SHAPE- Assignment #3

Let Your Heart Beat for God!

This assignment is meant to help you find your heart, your passions, the things that excited you and motivate you for service to fulfill your kingdom purpose. This assignment cannot be done quickly, it will take some time to reflect on those things that move you towards ministry. If service is the pathway towards significance, then finding your heart will help you determine a course of action that will be natural for you and in line with your gifts and desires. Start by reading and reflecting on the following passage:

> *"Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men, since you know that you will receive an inheritance from the Lord as a reward. It is the Lord Christ you are serving."* --Colossians 3:23-24

Spend some time thinking, reflecting, and discussing the following questions. Write your reactions to each set of questions and let this serve as a first step in determining your heart. Feel free to use more paper to brainstorm or make lists. This experience is meant as a guide. The goal is not to have all the blanks filled in, but to help you identify and then use your heart.

What drives you?

- What do my dreams and desires drift toward?
- What do I really want to do for God?
- What motivates me to take action?
- What do I crave?

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Who do you care about?

- Who do I feel I can most profoundly influence for God?
- What age range do I feel let to minister to?
- What affinity group do I feel led to serve?
- How could I impact them in a way that maximizes my gifts?

What needs will you meet?

- What are the top two needs I love meeting?
- What do I love meeting these needs?
- What lessons have I learned that I could pass on to others?

What cause will you help conquer?

- What cause or issue makes my heart race?
- Where could I make the greatest impact for God?
- If time wasn't an issue, to what cause would I donate myself?

What dream will you fulfill?

- What pursuit would release the passion in my life for God?
- What God-centered dreams can I identify that have been buried by life?
- What would I attempt to do for God with the rest of my life?