews 10.25**

We need to give and *get*  
encouragement from one another

**1 Thessalonians 5.11**

Remember the sacrifice of Jesus

**John 3.16**

THREE

**Be dedicated to  
your duty.**

## **THE MARINES' GENERAL ORDERS**

1. To take charge of this post and all government property in view.
2. To walk my post in a military manner, keeping always on the alert, and observing everything that takes place within sight or hearing.
3. To report all violations of orders I am instructed to enforce.
4. To repeat all calls from posts more distant from the guard house than my own.

## **THE MARINES' GENERAL ORDERS**

5. To quit my post only when properly relieved.
6. To receive, obey and pass on to the sentry who relieves me, all orders from the Commanding Officer, Officer of the Day, Officers, and Non-Commissioned Officers of the guard only.
7. To talk to no one except in the line of duty.
8. To give the alarm in case of fire or disorder.

## **THE MARINES' GENERAL ORDERS**

9. To call the Corporal of the Guard in any case not covered by instructions.
10. To salute all officers and all colors and standards not cased.
11. To be especially watchful at night, and, during the time for challenging, to challenge all persons on or near my post and to allow no one to pass without proper authority.

## **THE CHRISTIAN'S GENERAL ORDERS**

**1. To take charge of this post - our "post" is the world in which we live.**

**John 3.17**



## **THE CHRISTIAN'S GENERAL ORDERS**

**2. To quit my post only when properly relieved - don't ever quit, because the fight will always be worth it.**

**1 Corinthians 15.58**

## **THE CHRISTIAN'S GENERAL ORDERS**

**3. To receive, obey and pass on, all orders from the commanding officer - be a channel of God's truth.**

**1 Peter 3.15**

## **THE CHRISTIAN'S GENERAL ORDERS**

**4. To call the officer of the deck in any case not covered by instruction - Learn the importance of prayer.**

**James 1.5**

## **THE CHRISTIAN'S GENERAL ORDERS**

**5. To be especially watchful at night, and during the time of challenging - We have an adversary who is always seeking opportunity to trick us, distract us, and possibly even destroy us.**

**1 Peter 5.8**