

Ministry Passion

God cares for every need.

God chose to take a piece of His heart and put it into your heart in the form of a Ministry Passion.

Ministry Passion:

Ministry Passion is a heartfelt desire that compels us to make a difference for the Kingdom of God

Our Passion May...

- Right a Wrong
- Meet a Need
- Solve a Problem
- Serve a Cause
- Change a Life

God has a passion for us...

For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son - John 3:16

God also has a passion for the passion He puts in our hearts...

For it is God who works in you to will and to act according to his good purpose. - Philippians 2:13

The psalmist puts it this way...

Trust in the Lord and do good; dwell in the land and enjoy safe pasture. Delight yourself in the Lord and He will give you the desires of your heart. - Psalm 37:3-4

Jesus Himself promises...

If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be given you. - John 15:7

The apostle Paul had a God-given Ministry Passion to preach to the Gentiles (Galatians 1:15-16)

Other words you might use to communicate your Ministry Passion are:

Anger	Assignment	Burden
Call	Compassion	Destiny
Dream	Energy	God's Will
Impact	Inspired	Legacy
Motivated	Passion	Purpose
Significance	Vision	

***Remember... Ministry Passions are NOT Spiritual Gifts.
Spiritual Gifts are functions or tasks you perform.***

Ministry Passion Assessment

The purpose of this assessment is to assist you in the identification and articulation of your God-given Ministry Passion. The results will release greater motivation and enthusiasm in your life and ministry.

Directions

You may not be able to answer all of the questions. That is okay. The Assessment is designed to explore a variety of ways God speaks to us about our Ministry Passion. He has probably spoken to you in some of these ways, but not all of them.

Prayerfully consider your responses to each question.

Since this is an individual exercise, complete the assessment on your own (you can talk about it with others afterward).

There are no right or wrong answers. You have permission to say what is on your heart.

At this point, do not consider whether you could do it or how you could do it. All you need to do right now is name it.

Assume there are no obstacles to hinder you from fulfilling your heart's desire (Ministry Passion). Assume everything is taken care of... family, money, career, time, etc.

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If you could snap your fingers and know that you wouldn't fail, what would you do for others?

What do you repeatedly see that annoys or angers you, which if changed, would be more glorifying to God and edifying to others?

I care about some things more than other things. I care most about...

At the end of my life, I'd love to be able to look back and know I'd done something about...

List your top 5 most meaningful and positive life experiences. Briefly describe what you achieved and why it meant so much to you. (**Note:** Your experiences may have taken place at home, work, school, or during your free time. It may have been a clock you fixed or a dress you made. It may have been a puzzle you put together or an award you received. It may have been helping some friends move, building a house, winning an election, or giving to someone in need. Remember, list the experiences that you enjoyed doing and left you feeling fulfilled.)

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Ministry Passion Summary

Looking over your responses to the questions, what theme(s) or pattern(s) seem to be most evident and repeating?

Some Ministry Passions can be centred around a people group or a social issue. Consider these partial lists and indicate any that tug at your heart. It is okay if you do not have a desire to make a difference in any of these areas.

People Groups

Infants
 Children
 Youth
 College Students
 Young Marrieds
 Teen Moms
 Divorced
 Single Parents
 Career Women
 Parents
 Empty Nesters

Elderly
 Poor
 Widowed
 Singles
 Unemployed
 Prisoners
 Refugees
 Homeless
 Disabled
 Hospitalized

People Groups

Environment
 Discipleship
 Violence
 Education
 Child Care
 Reaching the Lost
 Poverty
 Hunger
 AIDS
 Injustice
 Addictions
 Technology
 Family
 Literacy
 Homosexuality
 Politics
 Racism
 Economics
 Health Care
 Abortion
 Nutrition

Based on your response to this assessment, which ONE of these Ministry Passion Categories best reflects your area of passion?

Check	Passion Categories	Description
	Celebration Ministries	The heart of these ministries is directed toward God by engaging the church in the Word, worship, song, the arts, etc.
	Outreach Ministries	The heart of these ministries is focused on relating, reaching and connecting unbelievers and the unchurched to a relationship with Christ and His church.
	Connecting Ministries	The heart of these ministries is assimilating visitors, attendees, and members into a relationship with Christ and the church through hospitality, fellowship, belonging, and encouragement.
	Equipping Ministries	The heart of these ministries is maturing believers in the area of their gifts, ministry, training, and leadership. It serves a variety of life-stage and affinity-based groups for growth, accountability, and service.
	Caring Ministries	The heart of these ministries is assisting people in the church and community with their physical, emotional, relational, and spiritual health through the grace, love, and resources of the kingdom.
	Supporting Ministries	The heart of these ministries is freeing other people, leaders, and ministries from practical concerns to keep focused on their ministry goals. They involve structuring the systems and procedures to service.

Once you have identified your Ministry Passion, add it to your Servant Profile.

Passion without action... is merely a dream
 Action without passion... passes the time
 Passion with action... can change the world!
Author Unknown

Sample List of Ministry Passions

- Abortion
- Abused women
- Accessibility
- Addiction
- Animals
- Beauty and order
- Child care
- Children
- Children in need
- Church
- College & University students
- Connecting people
- Connecting with people who don't know Jesus
- Crisis & Trauma care
- Incarcerated men & women
- Intercultural
- Intervention
- Discipleship
- Divorce
- Economics
- Education
- Elderly
- Empty nesters
- Environment
- Family
- Fellowship
- Food poverty
- Relationship harmony
- Health Care
- Street involved men & women
- Hospice care
- Hospitalized
- Infants
- Injustice
- International ministry
- Leadership development
- LGBTQ+
- Literacy
- Mentoring
- Missions
- Parents
- Politics
- Poverty
- Racism
- Refugees
- Single parents
- Singles