

## RESTORING YOUR PASSION

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Jesus: "My purpose is to give life in all its fullness." John 10:10 (NLT)

"God, who got you started in this spiritual adventure, shares with us the life of His Son and our Master Jesus. [God] will never give up on you. Never forget that!"  
1 Corinthians 1:9 (MSG)

### Emotional Passion Killers

#### 1. An UNCLEAR PURPOSE

"I have labored to no purpose; I have spent my strength in vain and for nothing."  
Isaiah 49:4 (NIV)

#### 2. An UNBALANCED SCHEDULE

"It is senseless for you to work so hard from early morning until late at night, fearing you will starve to death; for God wants His loved ones to get their proper rest." Psalm 127:2 (LB)

"I've learned why people work so hard to succeed: it is because they envy the things their neighbors have." Ecclesiastes 4:4 (GN)

### Relational Passion Killers

#### 3. An UNRESOLVED CONFLICT

"To worry yourself to death with resentment would be a foolish, senseless thing to do." Job 5:2 (TEV)

"You are only hurting yourself with your anger." Job 18:4 (GN)

#### 4. An UNSUPPORTED LIFESTYLE

"Two are better than one ... for if they fall, one will lift up the other; but woe to one who is alone and falls and does not have another to help."  
Ecclesiastes 4:9-10 (NRSV)

"Let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds. Let us not give up meeting together... but let us encourage one another."  
Hebrews 10:24-25 (NIV)

### Spiritual Passion Killers

#### 5. Losing touch with your BELOVEDNESS

"This is my beloved son, with whom I am well pleased." Matthew 3:17 (RSV)  
The voice that spoke to Jesus at his baptism is trying to break through to me.

"Test yourselves to make sure you are solid in the faith. Don't drift along taking everything for granted. Give yourselves regular checkups."  
2 Corinthians 13:5 (MSG)

#### 6. An UNDERNOURISHED SOUL

"People need more than bread for their life; real life comes by feeding on every word of God." Deuteronomy 8:3 (NLT)

#### 7. An UNAPPLIED TRUTH

"Make every effort to apply the benefits of God's promises to your life. Then your faith will produce a life of moral excellence which leads to knowing God better."  
2 Peter 1:5 (NLT)

"Remember, it is a message to obey, not just to listen to. If you don't obey, you are only fooling yourself." James 1:22 (NLT)

#### 8. An UNEXPRESSED FAITH

"Proclaim every day the good news that [the Lord] has saved us."  
Psalm 96:2 (GN)

"I want you to tell these same things to other people who can be trusted to tell others." 2 Timothy 2:2 (CEV)

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