



Attribute 10: Living out God's call on my life

▶ Scripture References

2 Corinthians 5:20

We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God.

Mark 12:29-31

"The most important one," answered Jesus, "is this: 'Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.'" The second is this: "Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these."

Matthew 6:33

But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

Colossians 1:23

If you continue in your faith, established and firm, and do not move from the hope held out in the gospel. This is the gospel that you heard and that has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven, and of which I, Paul, have become a servant.

1 Corinthians 15:58

Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain.

As a young graduate student I was exposed to the thinking of concentration camp survivor Viktor Frankl in his classic book *Man's Search For Meaning*. According to Frankl identifying a positive purpose in life and then becoming immersed in imagining that purpose being fulfilled

influences a prisoner's longevity. He believed that purpose together with vision has a life-giving power.

I want to be a part of something important, something significant, something that has a lasting impact. This desire for purpose is birthed in the heart of God, found in the life of Jesus Christ and finds fulfillment as I live out God's call in my life (Ps. 37:4).

God calls each of us into a relationship with himself, and calls each of us to join him on a journey to see his purposes fulfilled. This is the ultimate adventure and there is nothing more important, significant or eternal than being with God and aligning our purposes with his.

According to the Apostle Paul we are Christ's Ambassadors (2 Cor. 5:20). When we enter into a personal relationship with Jesus Christ we became his ambassadors and his purposes became ours. Ambassadorship isn't a position we seek rather, its bestowed upon us as a result of being his.

When I was called as an ambassador I became Christ's personal envoy to a specific place with a specific assignment. My specific place is where I work, live, and play. It is my sphere of influence. My specific assignment is to represent him and his message of reconciliation (2 Cor. 5:18-19).

Being Christ's Ambassador is not always easy. I've not always been as effective as I would like. I've learned that I can't do it well without the regular support and encouragement of others who share the same assignment. Ultimately, I recognize I can't do it apart from his power at work in and through me (Eph. 3:20).

As we wrap up these studies we need to ask a few questions:

What is your purpose? How have you embraced your calling as a Marketplace Ambassador? What is your vision? What might happen in your city if every Christian in the marketplace embraced their call as a Marketplace Ambassador? What would it look like if thousands of spiritually mature business and professional leaders were consistently living out the 10 Marketplace Ambassador Attributes? What role do you want to play in helping that be fulfilled?

We want to continue to come alongside you with relationships and resources that strengthen your commitment to Christ and his call on your life as a Marketplace Ambassador.

WHAT IDEA(S) DID THE HOLY SPIRIT HIGHLIGHT FOR FURTHER CONSIDERATION?

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Read: 2 Corinthians 5:20; Mark 12:29-31; Matthew 6:33; Colossians 1:23; 1 Corinthians 15:58

WHICH VERSES DID THE HOLY SPIRIT HIGHLIGHT FOR FURTHER REFLECTION?

Group Exploration

WHAT WOULD IT LOOK LIKE IF THOUSANDS OF SPIRITUALLY MATURE BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL LEADERS WERE CONSISTENTLY LIVING OUT THE 10 MARKETPLACE AMBASSADOR ATTRIBUTES IN YOUR CITY?

HOW WOULD IT SPREAD TO OTHER CITIES?

WHAT WOULD IT TAKE FOR THAT TO BECOME A REALITY?

WHAT ROLE DO YOU WANT TO PLAY IN HELPING THAT BE FULFILLED?

Personal Application

WHAT WILL YOU DO TODAY THAT WILL LEAD TO AN ETERNAL IMPACT IN YOUR CITY AS A MARKETPLACE AMBASSADOR?

WHAT HELP OR ENCOURAGEMENT DO YOU NEED FROM THIS TEAM TO TAKE THE NEXT STEPS ON YOUR DAILY INTIMATE WALK WITH JESUS CHRIST AS HIS AMBASSADOR?

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