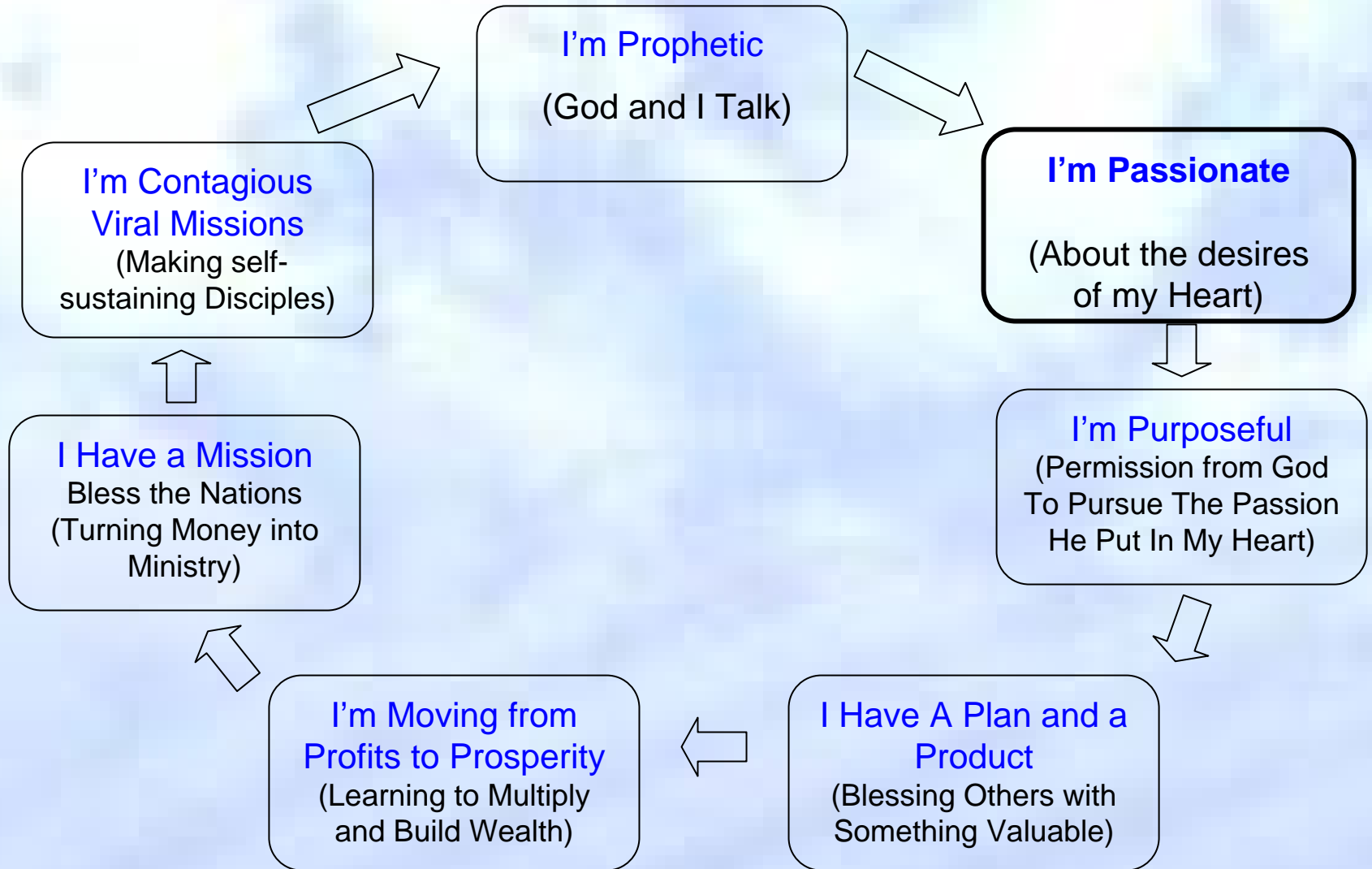


I'm Passionate

From Desire to Destiny
Key #2

Desire to Destiny – Seven Keys To Your Marketplace Ministry



10 Steps to Passion

Passion – Allowing your heart's desire to come true.

- Like yourself – God does
- Becoming You (vs. earning acceptance through change)
- Finding God in your heart
- Make a plan around your heart's desire
- How to Encourage Your heart
- Making dreams come true
- You have to “Ask”
- You have to Try
- Step into the Emotion of your Passion (Get excited)
- Step into the purpose of your passion

1. Like yourself – God does

You're a treasure, God delights in you

- "The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field. When a man found it, he hid it again, and then in his joy went and sold all he had and bought that field. Matt 13:44
- No longer will they call you Deserted, or name your land Desolate. But you will be called Hephzibah, and your land Beulah; **for the LORD will take delight in you,**
- and your land will be married. Isa 62:4

Your Valuable to God – He bought you with a price

- "Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant looking for fine pearls. 46 When he found one of great value, he went away and sold everything he had and bought it. Matt 13:45-46

Ten expressions of "God's Treasures" in the Kingdom

Networking (divine appointments)	Favor
Heart's desire	Persistence
Vision	Fun Loving
Enthusiasm	Witnessing
Abundance	Beyond prophetic

2. Becoming You (vs. earning acceptance through change)

To them God has chosen to make known among the Gentiles the glorious riches of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. Col 1:27

God Clothes us

"And why do you worry about clothes? See how the lilies of the field grow. They do not labor or spin. 29 Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these. 30 If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, will he not much more clothe you, O you of little faith? Mt 6:28-30

