



YOUR GOD HONORING PASSION

KEY TAKE-AWAYS:

- Understanding the power of your passion.
- Getting clarity on your passions.

SUMMARY

In this module, we will uncover your passion for serving others. LifeMission is composed of your Potential/Passion/Purpose. Your Potential is about how you serve with your natural talent and experience. Your Purpose is about why you serve (aligned with God's purpose). Your Passion clarifies to whom or what your service will be oriented.

Passion is the most powerful human force. Your passion will propel you to act and keep you returning for more. Your passion is a natural motivation source that compensation nor recognition can overcome. Your LifeMission requires a source of power from within your heart. We need to aim our LifeMission at activities that hit our hearts.



MAKE IT PERSONAL

List your highest two passion indicators for each category. Be as specific as possible.

- **Types of People** (e.g., Youths, single, men, race, etc.) _____
- **Individual Needs** (e.g., Physical, Material, Emotional, etc.) _____
- **Community Needs** (e.g., Foster Care, Inner City, etc.) _____
- **Church or Ministry Needs** (e.g., Worship, Stewardship, Tech, etc.) _____
- **Organizational Preference** (e.g., Local Church, Marketplace, etc.) _____
- **Sphere of Service** (e.g., Neighborhood, International, etc.) _____
- **Role on the Team** (e.g., Donor, Business, Parallel Career, etc.) _____

Fill in the Passion Clarity Statement:

I want to be able to serve _____ or _____ as my primary targets. Through my service, I would like to help meet some personal needs like _____ and _____ or some community needs like _____ and _____. In my service to the church, I long to contribute to _____ or _____. My service would probably best flow through my involvement in a _____ or, perhaps, through a _____. I would be most energized if my efforts could be offered on a _____ basis. My ideal role would be as a _____ or as a _____ as part of the team.

Read your Passion Clarity Statement to your table. What insights are you gaining?

BATTLE READY Living:

- You are familiar with your passion for serving people and their specific needs.
- Your passion aligns with God's purpose.
- After further exploration and initiative, you renew your passion clarity statement for refinement.



LIFEMISSION & THE WORK OF THE KINGDOM

KEY TAKE-AWAYS:

- Understanding the distinction between faith and works.
- **Charting your Kingdom leadership development.**
- **Kingdom LifeMission Resume.**

SUMMARY

A fundamental of **BATTLE READY** is that Jesus' expectation for engagement in His Kingdom requires work. Many have questioned the "works focus" for **BATTLE READY**. We are not discussing our works as a pathway to Kingdom entrance. One can only enter through faith in Jesus.

"For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast. For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do." - Ephesians 2:8-10

With this concept in hand, we can treat the exploration of your LifeMission Kingdom work as we would in a work culture, beginning with your resume. God uses nearly every experience, both good and bad, to shape your LifeMission. For example, the Apostle Paul's experience included church experience, mentorship, low-cost probes (short-time experiences that explore possibilities), and a senior leadership position before his LifeLaunch into LifeMission. What are your roles and experiences to this point that have Kingdom relevance? It's time to build your resume!



MAKE IT PERSONAL

What's been your Kingdom Leadership Development?
Create your current Resume.

- Roles: _____
- Mentors: _____
- Low Cost Probes: _____
- Experiences/Events: _____
- Team Experiences: _____

BATTLE READY Living:

- You believe that God has prepared specific Kingdom work for you based on His design of you.
- You are familiar with your past roles and experiences and form through imagination how they will be leveraged for your LifeMission.



THE FOUR CHAIRS

KEY TAKE-AWAYS:

- Understanding the Four Chairs concept.
- **Staying “at the table” vs. retirement.**
- **Moving from Volunteer Worker to a Key Collaborator.**

SUMMARY

The Four Chairs have always been there. Perhaps this is the first time you’ve recognized the concept. A “table” exists for every business, non-profit, and church. You’re likely sitting in the Work Chair. That’s the chair at the table who commits the most time and effort to the enterprise. Next is the Wealth Chair. The person in this chair provides money for the funding of the operation. The “WOO” in WOO Chair stands for winning others over. This person who sits at this chair brings their network of friends to the table. The final chair is Wisdom. This person sitting in this chair has a rich history of making and overcoming mistakes. They provide guiding insight and likely come from the Work Chair.

Most people finish in the Work Chair and leave the table for retirement. Their influence has then ended. Depending on your experience and circumstances, you may have had the opportunity to sit in multiple seats at different Marketplace tables. If not, prepare to move to the Wealth Chair by gathering resources, the WOO Chair by accumulating relationships, and the Wisdom Chair by collecting experience. Many tables are available for your Kingdom LifeMission. You might even create your own. Think about which chair fits you best and position yourself to move.



MAKE IT PERSONAL

1. In your last round at the table, where were you sitting?

2. In your current role, where are you sitting?

3. Does your current chair feel right, given your history and talents?

BATTLE READY Living:

- You understand the Four Chairs, have thought about and are preparing for your next move at a particular table.
- In preparation for LifeMission, you've identified the chair that would provide the best fit.



KINGDOM LEADERSHIP - AUTHORITY OR INFLUENCE?

KEY TAKE-AWAYS:

- Kingdom leadership as a service-oriented focus.
- Understanding the difference between authority and influence.
- Considering a focus on increasing your influence.

SUMMARY

A key objective of **BATTLE READY** is a continuation of influence well into your senior years. Without that influence, your LifeMission will be much less effective.

Most leadership structures are based on authority. This construct can be traced to Moses in the Bible's Old Testament. Instead of Moses handling every leadership decision, his father-in-law suggested he spread followers between other leaders of lesser numbers of people to make more minor decisions. Authority-style leadership is limited. It also does not fit the servant leadership style Jesus desires of us (Matthew 20:22-28).

People follow authority leaders because they "have to." They follow influencers because they "want to." The influential leadership style is more powerful, loyal, and effective. It fits with Jesus' servant leadership mandate. Influence transcends every relationship, from your Spouse and kids to work and LifeMission. Your target is to be an influential leader. Focus on becoming exemplary in **BATTLEREADY**, which will translate to influence in LifeMission.



MAKE IT PERSONAL

1. Which area do you currently have the most influence in the **BATTLE READY** model?

2. What is your greatest challenge to gaining more influence?

BATTLE READY Living:

- You understand the servant-leadership style Jesus desires.
- You monitor and intentionally grow your influence by authentically living the words of Jesus.