

# Discovering Your Passion



*Our mission at RMCC is to do God's will and finish His work by equipping and mobilizing people for works of service. We were meant to be a people "on the move" and at RMCC we'll give you the tools to move with purpose and passion!*



# UNCOVERING MY PASSION WORKBOOK

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This booklet will assist you in gaining an understanding of your God-given Passion. It is important to realize that we are all at different places in our journey, so identifying and articulating your Passion is a process for you.

In the past, you may have expressed your Passion to someone whose response caused you to suppress it, or you may have suppressed it yourself. Some of your reasons for this might have been:

- You were too old, or too young
- You didn't have enough education
- You had children

The list can go on and on.

As a maturing follower of Jesus Christ pursuing three vital relationships; intimacy with God, community with believers, influence in the world, allow the Holy Spirit to help you identify your Passion.

The following questions are meant to guide you in the assessment of your Passion. Take a few moments in prayer before you read through these questions; speak with God about your Passion for ministry in the church or community.

## ***Directions:***

1. Prayerfully consider your answers.
2. Complete the assessment.
3. There are no right or wrong responses.
4. Complete the assessment as if there are no obstacles to fulfilling your heart's desire.

# PASSION ASSESSMENT

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## *Motivated*

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***Please select the areas that motivate you.***

- Acquire/Possess      I love to shop, collect, or obtain things. I enjoy getting the highest quality for the best price.
- Design (Art)      I love to conceptualize, picture, draw, paint, photograph, compose, or make renderings.
- Create      I love to make something out of nothing. I enjoy getting something started from scratch.
- Excel      I love to be the best and make my team the best. I enjoy setting and attaining high standards.
- Follow the rules      I love to operate by policies & procedures. I enjoy meeting the expectations of an organization.
- Improve/Develop      I love to make things better. I enjoy taking something already designed and improving it.
- Influence      I love to convert people to my way of thinking. I enjoy shaping the attitudes of others.
- Lead/Take Charge      I love to lead the way, oversee and supervise. I enjoy determining how things will be done.
- Operate/Maintain      I love to efficiently maintain something that is already organized.
- Organize      I love to bring order out of chaos. I enjoy organizing something that is already started.
- Perform      I love to be on stage and receive the attention of others. I enjoy being in the limelight.
- Persevere      I love to see things to completion. I enjoy persisting at something until it is finished.
- Pioneer      I love to test and try out new concepts. I am not afraid to risk failure.
- Prevail      I love to fight for what is right and oppose what is wrong. I enjoy overcoming injustice.
- Repair      I love to fix what is broken or change what is out of date.
- Serve/Help      I love to assist others in their responsibilities. I enjoy helping others succeed.

## People

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*What groups do I have an interest in? (Limit answers to three)*

Abuse Victims	Hospitalized	Prisoners
Adults	Infants	Seekers
Business Professionals	Internationals	Seniors
Career Women	Men	Single Parents
Children	Middle Schoolers	Singles
College Students	Minorities	Street Kids
Couples	Missionaries	Teen Moms
Disabled	New Believers	Unemployed
Divorced	New Church Members	Visitors to church
Empty Nesters	New Parents	Widows/Widowers
Engaged Couples	Newlyweds	Women
Grieving	Parents	Young Adults
High Schoolers	Parents of Teens	Other: _____
Homeless	Poor	Other: _____

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## Issues

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*What issues do I feel strongly about? (Limit answers to three)*

Abortion Awareness	Family Issues	Marriage Issues
Addictions	Financial Issues	Parenting
Administration	Health Care	Politics
AIDS	Homosexuality	Poverty
Arts	Housing	Practical Projects
Child Care	Human Rights	Prisons
Counseling	Hunger	Racism
Creative Projects	Injustice	Reaching the Lost
Defending the Faith	International Issues	Social Issues
Discipleship	Interpersonal Relations	Technology
Divorce Care	Legal Issues	Teen Concerns
Economic	Literacy	Terminal Illnesses
Education	Ministry Involvement	Violence
Environment	Missions	Worship

