

The background of the image is a piece of marbled paper with a complex, organic pattern. The colors are primarily shades of blue, ranging from light, almost white, to deep navy and black. The patterns resemble swirling clouds, veins of stone, or perhaps microscopic organisms. A dark blue, semi-transparent rectangular box is centered over the middle of the image, serving as a backdrop for the text.

DON'T LOSE YOUR
MARBLES

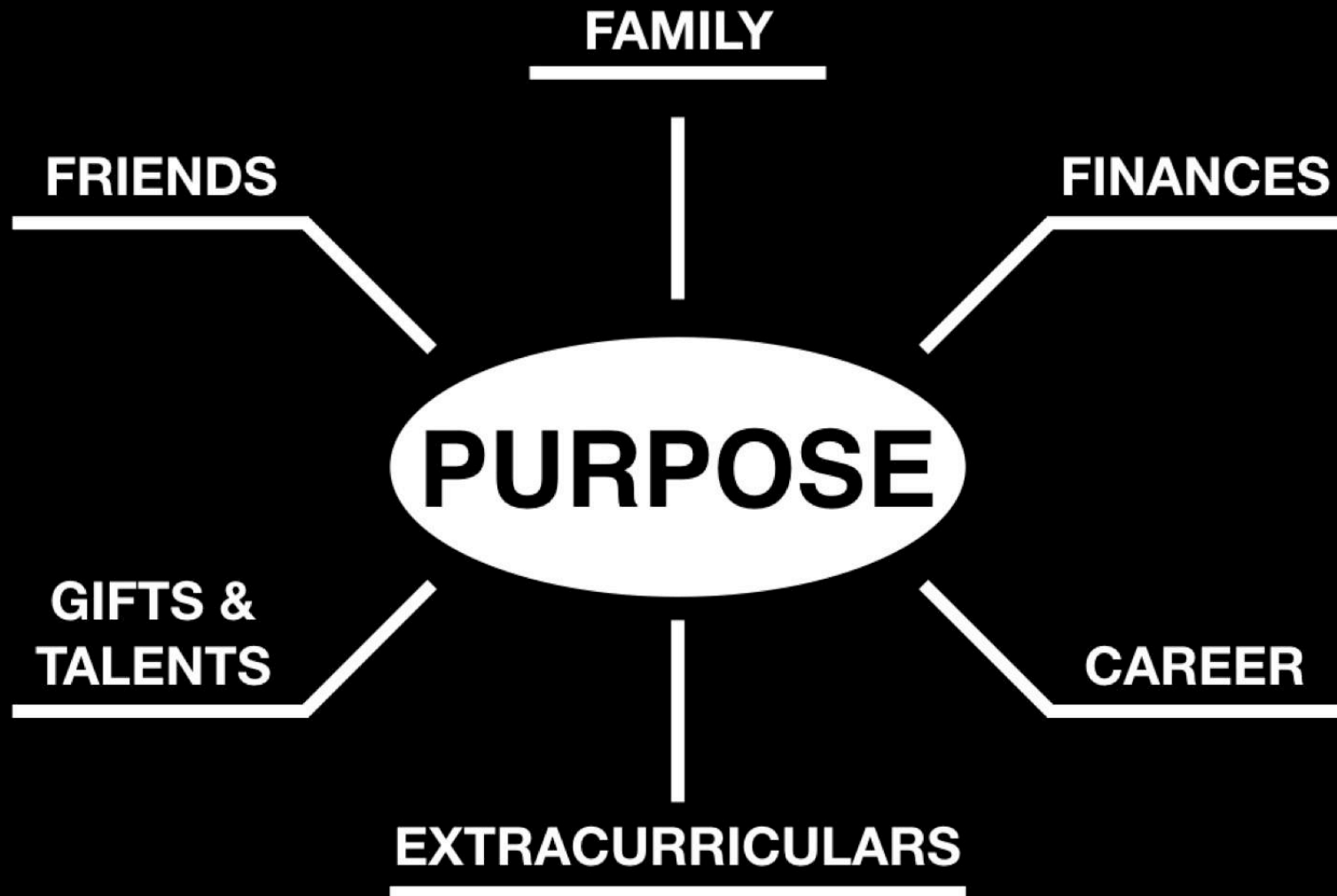
Teach us to **number our days**, that
we may gain a heart of **wisdom**.

