

Q&A: What is on your bucket list?

Nice. I had to look up "Bucket list" (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/The_Bucket_List). It's the list of things to do before you "kick the bucket."

It's an interesting question that speaks to my passions, my drive and passions, my priorities and call, and how I see accomplishment. I am in a season where I need to dwell on these things and so thank you for the question.

Here is a quick initial response. It will not be my final thoughts. You might want to ask me again in six months or so.

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I have categorised the list somewhat:

1) FORMATION

- * Spend a season (three months minimum) of on-the-ground travel, in two continents, with my wife.
- * Do more study (of a deeply applied theological sort.)
- * Spend a season of apprenticeship to a good and godly Christian leader (not necessarily of a church) of significant calibre (happy to receive suggestions as to who.)

2) ACHIEVEMENT

- * Witness and be present at significant moment's of my children's life (I'm not going to specify what – for that's their story, not mine).
- * Teach something significant to teachable people.
- * See at least one leader, whose formation I have participated in, impact a nation/society in a significant way.

3) NOSTALGIA

- * Return to England with my own family, while the children are still young, and meet family members I have not seen in a long

time.

* Shake Bob Hartman's hand (http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bob_Hartman) – his work was incredibly formative to me as a person.

4) FUN

- * Learn to ski
- * Cook a meal with Jamie Oliver
- * Experience a hot lap of Mt. Panorama
- * Discover, in real life, the following places:
 - the most awesome natural vista on earth
 - the most awesome architecture on earth
 - the most peaceful place on earth
 - the wildest place on earth

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