

Book review of *Do More Better: A Practical Guide to Productivity* by Tim Challies (Pub: Challies) 2015. Review by Jocelyn Bignill. 23/02/18.

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I bought *Do More Better* a year ago and it's been sitting on my shelf dripping with irony all year. So I decided it was time I finally sat down and read it as the academic year was starting to give myself a productivity gee-up. Tim Challies' book is a brief and highly practical guide for the Christian that wants to glorify God by being faithful with the tasks He has given them both in their personal and professional lives. The key to Challies' book is a three-pronged approach to organisation: a task management tool, a scheduling tool and an information tool. All of these work together to help you get organised and (perhaps more crucially) stay on task when your motivation begins to wane.

I'm a generally organised person, but I've found Challies' suggestions very helpful in using my time more productively. The key to the effectiveness of this book is actually following through with what he suggests, complete the 'Actions' he prompts throughout the book and give his system a proper go. Challies has made sure that he continually addresses people in a number of different situations and helpfully keeps pointing us back to our purpose as Christians in giving glory to God in everything we do, be it the mundane or the outstanding.