



**5 TIPS**   
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## Rules for the Road

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**0:00:00.4 Speaker 1:** Vacation season is upon us, and hopefully you'll get a break some time this summer to go do something fun, but even if you don't, I hope that there's a sense of vacation for you this summer as most of us take advantage of the summer. Actually, my family, my entire family, Sandra's parents, brother and sister, extended family, 17 of us, they all left yesterday to go to the beach, to go to Hilton Head without me, which should tell you how important you are to me that I stayed behind, but then I got to thinking or how unimportant I am that they went ahead to vacation and left me here. So what we're gonna do, in the spirit of summer vacation, in the spirit of summer vacation. Today's message is entitled, as I mentioned, Rules for the Road, Rules for the Road, five tips, five tips to ensure that you reach your destination safely, but of course, my real intent in this message is to take these Road Rules or Rules for the Road and apply them to our daily lives, because Tom Cochrane, who actually wrote that song is exactly right, the beginning of the song says this, life is like a road you're on. Life is like a road that you travel on, when there's one day here, and the next day gone.

**0:01:13.6 S1:** We only get to live each day one time, but the road of life or the adventure of life is actually more complicated than a highway because we are all born or we come equipped with rear-view mirrors, what we don't come equipped with is a reverse, right? There are no do-overs. You only get to do your 20s once and you look in the rear-view mirror and you see how you did your 20s, and you're like, would I like to go back and do some of that, and then you look and it's just park and it's drive and park is only momentary, but we just can't go back, you can't go back and re-do your 30s or that first marriage or raise your kids again, or raise that first child again, 'cause the third one came along and you thought, I think I kinda overloaded the first one. So we all have regrets because we all have a rear-view mirror, but there are no reverses, and some of us, if we're honest, it's temperament personality, we spend a way too much time looking in the rear-view mirror of our lives obsessing on our regrets.

**0:02:12.7 S1:** But the truth is, the future from this moment forward is like a road we're on, and it's what we do from this point forward that makes all the difference, and of course, we can learn from our mistakes, but you can't live your life looking in the rear-view mirror, just like you shouldn't drive