Eight Things More Precious than Gold Gene Warr

I. Introduction.

- A. The gospel is the power of God for salvation, but Satan has got us not to share the gospel.
- B. We get so busy sometimes that we forget we are the people of God.
- C. There are eight things more precious than gold from a biblical viewpoint.
- II. Our relationship to God. (Job 22)
 - A. Our relationship with God can grow by...
 - 1. Receiving Jesus.
 - 2. Knowing God's Word.
 - 3. Praying.
 - 4. Obedience. (Psalm 119:59-60)
 - 5. Spending time with godly people. (2 Kings 13; Acts 5; 19)
 - B. Assurance of heaven, peace in our hearts, freedom from guilt and many other good things result from this.
- III. The Word of God itself. (Psalm 19:9; 119:7)
 - A. God uses it to cleanse us.
 - B. It is food for our souls.
 - C. It is an offensive tool against the Devil. (Ephesians 6:17)
- IV. Wisdom. (Proverbs 3:13-14)
 - A. We get wisdom by asking for it. (James 1:5)
 - B. We always find wisdom in Jesus. (Colossians 2:2-3)
- V. Our health.(Acts 3)
- VI. The trial of our faith. (1 Peter 1:6-7)
 - A. Our faith comforts others.
 - B. Our faith allows us to experience the grace of God. (Romans 8:28)

VII. The precious blood of Jesus.
A. This is our redemption. (Revelation 5; Ephesians 1:7)
B. It is our weapon of warfare. (Revelation 12:11)
VIII. A good name. (Proverbs 22:1)
IX. Our lives.
A. We can invest it in temporal things or eternal things. (2 Peter 3)
B. Wise people make wise investments.
C. The requirements for change.
1. Admit your need.
2. Be willing to change.
3. Believe that Christ died on the cross for you.
4. As an act of your will invite Jesus to come in and control your life.
Application questions:
1. How will you go about growing your relationship with God?
2. How can you make better health conditions to honor the prize God has given you?
3. What are some new ways you can invest the life God has given you to make an impact for eternity? Explain.