**Other(s):** \_\_\_\_\_

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# Assessment Summary

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*Narrow your selections to one or two within the following passion areas:*

**Motivated Passion:**

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**People Passion:**

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**Issues Passion:**

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Instructions: Write a statement that connects your three passion areas:

Example:

*Mike has a motivated passion to **Influence**, a people passion for **New Believers**, and an issues passion for **Worship**. Therefore, a statement that would connect his three passions might read:*

***“My passion is to influence or shape new believers in their knowledge of and participation in worship.”***

**My Passion statement:**

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# UNCOVERING MY PASSION

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- My Passion is **GOD-GIVEN**.
- My Passion answers the **WHERE** question. Where God is calling me to serve.

## *Passion Exercise*

Instructions: Read the scripture below and summarize how and where passion is exhibited.

Paul: Phil 1:21-26

Peter: Mt 17:4, Mt 14:22-32

Aquila & Priscilla: Acts 18:2-3, 11, 18, Rom 16:3

Samaritan Woman: John 4:25-30, 39

Ruth: Ruth 1:15-18, Ruth 2:3: 3:9-13

Nehemiah: Neh 1:3-4, 2:4-5, Neh 2:17-18

Woman with the issue of blood: Mark 5:25-34

## ***Definition of Passion***

Passion is the God-given desire (*purpose/interest/satisfaction*) that compels us to make a difference (*action/serving*) in a particular area within the community or in the church (*need/opportunity*).

### Definition of Passion

**P**  
Purpose  
**A**  
Action  
**S**  
Serving  
**S**  
Satisfaction  
**I**  
Interests  
**O**  
Opportunity  
**N**  
Need

## ***Identifying Passion***

Answer the following questions honestly, without any reservations of time, resources or ability. These questions are meant to help focus your thoughts and imaginations, so that you will be able to clearly see your passion.

Think about people in your life that are passionate about something. Who are they and what are they passionate about?

Name

Passion

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_

## *Passion Indicator Questions*

1. If I had unlimited resources and knew I could not fail, what would I do with my life?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
2. At the end of my life, I'd love to be able to look back and know that I had done something about. . .
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
3. If your name was mentioned to a group of your friends, what would they say you were really interested in or passionate about?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
4. What subject causes you to sit at the edge of your chair, raise your voice, exaggerate your body language, stay up late at night, or get up early in the morning?

### *Summary:*

Based on the above answers, what can you conclude about a passion area for you?

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## *Passion in My Life*

There are activities we engage in throughout our day that support the living out of our passion.

## *A Day In My Life*

*Take a moment to list the activities you engage in during a typical day in your life.*

5:00am	_____
6:00am	_____
7:00am	_____
8:00am	_____
9:00am	_____
10:00am	_____
11:00am	_____
12:00pm	_____
1:00pm	_____
2:00pm	_____
3:00pm	_____
4:00pm	_____
5:00pm	_____
6:00pm	_____
7:00pm	_____
8:00pm	_____
9:00pm	_____
10:00pm	_____
11:00pm	_____

These questions are meant to assist you in focusing your activities toward accomplishing your passion.

1. Where is your passion being demonstrated during the day? Or is it?
2. What opportunities are you missing in living out your passion during the day?
3. What activities have you engaged in over the last week that support your passion areas?
4. How can you use these activities that you listed above to be an instrument of God's love and grace to the person or people that you are with?

# *Passion Summary*

1. Passion Statement (from page 5)

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2. Passion Indicator Questions Summary (from page 8)

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3. Passion in My Life Summary (from page 9)

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4. Based on all that you have learned, what do you conclude is a passion area for you?

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5. What are two action steps you will take toward active involvement in your passion area?

A. \_\_\_\_\_

B. \_\_\_\_\_



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