

MY OPUS

“A master in the art of living draws no sharp distinction between his work and his play; his labor and his leisure; his mind and his body; his education and his recreation. He hardly knows which is which. He simply pursues his vision of excellence through whatever he is doing, and leaves others to determine whether he is working or playing. To himself, he always appears to be doing both.”

L.P. Jacks

Overarching Vision (My Big Dream)

I have a dream. I woke up this morning, like I do every morning, with a burning passion. A passion to help others find their way and walk in the wonderful will of God for their lives. I love what I do. I have a perpetual smile on my face and deep within my heart. I am speaking, teaching, mentoring, coaching, and leading others to get unstuck and find their unique gifts, skills, and abilities.

I live a life of abundance. I am providing for my family and leaving an inheritance for everyone that I touch. I give generously, of my finances, of my time. I am sharing my heart, and the love that God has deposited inside of it. My life and the fruit of it are a river, flowing.

My marriage is a wonderful example of Christ's love. My beautiful wife, secure in God's love, beams with joy, she is living her OPUS, and by her example, our three little girls are seeing and experiencing what it means to be a loving, thriving, purposeful woman of God.

Our three little girls are living God's purpose for their lives. They are not chasing worldly success, but seeking Godly significance. Unabashed, unafraid, unconcerned with tomorrow's provision because they know that God will always provide for them. They know their gifts, their purpose, and they are living with integrity in pursuing them. They are exactly who God made them to be.

God is using me to show others that, in this life, pain is not only normal, but necessary. My tribe knows that God loves them, has a unique plan for them, and that they are fearfully and wonderfully made. I have a dream that those who never had an earthly father, had an ineffective father, were never loved by their earthly father, or those who, like me, were neglected, abused or abandoned by their fathers, have come to know the love of their heavenly father.

I have a dream that those without hope yesterday, are this day overcoming their hurts as they learn to suffer well. They have overcome the lies, the half truths, the labels, the

limiting beliefs that had, up until now, kept them stuck and prevented them from living their dreams.

I am who God made me to be. I'm leaving a legacy. I have found my way, I know my why, and I am living a life of purpose: helping others find their way.

Purpose (The Defining Statement of my Work)

Leading the way to find your why

Over-Arching Vision (My Big Dream)

Tribe (who)

(imagine) A tribe that has a burning desire to find their way, know their why, and live a life of significance. A tribe that finds it's wings and has the courage to be free, and overcome the lies that have kept them from living their unique purpose. A tribe that passionately develops the will to to live in the fullness of it's God given potential and longs to help others do the same. A tribe that uses it's talent and resources for a cause greater than themselves. *A tribe who knows that God's plan for them is greater than their own.*

Cause

(imagine) a cause built to help people find their way. A cause designed to connect the heart, soul, and spirit to it's authentic self. A cause that awakens the giant within through the process of discovering Gods unique plan and purpose. A cause that births the dormant dreams within. A cause that provides a plan for moving into purpose.

Space

(imagine) a space where limiting beliefs are overcome. A space saturated with the Spirit of God, and soaked in an abundance of authentic souls who revel in the process of overcoming the obstacles that once obscured their true gifts and identities: *where envy and comparisons do not exist.* A space where gifts, once discovered, are freely given away in love.

Unifying Strategies (What's necessary for me to achieve this?)

Develop Self: Because I can only give what I have, I will continue to invest into my own personal development and the process of becoming the person that I was meant to be. By leading myself first, I am better equipped to lead others and serve them well.

Develop Resources: Because I need to multiply my impact on others, I will create content and resources that enables others to get unstuck, overcome, and find their way to a life of purpose.

Develop Leaders: By helping other leaders find their way, I help them become better equipped to encourage and help others do the same.

Develop Partnerships: Because teamwork makes the dream work, in order to have maximum impact, I will develop synergistic relationships by connecting and collaborating with like-minded team members and partners.

Scorecard for Significance (How do I know I'm hitting my target?)

Personal Growth:

Spiritual: Meet with God before I meet with people. Prioritize my relationship with God daily through prayer, study, meditation, and practical application to ensure that I stay on course and in the path that he has laid out for me in fulfilling HIS purpose on earth.

Physical: Maintain physical fitness through proper diet and exercise.

Relationships: Be the husband, father, and friend that I am called to be.

Thoughts: Continue to seek out and learn from teachers, mentors and coaches who exemplify personal growth and lead by example.

Develop Resources:

Create written, audio, and digital content that convicts, encourages and inspires others to engage in and embrace the process of finding the way to their why.

Produce podcasts and video coaching modules.

Share my journey and insights through writing, journaling and/or blogging.

