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- Easy access to resources often brings out the worst in us, as can be seen from Numbers 11:31-33.

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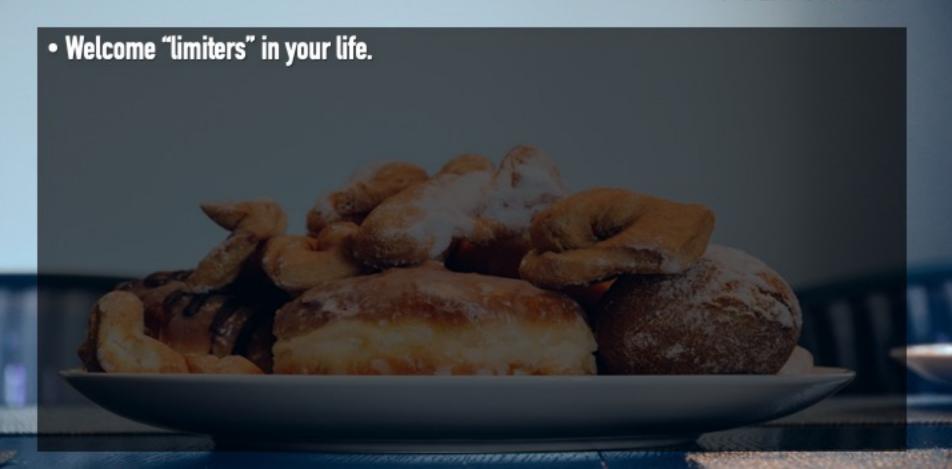
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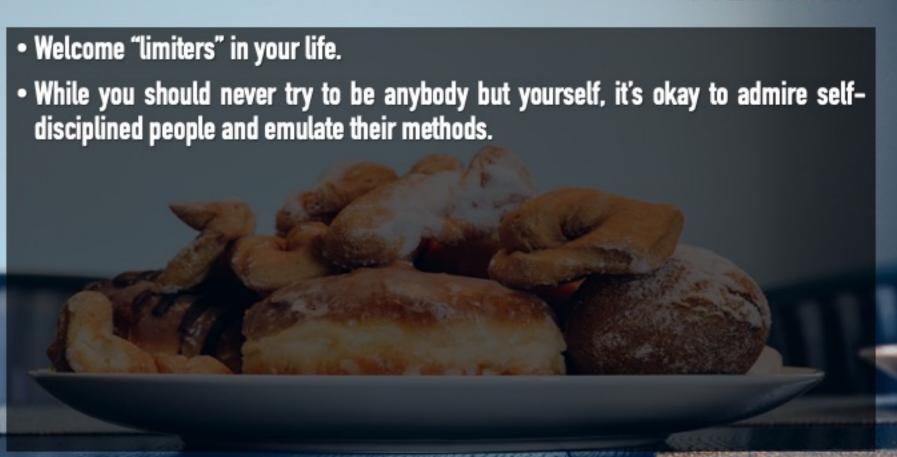
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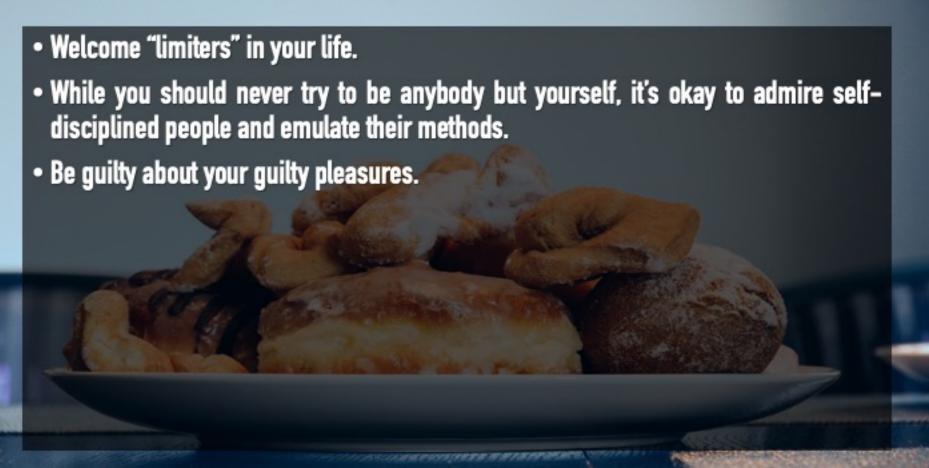
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- When I'm regularly using up gobs of resources in short spurts. The prodigal son took his inheritance and wastefully burned through it in remarkable fashion (Luke 15:13).

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