## TAKING A SPIRITUAL EKG

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"As a face is reflected in water, so the heart reflects the person." (Prov. 27:19, NLT)

# HEART = your INTERESTS, PASSIONS, DESIRES

"It is God who produces in you the desires and actions that please Him." (Phil. 2:13, GW)

When I do what God shaped me to do,

#### **I ENJOY IT and I AM GOOD AT IT**

# What keeps me from following my Heart?

### **DISAPPOINTMENT**

"Hope deferred makes the heart sick, but a longing fulfilled is a tree of life." (Proverbs 13:12, NIV)

#### **FEAR**

"Anxiety in a man's heart weighs it down..." (Prov. 12:25, Amp)

#### **GUILT**

"My sins have caught up with me so that I can no longer see. They outnumber the hairs on my head. I have lost heart." (Psalm 40:12, GW)

# **BITTERNESS**

"When my heart was filled with bitterness and my mind was seized [with envy], I was stupid, and I did not understand." (Psalm 73:21–22, GW)

# **REJECTION**

"They cut me down with sharpened tongues; they aim their bitter words like arrows straight at my heart." (Psalm 64:3, TLB)

"Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men," (Colossians 3:23, NIV)

# How do I follow my heart?

# 1. Let God FILL my heart

Jesus: "Listen! I am standing and knocking at your door. If you hear my voice and open the door, I will come in and we will eat together." (Revelation 3:20, CEV)

#### 2. Let God HEAL my heart

"The LORD is close to those whose hearts have been broken. He saves those whose spirits have been crushed." (Psalm 34:18, NIrV)

"I am quick to follow your commands, because you have set my heart free."
(Psalm 119:32, NIrV)

# 3. Let God STEER my heart

"Make a careful exploration of who you are and the work you have been given, and then sink yourself into that. Don't be impressed with yourself. Don't compare yourself with others."

(Galatians 6:4, The Message)

"You have put more joy in my heart than they have when their grain and new wine abound."

(Psalm 4:7, HCSB)

ACTION STEPS
CLASS 101
HEART/PASSION ASSESSMENT
SMALL GROUP LESSON