

**Self Study Exercise #3**  
**Universal Passion and Purpose Statement: The Easy Part ☺**

How would I state God's UNIVERSAL purpose (*Ephesians 2:10*) in my own words (using personal pronouns?)

How committed am I to it?

**Self Study Exercise #4**  
**Unique Passion and Purpose Clues...how has God allowed my life to be shaped?**

**My History** (ancestry, culture, geography...) *2 Timothy 1:5, 6*

**My Temperament** (emotionally speaking)

**My Talents** (natural tendencies born with: artsy, techy...) *Exodus 35:30-35*

**My Skills** (learned abilities such as trades, professions, sports)

**My Gifts** (abilities granted or enhanced after conversion) *1 Corinthians 12:4-7*

**My Passions** (What causes me to skip meals or sleep because I'm excited by it?)

**My Roles** (past and present: child, parent of young children, or teens, or young adults; caregiver, manager, employee, etc. Some roles change with time, some permanent)

**My Hard Times** *James 1:2-4*

## **My Good Times**

**My Life Goals and Projects** (buy a house, build a business, raise a family, retirement, hobby, etc.) *James 4:13-15*

**My Eternal Goals and Projects** (relationships with people, relationship with God, mastering the Word of God...) *Luke 16:9; Philippians 3:10*

### **Self Study Exercise #5** **Unique Passion and Purpose: The Hard Part ☺** **Clue Crunching: What have I been shaped for?**

Based on the information above, how would I state God's Unique purpose for my life and my resulting passion in my own words (using personal pronouns?)

*"I am a person sent from God to...."*

### **Self Study Exercise #6** **Unique Passion and Purpose Directions ☺** **How do I pursue my shape?**

How might I live out my unique passion and purpose in my family? *Ephesians 5:31-33; 6:1-4*

How might I live out my unique passion and purpose in my congregation? *Hebrews 10:24,25*

How might I live out my unique passion and purpose in my community (work, neighborhood, town, city...) *Galatians 6:10*

What might I do to bring my life more in step with my unique passion and purpose? *Matthew 5:30*

What might I do to help others achieve their unique passion and purpose?<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Adapted from *Establishing Your Purpose: Ministry in the Marketplace* (Chattanooga, TN: CBMC, 1993), 27-40.