

# DECIDE WHO YOU WANT TO BE

## DESIGN YOUR BEST LIFE: WEEK 1

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*"I ask—ask the God of our Master, Jesus Christ, the God of glory—to make you intelligent and discerning in knowing him personally, your eyes focused and clear, so that you can see exactly what it is he is calling you to do, grasp the immensity of this glorious way of life he has for his followers," (Ephesians 1:17–18, MSG)*

*"Do not be foolish but learn what the Lord wants you to do." (Ephesians 5:17, NCV)*

## LIFE'S MOST IMPORTANT QUESTIONS

### 1. What will be the CENTER of my life?

*"Seek the Kingdom of God above all else..." (Matthew 6:33, NLT)*

*"...spend your energy seeking the eternal life that I, the Messiah, can give you. For God the Father has sent me for this very purpose." (John 6:27, The Living Bible)*

*"Christ's love...love has the first and last word in everything we do. Our firm decision is to work from this focused center..." (2 Corinthians 5:14, The Message)*

CHRIST or MYSELF?

### 2. What will be the CHARACTER of my life?

*"For from the very beginning God decided that those who came to him—and all along he knew who would—should become like his Son..." (Romans 8:29, The Living Bible)*

*"In your lives you must think and act like Christ Jesus." (Philippians 2:5, NCV)*

*"So don't lose a minute in building on what you've been given, complementing your basic faith with good character, spiritual understanding, alert discipline, passionate patience, reverent wonder, warm friendliness, and generous love, each dimension fitting into and developing the others." (2 Peter 1:5–7, The Message)*

INTEGRITY or AMENITY?

### 3. What will be the CONTRIBUTION of my life?

*"God has given each of you a gift from his great variety of spiritual gifts. Use them well to serve one another." (1 Peter 4:10, NLT)*

*“It is God himself who has made us what we are and given us new lives from Christ Jesus; and long ages ago he planned that we should spend these lives in helping others.”*  
*(Ephesians 2:10, The Living Bible)*

*“The master was full of praise. ‘Well done, my good and faithful servant. You have been faithful in handling this small amount, so now I will give you many more responsibilities. Let’s celebrate together!’”* (Matthew 25:21, NLT)

GIVING or GETTING?

#### **4. WHAT WILL BE THE COMMUNICATION OF MY LIFE?**

*“The word has gotten around. Your lives are echoing the Master’s Word, not only in the provinces but all over the place. The news of your faith in God is out. We don’t even have to say anything anymore—you’re the message!”* (1 Thessalonians 1:8, MSG)

*“Meanwhile, live in such a way that you are a credit to the Message of Christ...”* (Philippians 1:27, MSG)

*“But life is worth nothing unless I use it for doing the work assigned me by the Lord Jesus—the work of telling others the Good News about God’s mighty kindness and love.”* (Acts 20:24, The Living Bible)

SHARING CHRIST or SHOWING OFF?

**ACTION STEPS:**  
Write your OBITUARY.