

Battle Tested Philosophy
2 Timothy 2:3-4 Jeremiah 29:11-14
“Know Your WHY”

09:55 am 5 Min. Count Down - VIDEO

10:00 am **LIVE Worship –

10:25 am LIVE SHOT –

WELCOME to The Peak CC Church Online Platform –

We are so glad you could join us as we worship the Lord & expound on His Word.

If this is your 1st time or perhaps you’ve been with us before but haven’t engaged...

***Online Connect Card * RightNow Media**

Opening Prayer - Blessing of Contributions -

Stand by for Announcements

10:30 AM ****Announcements Video** - Tithing

10:37 am LIVE SHOT – Welcome - Self Intro - PEAK
INTRO Young /Vibrant / Life Giving Church in the
HEART of Peekskill.

***VIDEO:Community Outreach**

<https://youtu.be/foEyYGFqOtA>

Last week we finished our SERMON SERIES in 2 Timothy titled
“A Spiritual Father’s Last Words”

“INTRO” & Greeting

“HERITAGE”

“Faith Displaced”

“Divine Motif”

“Answering the Higher Calling”

“Qualified Labor”

“Signs of the End Times”

“God Breathed”

“Preach the Word

9 messages in total...

Encourage you to go listen to the past messages.. Avail FREE

*****Message & App PLUG - SLICK / STILL***



The Peak Community Church

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Today We are starting a New Sermon Series Titled
“Battle Tested Philosophy”

Pulling from

*2 Timothy 2:3-4 NKJV

No one engaged in warfare entangles himself with the affairs of this life, that he may please him who enlisted him as a soldier.

Opening Prayer

It seemed pretty clear that Paul was instructing Timothy in how to prepare for the opposition that was sure to come... But even more than that... The obligation & call to PREACH the Gospel.

Look around you... I spoke to you about the “Signs of the Times” - and how we are NOW currently living in what I believe to be the “END TIMES”

By End Times I’m referring to the Escotological teaching of the redemption of humanity & the earth.

Where this world as we know it will cease & A New Heaven & a New Earth & New Jerusalem will be.

It’ll be the End of disease & destruction. The end of hatred and violence. No more tears & pain. & as all of these come to their END..... We, who are in CHRIST, enter into His Rest & New Beginnings. HalleluYah!!

How many this morning are aware that they are engaged in Spiritual Warfare??

- Friday Night ZOOM Prayer meeting plug

But we are definitely in a fight... When in WAR, we MUST have a battle tested philosophy, or in other words Have a WARRIOR'S Mindset.

***Eph 6:10–12 NKJV**

Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might. 11 Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. 12 For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places.

able to stand: A military expression that refers to a posture of opposition toward an enemy

For the next several weeks I'll be discussing what this MindSet must look like & act in order for us to live out our Faith successfully. *What it is to be Warrior's for Christ.*

Before we go any further, We have to start at the beginning. Laying down the groundwork. 1st we must know our "WHY"?

***Jeremiah 29:11-14 NLT**

"For I know the plans I have for you," says the Lord. "They are plans for good and not for disaster, to give

you a future and a hope. In those days when you pray, I will listen. If you look for me wholeheartedly, you will find me. I will be found by you,” says the Lord. “I will end your captivity and restore your fortunes. I will gather you out of the nations where I sent you and will bring you home again to your own land.””

Purpose (n.): the reason for which something is done or created or for which something exists.

When you know your purpose or or why, your what (actions) become more impactful because you are walking towards or in your purpose.

However, determining our purpose is not an easy feat. People don't wake up one day and have a “eureka” moment and suddenly know what their purpose in life is. No, you have to discover your purpose by trial and error. I have spent many time in prayer and supplication. Seeking direction from our Lord.

I am very analytical by nature. I question everything and don't just jump into anything without looking at it from all perspectives. Now that does not mean that I don't make choices that may steer me from God's

purpose for my life. But even those choices lead me to a lesson that would strengthen me in some way. "What am I to learn from this?"

We are all born with a set of abilities or giftings. These along with the knowledge we learn from our experiences are the foundation of who we are. After all, we are not born wise.