How “all things are given to us”

But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. 34 Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own. Matt 6:33-34

3. Finding God in your heart

If I'm inherently sinful; my heart's desires have to be corrupt

Discern the Lie – (I have to forsake my will to do God's will) (quote on 53)

The LORD smelled the pleasing aroma and said in his heart: "Never again will I curse the ground because of man, even though every inclination of his heart is evil from childhood. Gen 8:21

"For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways," declares the LORD. 9 "As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts. Isa 55:8-9

Motivation starts when you engage the passion of your heart (God's design)

Wholeness – God loves to connect us to the desires of our heart

Delight yourself in the LORD and he will give you the desires of your heart. Ps 37:4

He fulfills the desires of those who fear him; he hears their cry and saves them. Ps 145:19

If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be given you. 8 This is to my Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples. John 15:7-8

Pursuing Your Heart - Jacobs Example (Gen 30)

1. Acknowledge your Heart's desire

But now, when may I do something for my own household? Gen 30:30

God wants to give you that which is your own.

And if you have not been faithful in what is another man's, who will give you what is your own? Luke 16:12 NKJV

2. Jacob is weaned from wages “don't give me anything vs. 31

3. The business contracts

- The dream
- Quit his job
- Multiplies his wealth (via goats)
- Entrepreneurial creativity (Gen 30:37-42)

4. Results:

- From – 14 years at a low wage changed 10 times (Gen 31:7)
- To – In 6 yrs “Exceedingly prosperous (Gen 30:43)

4. Make a plan around your heart's desire

1. Growing up spiritually – you have a will, desires and a plan

Servants keep their heart's neutral to "obey"

Kings share God's desires and engage their hearts and passion

2. God likes your initiative and Plans

To man belong the plans of the heart, but from the LORD comes the reply of the tongue.

All a man's ways seem innocent to him, but motives are weighed by the LORD.

Commit to the LORD whatever you do, and your plans will succeed. Prov 16:1-3

Prov 16:9, Ps 37:4-5, Ps 37:23-24

3. It's my responsibility to put together a plan around the desires of my heart's passion

Religious spirit – oppose your heart's desire (oppressive, life-killing bondage)

Living your dream – alive, creative, prosperous, contagious, generous, and fun

4. We "delight" to do God's will

6 Sacrifice and offering You did not desire; My ears You have opened. Burnt offering and sin offering You did not require. 7 Then I said, "Behold, I come; In the scroll of the book it is written of me. 8 I delight to do Your will, O my God, And Your law is within my heart." Ps 40:6-8 NKJV

5. How to Encourage Your heart

Healthy envy – recognize your own call in others

Follow my example, as I follow the example of Christ. (I Co 11:1)

. . . for in Christ Jesus I became your father through the gospel. Therefore I urge you to **imitate me**. (I Corinthians 4:15–16)

*Join with others in **following my example**, brothers (Philippians 3:17)*

***You became imitators** of us and of the Lord... (I Thessalonians 1:6)*

*We did this, not because we do not have the right to such help, but in order to make ourselves **a model for you to follow**. (II Thessalonians 3:9)*

*We do not want you to become lazy, but to **imitate** those who through faith and patience inherit what has been promised. (Hebrews 6:12)*

It's OK to “serve others” until you find your vision
(faithful in that which is another man's)

6. “Making” dreams come true

a. Changing my sleep dreams

b. Changing real life (the nature of intercession)

... By adding the necessary resurrections after life's setbacks

'The kingdom of heaven is near.' 8 Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse those who have leprosy, drive out demons. Freely you have received, freely give. Matt 10:7-8

c. Changing “me” from servant to King

God wants to grant my heart's desire

At that time you won't need to ask me for anything, for you can go directly to the Father and ask him, and he will give you what you ask for because you use my name. You haven't tried this before, [but begin now]. Ask, using my name, and you will receive, and your cup of joy will overflow. John 16:22-24
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7. You have to “Ask”

a. Recognizing discouragement

How long, O LORD, must I call for help, but **you do not listen?** Hab 1:2-4 NIV

b. Hope – Moving on to Vs 5

"Look at the nations and watch — and be utterly amazed. For I am going to do something in your days that you would not believe, even if you were told. Hab 1:5

c. I'm receiving what is not here yet

Though the fig tree does not bud and there are no grapes on the vines, though the olive crop fails and the fields produce no food, though there are no sheep in the pen and no cattle in the stalls, 18 **yet I will rejoice in the LORD, I will be joyful in God my Savior.** Hab 3:16-18

d. Positioning my faith to ask... for the desires of my heart

"Ask and it will be given to you; Matt 7:7-11

My confession – “I’m not afraid to ask”... for the desires of my heart

You have to Try

Question – What makes it OK for you to not even try?

Answer – a theology for giving up (surrender to_____)

- I'm carnal so I'm letting go and letting God
- My heart and mind are too sinful to trust
- I'm waiting for God's intervention / answer

a. Our heart and minds are the Place God writes His plan

(Heb 10:16, Ezek 36:26-27)

b. God put a dream in your DNA – What is it?

I'm replacing surrender with contending / trying

c. Trying means asking, seeking, and knocking on doors

I'm willing to try something God put on my heart (lu 11:9-13)

d. Decide now how you'll respond to your first failure

for though a righteous man falls seven times, he rises again, but the wicked are brought down by calamity. Prov 24:16, Job 5:17-19, Ps 34:19-20, Ps 37:23-24

9. Step into the Emotion of your Passion

(Get excited)

God is not a stoic

10. Step into the purpose of your passion