A Life of Power and Purpose:

The "It" that Makes Life Go

Luke 3:21-22, 4:14-21; Acts 10:34-43

Living by Faith will provide the power and purpose to become all that God has destined and designed for you to become, a servant of Jesus!

The Who is GOD—the One who made us and Whose Plan is BEST.

1. Embracing the primary objective of the Great Commandment as a way of life. (Matthew 22:34-40)
2. Engaging in the preeminent purpose of the Great Commission on a regular basis. (Matthew 28:16-20)
3. Experiencing the personal power of the Great Commitment through submission to Holy Spirit. (Acts 1:8)

Keep on being filled with the Spirit of Jesus (Ephesians 5:15-21)

The How is our Habits—the Practices that Provide the Framework of our lives.

1. Identify your current habits—get specific about the what. (Jeremiah 7:3-8)

   Hint: Beware of the "habit loop"— (1) stop believing the lies; (2) anticipate the triggers; (3) develop a plan of action to think/live in the truth.

   When it comes to living by our values, it's not about prioritizing your schedule but rather scheduling your priorities.

2. Inspect all the fruit in your life—be honest about the why. (Ephesians 4:17-24)
   1) Describe the fruit that comes out of your mouth at home/at work/when you are alone and why.
   2) Describe the fruit that is evident in your behavior at home/at work/when you are alone and why.

Habit…I am your constant companion…

The Why is our Motive—the Purpose that Drives Us to Persevere in our Calling.

1. All of us are driven by something!
   1) Some are driven by guilt.
   2) Some are driven by pain and anger.
   3) Some are driven by fear and rejection.
   4) Some are driven by materialism.

2. All of us can be guided by a purpose.
   1) Know your purpose for being on this earth.
      (1) Knowing infuses meaning to your life.
      (2) Knowing simplifies your life.
      (3) Knowing focuses your life.
      (4) Knowing prepares you for life after life.
   2) Know God's plan for you is eternity.
      (1) Since we are made for eternity, life is a test.
      (2) Since we are made for eternity, life is a trust.
      (3) Since we are made for eternity, life is temporary.

The "It" that makes Life Go is _____ in the _____ of Jesus the _____.

1. Service for Jesus will be _____ by your _____ of God. See Romans 6:13, 11:36 and Proverbs 16:4.

   What does your worship look and sound like?

2. Service for Jesus will be _____ through the _____ of ___ ____. See Luke 3:21-22 and 4:14-21.

   How well do you listen to Holy Spirit?

3. Service for Jesus will be _____ with _____ _____. See Philippians 2:5-11.

   Why do you serve…what is your motivation?