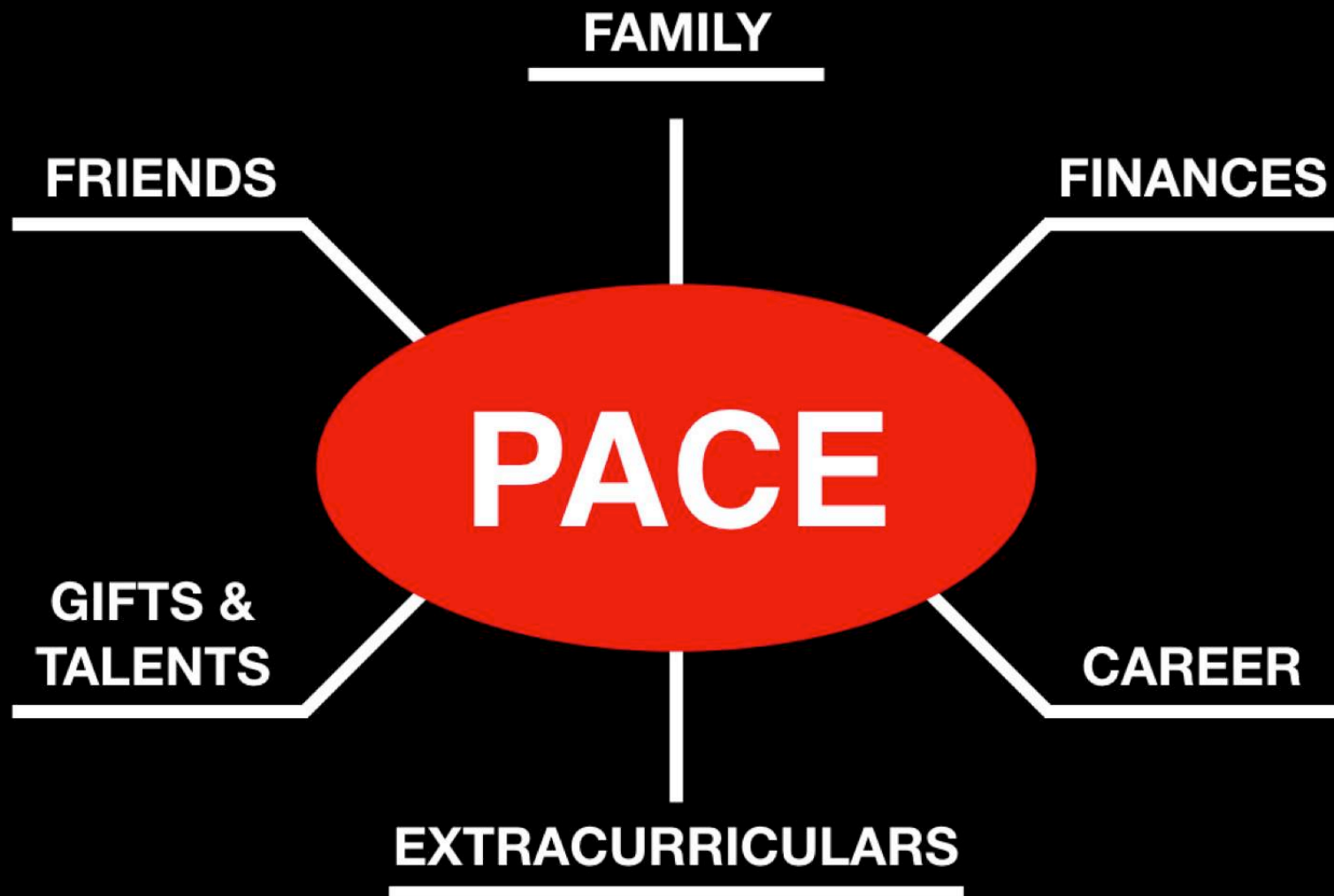
Psalms 90:12 NIV

Wisdom helps me see how the
parts of my life are connected
to the *purpose* of my life.



PURPOSE





Don't get so busy with the
pace of your life tending to
all the *parts* of your life that you
neglect the *purpose* of your life.

The next day Moses took his seat to serve as judge for the people, and they stood around him from morning till evening.

Exodus 18:13 NIV

When his father-in-law saw all that Moses was doing for the people, he said, “**What** is this you are doing for the people? **Why** do **you alone** sit as judge, while all these people stand around **you** from morning till evening?”

Exodus 18:14 NIV

Moses answered him, “Because the people come to **me** to seek God’s will.