Develop Leaders

Teaching—Share truth for others to consider, learn, and grow from.

Coaching—Utilize the coaching process to help others find their way, discover their strengths and develop them to their fullest potential.

Mentoring—Share my experience, the successes and the failures, and the wisdom that I gained from them in order to help others better navigate the challenges in their lives.

Develop Partnerships:

Add value to the communities that I am a part of.

Continue to seek out communities where I can learn, grow, and contribute.

Look for opportunities to develop communities that meet a need and benefit others.

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Worldview-What I believe

- I believe that God is in control of all things. He designed and created us in His image. God loves us, desires to have a relationship with us, and he has a unique plan for each of us.
- I believe that Jesus Christ is God. He lived a sinless life, and He died to save humanity. He was resurrected from the dead and sent the Holy Spirit to comfort and guide us.
- I believe that the Holy Spirit is a distinct person and equal to God the Father and Jesus Christ. That He instructs, empowers, gives wisdom, and reveals God's truth.
- I believe that God loves us and wants us to learn to love like Him.
- I believe that family is the place where we must learn and demonstrate the love of God by serving, sacrificing, and putting the needs of our families before our own agenda's.
- I believe that everyone has a unique purpose, and true success in life is found in discovering and living out that unique purpose.
- I believe that God gave us dominion over the earth and has provided everything that we need to realize it.
- I believe that our thoughts matter. We will never grow higher than the level of our thinking.
- I believe that we must make the choice to choose the pain of discipline, which is a pain that we control, or we will experience the painful consequences of not doing so.
- I believe that we must learn to embrace and suffer well through the lessons our pain, our mistakes, and our losses, are meant to teach us.
- I believe that our work should serve God as we embody the purpose that he has masterfully created for us.

- I believe that time is our most valuable resource. It is more important than silver and gold, and we should value it as such.
- I believe that we are all responsible and accountable for the decisions that we make.

Identity-Who I am

- I am a child of God, and I can do all things through Jesus Christ who strengthens me.
- I am a husband who is dedicated to his wife and committed to loving her as Christ loves the church.
- I am a father to three wonderful daughters and I am committed to love and provide for them in every way.
- I am an authentic person who lives by his values and beliefs.
- I am a loyal friend committed to helping my friends discover their purpose.
- I am a coach who helps others find their way.
- I am a mentor and teacher who tells it like it is. I am honest and open about who I am, what I have done, what I can do, and what I cannot do.
- I am a speaker who uses his gifts and abilities to help others find their way.
- I am an achiever who is driven to work diligently, reliable and dependable, and I am determined to be my best and help others do the same.
- I believe that a life of purpose is more valuable than money, and I believe that I can influence others to live a life that really matters.
- I am responsible, honest, loyal, and I can be counted on to do whatever I say I will do.
- I am inspired by what could be in the future, and I love to help others envision what could be in the months, years, and decades to come.
- I am connected. We are all connected, in our joy and our pain. There are no coincidences, and everything happens for a reason.

Principles-What I value

- I value God above everything
- I value my marriage and the life-long commitment to my wife
- I value my family and want them to know me best and love me the most
- I value people and adding value to them
- I value wisdom as it helps me to chart the course of my life
- I value time and strive to make the most of it.
- I value the freedom to choose how I will invest my time, talents, and resources.
- I value honesty in all things.
- I value integrity. Talent may help you achieve success, but good character will allow you to maintain it.
- I value discipline for mastering it is the key that opens every door.
- I value people who are transparent, open and honest.
- I value communicating and receiving information in a clear, concise manner.

- I value focusing on and developing strengths.

Passion-What I love?

- I love God.
- I love Jesus for the sacrifice that he made for me.
- I love my wife and kids and the privilege of guiding them towards their purpose.
- I love pouring into others and helping them find their way.
- I love helping others discover and develop their strengths.
- I love leading by example and influencing others to do the same.
- I love achieving goals.
- I love learning from the knowledge, experiences, mistakes, and triumphs of others.
- I love developing my strengths, gifts, and talents.
- I love laughter.
- I love Truth.
- I love knowing that I am making my life matter.
- I love working and sharing with like-minded people.

Purpose-Why I live and work

- I live to love others as God loves me
- I live to express my faith through my words and actions
- I live to fulfill my purpose and become the person that God created me to be
- I live to honor my wife and her dreams
- I live to leave a Godly inheritance for my children
- I live to help others discover and develop their strengths
- I live to restore the hope that any obstacle can be overcome
- I live to help others overcome their limiting beliefs
- I live to help others find their way.
- I live to help others see their purpose and propel them toward it
- I live to help others embrace and appreciate the process of change
- I live to help others author their OPUS