



A FRESH UNDERSTANDING OF THE GREAT COMMISSION

KEY TAKE-AWAYS:

- Understanding the Great Commission of Jesus and what it means for your service.
- Begin deciphering your role focus: to the saved or unsaved.

SUMMARY

A Barna survey revealed that only 17% of churchgoers could describe the Great Commission of Jesus. Are you included in the 17%? The Great Commission is Jesus' final instruction to His disciples. It is our assignment too. The following is the Great Commission taken from blending Matthew 28:16-20 and Acts 1:6-9:

"...Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. So... they asked him, "Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?" Then Jesus came to them and said, "It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority... All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me... "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth... "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age..."

Go, make disciples (or followers), baptize, teaching them to obey summarizes Jesus' instruction. Your role in the Great Commission will be to participate with a LifeMission focused on saving the lost or disciplining the saved.



DISCUSSION

1. If you needed to decide now, how do you think your Potential/Passion/Purpose would best be used for the Great Commission:

- To participate in the introduction of the Gospel.
- To participate in the discipleship of people wanting to follow Jesus.

BATTLE READY Living:

- You believe the Great Commission applies to you and focuses on introducing the Gospel or disciplining people wanting to follow Jesus.
- You have integrated your LifeMission to have a Great Commission focus.



LIFEMISSION BRANDING

KEY TAKE-AWAYS:

- Your brand is a distinction that needs development in the Kingdom space, just like the Marketplace.
- Defining your brand is a shaping that considers your genius and values.

SUMMARY

When we are not in the room, others have a story they tell about us or keep in their mind about who we are, what we stand for, and ultimately how they can rely on us. This is a shaping of demand that emerges in our actions to our souls. What we want to be called on for is something that we spend our whole lives developing in an economy in this temporal existence. What if we were to shape our “calling card” in the Kingdom space so that our work is known as second to none? The special place where we play.

We are pursuing a brand that brings out the best of our genius so that the places where we play in our calling get the best of us and those we serve, a result better than they ever expected. So while some have proposed that you don’t want to be pigeonholed by a few things, our calling says the opposite. We are to go after the work we were made for and find the place where few can play.



DISCUSSION

1. What specialty do you have? Is it well-known, or does it need more exposure?

2. In thirty words, introduce yourself to the others in the same way you'd like them to introduce you.

BATTLE READY Living:

- You are focused on your brand development by increasing mastery and focus.
- Your brand is bringing providential opportunities that match your genius perfectly.



CALLING CONVERGENCE & YOUR PURPOSE

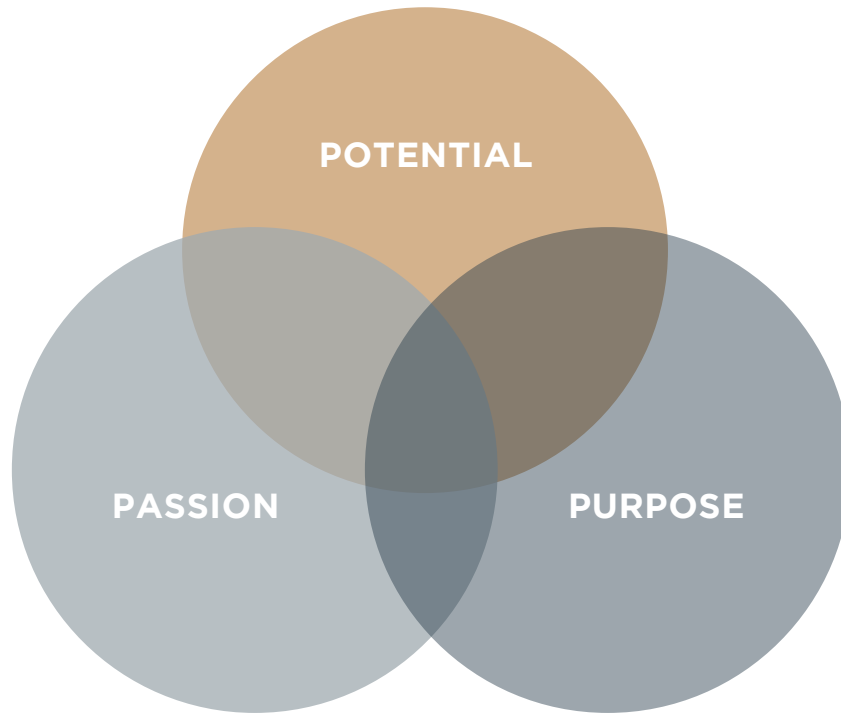
KEY TAKE-AWAYS:

- Understanding calling convergence for LifeMission.
- **Purpose direction:** mixing the Great Commission with the Great Commandments.
- Discovering your own Kingdom purpose.

SUMMARY

LifeMission is the triangulation of your Potential, Passion, and Purpose. God created your design, gave you His desires, and made you for a specific purpose. In our pursuit of uncovering what God has placed in you, we will explore each of the three areas.

For purpose direction, we look at what Jesus called the Great Commandments: Love God, Love People. We combined this with the object of the Great Commission: Make Disciples. Your purpose, once defined, must fulfill all three. Jesus' purpose was like this. Jesus' purpose could be described as "to testify to the truth and to seek and save the lost so that they may have life, and have it to the full" when blending the scriptures from Luke 19:10, John 10:10; 18:37, Blended)."



MAKE IT PERSONAL

Jot down a draft LifeMission purpose using the form below. Once drafted, edit it to make it your own.

To _____ so that _____.
your most significant contribution *your desired outcome*

BATTLE READY Living:

- You understand that your purpose is aligned with loving God, loving people, and making disciples.
- You believe God created you for a purpose - you've defined it and are living it.