Exodus 18:15 NIV

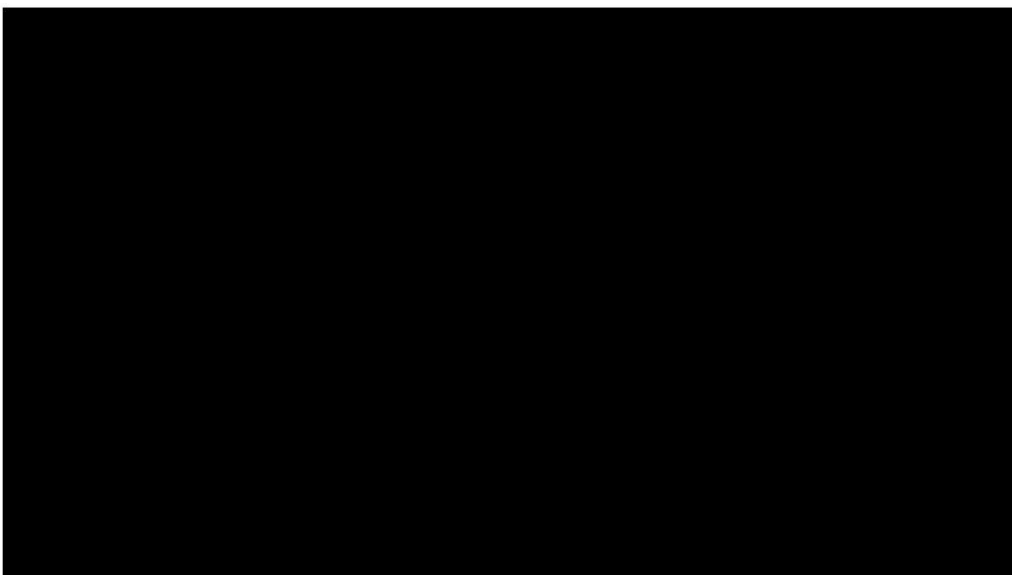
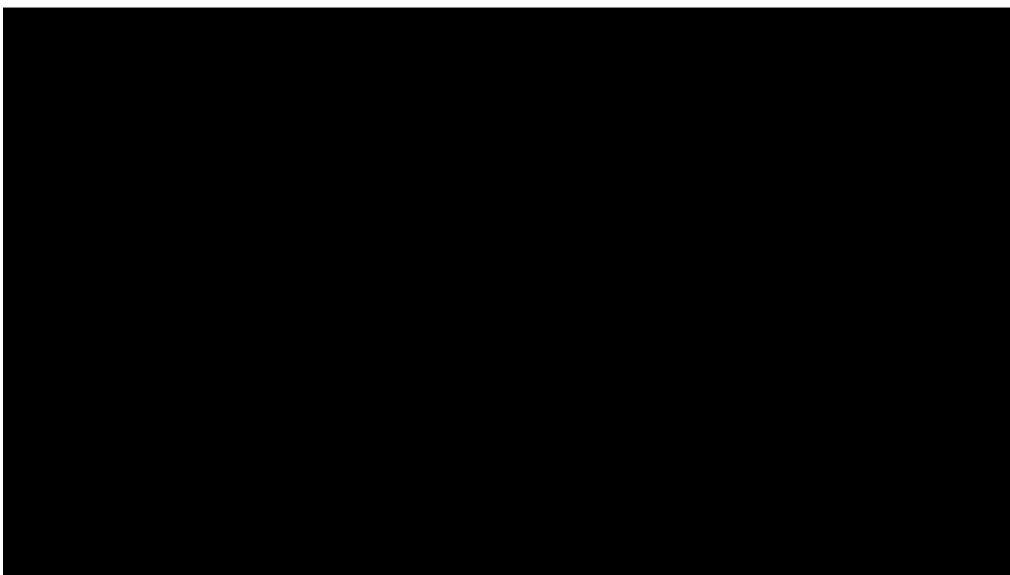
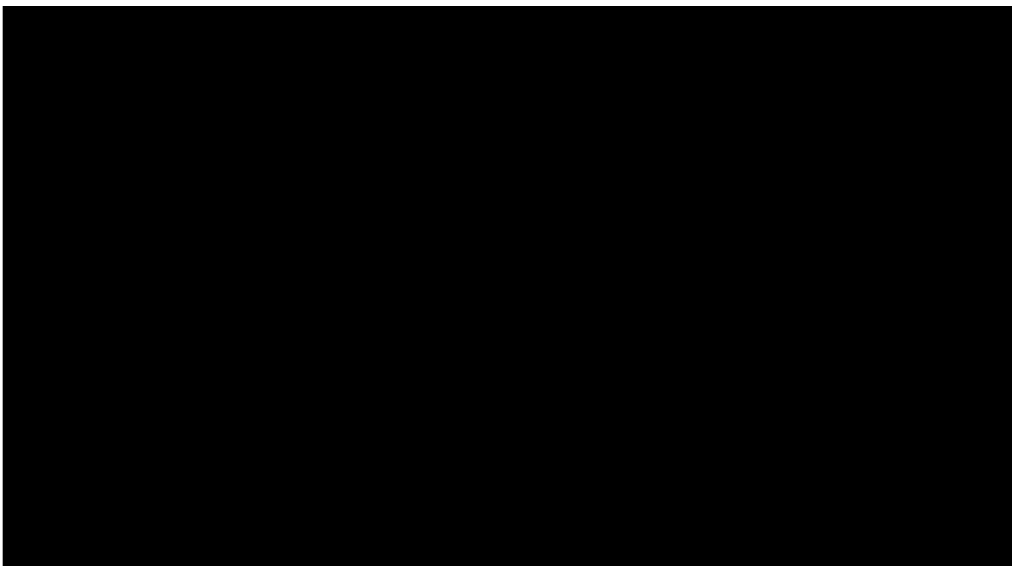
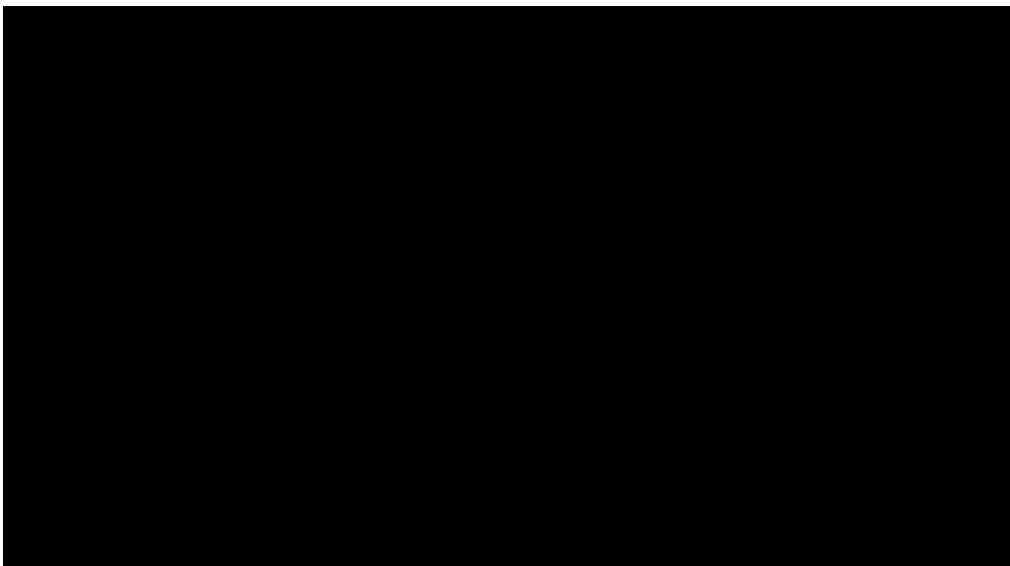
Whenever they have a dispute, it is brought to **me**, and **I** decide between the parties and inform them of God's decrees and instructions.”

Exodus 18:16 NIV

Moses' father-in-law replied, "What you are doing is **not good**."

Exodus 18:17 NIV

Don't confuse urgent
with important.



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You and these people who come to you will only **wear yourselves out**. The work is too heavy for you; you cannot handle it **alone**.

Exodus 18:18 NIV



Listen now to me and I will give you some advice, and may God be with you. You must be the people's representative before God and bring their disputes to him.

Exodus 18:19 NIV

Teach them his decrees and instructions, and show them the way they are to live and how they are to behave.

Exodus 18:20 NIV

But select capable men from all the people—men who fear God, trustworthy men who hate dishonest gain—and appoint them as officials over thousands, hundreds, fifties and tens.

Exodus 18:21 NIV

Have them serve as judges for the people at all times, but have them bring every difficult case to you; the simple cases they can decide themselves. That will make your load **lighter**, because they will share it with you.

Exodus 18:22 NIV

If you do this and God so
commands, you will be able to
stand the strain, and all these
people will go home **satisfied.**”

Exodus 18:23 NIV

Moses **listened** to his father-in-law
and **did** everything he said.

Exodus 18:24 NIV

Don't outpace your purpose.

Father, give me the wisdom to
know the right thing to do and
the courage to do it, even
when it's hard.