

Stressbusters # 1

Exodus 18:13-27

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## **KEY TAKE AWAY: CALL STRESSBUSTERS!**

STRESS MEANS: "TO BE DRAWN TIGHT," "TO CHOKE," "TO DIVIDE THE MIND," "TENSION." STRESS IS THE GAP BETWEEN DEMANDS THAT ARE PLACED UPON ME IN EVERYDAY LIFE AND THE STRENGTH I HAVE IN MEETING THOSE DEMANDS.

Stress causes damage to relationships, physically, emotional damage, and spiritual damage.

Stress can be categorized in three areas: relational, financial, and occupational.

## **Three Principles**

Evaluate your limits (18:13-18).

YOU'VE GOT TO LEARN THE ART OF SEPARATION. HOW TO SEPARATE PRESSURES ONLY YOU CAN HANDLE FROM PRESSURES THAT OTHER PEOPLE SHOULD AND COULD HANDLE.

## Delegate the load (18:21-22).

DELEGATE TO OTHERS WHAT OTHERS CAN DO SO YOU CAN FOCUS ON THE THINGS THAT ONLY YOU CAN DO.

WHEN YOU DELEGATE YOU'VE GOT TO DO THESE THINGS: FIND THE RIGHT PEOPLE; GIVE THEM THE RIGHT JOB; TRUST THEM TO DO THE RIGHT THING; DELEGATE THE RESULT NOT THE PROCESS

## COMMUNICATE WITH THE LORD (18:19).

Now, we come to the root of Moses' problem. He had been spending too much time talking to the people about God and not enough time talking to God about the people.