

Leveraging - What Is In Your Hands?

Ephesians 2:10

For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

I Am God's Handiwork
You Are God's Handiwork

When you Discover who God crafted you to be and live it out, you are living out your Destiny

Discover - How am I crafted? How has God shaped me?
Destiny - Living out who God created you to be!

WHAT IS IN YOUR HANDS?

Feeling like you are living with purpose in your life comes from you leveraging what is in your hands.

Why don't we live out the discovery and destiny of our life? We compare what is in our hands to what is in the hands of others.

We are all raw material that God can take and create something amazing, powerful and beautiful.

Acts 3:3-7

Do you spend more time taking inventory of the things you don't have? Or do you focus on what you DO have to give to God to use?

Are you a thermometer or a thermostat?

A thermometer reads the temperature of a room.
A thermostat changes the temperature of a room!

H. Heart
A. Assets
N. Network
D. Difficulties
S. Story

1. LEVERAGE YOUR HEART

**What is your passion? What makes your heart come alive with excitement?
What burden do you carry or who do you want to see impacted?**

1 Samuel 16:6,7 - God looks at the heart and has a different way of measuring than we often do

2. LEVERAGE YOUR ASSETS

What resources, time, and abilities do you have to offer?

Luke 19: 11-27 - whatever you have, no matter how big or small, how can you leverage that?

Luke 19:26 (MSG)

He said, 'That's what I mean: Risk your life and get more than you ever dreamed of. Play it safe and end up holding the bag.

Investment always takes a risk. Leveraging something requires risk, put yourself out there.

Assets: love to Coach, Building things with your hands, Photography, Singleness

1 Corinthians 7:32-35 (NLT)

An unmarried man can spend his time doing the Lord's work and thinking how to please him. But a married man has to think about his earthly responsibilities and how to please his wife. His interests are divided. In the same way, a woman who is no longer married or has never been married can be devoted to the Lord and holy in body and in spirit. But a married woman has to think about her earthly responsibilities and how to please her husband. I am saying this for your benefit, not to place restrictions on you. I want you to do whatever will help you serve the Lord best, with as few distractions as possible.

3. LEVERAGE YOUR NETWORK

**What influence and circle of relationships do you have?
Who can you pursue and invite into a journey of purpose and impact?**

Proverbs 11:11 (AMP)

By the blessing of the influence of the upright the city is exalted, but by the mouth of the wicked it is torn down.

4. LEVERAGE YOUR DIFFICULTIES

**What struggles or weaknesses do you carry?
What has God helped you overcome?**

2 Corinthians 12:9

But he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ’s power may rest on me.

Loss and grief, divorce, anxiety, worry, health issues, abuse, and so many more things!

2 Corinthians 1:4

Who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves receive from God.

5. LEVERAGE YOUR STORY

What life experience and perspective can you share?

What is your testimony or narrative of God’s faithfulness in your life?

Many of the Samaritans from that town believed in him because of the woman’s testimony

John 4:39