From an early age I knew I wanted to be a teacher. My dolls made some wonderful students. I loved to learn and enjoyed sharing that with others. I had the good fortune of having parents that allowed me to nurture those abilities without forcing or imposing what they believed was my purpose on me.

Your life purpose is not based on what others tell you it is. Just like copying & pasting the purpose of somebody that you respect and admire will probably leave you unhappy and unfulfilled.

Did you know that you are happier when you have a purpose and a passion in life?

Let me geek out on you for just a moment. I am a huge Star Wars fan. I am not looking to make you a fan but to give you an example.



For one thing, we all know that Anakin Skywalker or Darth Vader wasn't always an evil presence. He was once a young boy, possessed of tremendous talents and a deep love for those closest to him, and it was

only through extraordinary circumstances that he became the Dark Lord we love to fear.

As a child, Vader was told by the Jedi that he was the Chosen One who would bring balance to the Force.

As a young adult, he was told that his purpose was whatever the Jedi Order(guardians of peace and justice) told him it was.

As an adult, he was told the purpose of his life was to defeat the Sith Order (devoted to the dark force) not join them. He was also told that his wife (who was pregnant) was going to die in childbirth.

When he became the black-suited Vader we know and love, Palpatine manipulated him into believing that his only purpose was to serve him.

Once he met his son, he thought his purpose in life was to find him, and get to know him, and rule the Galaxy, as father and son

In the end, Vader believed, as he used to, that his purpose was good, and that it was to bring balance to the force and save his son's life.

Anakin, like many of us, went through life without knowing his true purpose. However, unlike Vader, we have the tools at our disposal to guide us in finding or seeking or why.

At the men's fellowship yesterday.... The topic happened to be about KNOWING your purpose. What & why are we here for?

Tom Sheppard used me as an example & asked me to elaborate on this topic.

Although I recognize & know what my giftings are, I'm a Preacher / Teacher, w/ strong radical faith. Score 39 out of 40 as a career "Pastor".

Everyone was pretty sure that I was "built" for this job.

However, I recognize that it doesn't matter “How” I do that... As a Church Planter, Pastor, associate pastor, sunday school teacher, elder, usher, royal ranger commander.

ALL THAT has purpose.... All of my giftings give me purpose.

But my ultimate WHY is NOT in me but in HIM. What is HIS WILL for me??

1 Th 4:3 NKJV

3 For this is the will of God, your sanctification

My ultimate purpose, goal , objective is to reflect the love of God everyday. That I would look more like Jesus & less than myself.



My screen on my phone has an image of a FULL MOON. its bright.... So bright it Lights the Night sky.

Ever marvel at how bright the moon can illuminate the night sky??

And yet it in of itself cannot radiat light. It ONLY reflects the LIGHT of the Sun.

That is my purpose... ultimately it's all of our “highest purpose”. To everyday look more like Jesus...

Will you bow your heads & close your eyes. Right there where you are, we're going to pray.

How bright are you reflecting HIS LIGHT?? Do you know your WHY? Do you have a purpose?

I'd like to be able to pray for you this morning.

Prayer

I feel as if there may be those here, or on our online campus who may not KNOW Christ. But are feeling stirring. Do you want to know Him?

Perhaps you stumbled across this post online by accident. Or someone invited you out of the blue..

Dear God, salvation prayer...

Closing Prayer....

Please contact us via our website @thepeakcc.com Let us know how we can come along your side to help your spiritual growth...

If this was the 1st time that you really dedicated yourself to Jesus... Recognized Him as NOT only your Savior.... But also, your KING...

I'd like to invite you to connect w/ us..... [HYPERLINK "http://www.thepeakcc.com/new-member"www.thepeakcc.com/new-member](http://www.thepeakcc.com/new-member) Visitors link... fill out that connect card...

NEXT WEEK WE"LL DISCUSS having the right attitude & having Righteousness.

*"The Lord bless you and keep you;
The Lord make His face shine upon you,
And be gracious to you,
The Lord lift His countenance upon you,
And give you peace."*

I bless you in the Name of the Father, & of the SON, & of the Holy Spirit... Amen!!

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