

WORDS MATTER
Difference Makers – Part 3

POWERFUL STATEMENT #1: PERHAPS God!

“Jonathan said to his young armor-bearer, ‘Come, let’s go over to the outpost of those uncircumcised men. Perhaps God will act in our behalf. Nothing can hinder the Lord from saving, whether by many or by few.’” 1 Samuel 14:6

POWERFUL STATEMENT #2: I am with you HEART and SOUL.

“Do all that you have in mind,’ his armor-bearer said, ‘Go ahead; I am with you heart and soul.’” 1 Samuel 14:7

Which one best describes you? **“Perhaps God”**

“Heart and Soul”

PRACTICAL QUESTION #1: What is my MOTIVATION?

“Never let selfishness or pride be your guide when you do things.” Philippians 2:3

“If you want to be my follower, you must put aside your selfish ambition, shoulder your cross, and then follow me.” Matthew 16:24

PRACTICAL QUESTION #2: Does it fit my PURPOSE and CALLING?

“Anyone who lets himself be distracted from the work I plan for him is not fit for the Kingdom of God.” Luke 9:62

“You, Lord, give perfect peace to those who keep their purpose firm and put their trust in you.” Isaiah 26:3

“I beg you to lead a life worthy of your calling, for you have been called by God.” Ephesians 4:1

PRACTICAL QUESTION #3: Is this the best use of my TIME and ENERGY?

“Everything is permissible, but not everything is beneficial, and not everything is constructive.” 1 Corinthians 10:23

- What is REQUIRED of me?
- What gives me the greatest RETURN?
- What gives me the greatest REWARD?

SIMPLE THOUGHT #1: LEAN into it, but don’t LOCK onto it.

SIMPLE THOUGHT #2: Look and LISTEN.

“8 Jonathan said, ‘Come on, then; we will cross over toward them and let them see us. 9 If they say to us, ‘Wait there until we come to you,’ we will stay where we are and not go up to them. 10 But if they say, ‘Come up to us,’ we will climb up, because that will be our sign that the LORD has given them into our hands.’” 1 Samuel 14:8-10 (NIV)

SIMPLE THOUGHT #3: LEARN from others.

“Whatever you want me to do, I’ll do that for you.” 1 Samuel 20:4