

## Passion vs. Purpose

The “world” says find your passion and you’ll find your purpose. The Word says the exact opposite.

*“If you try to find your purpose through the portal of “passion”, it only leads you to a life of endless searching and experimenting by mostly trial and error to try and find a life that will only elude you in the end, like water slips through your fingers. The life God said to find, you would have to lose. The one that is not lost but held in the palm of His hand, awaiting only your total surrender.” ...Pastor Marie*

*“Most Christians have no Passion because, **Passion is found after purpose not before!** Purpose is passions birthplace!” ...Pastor Marie*

**2Ti 1:9** [For it is He] Who delivered and saved us and called us with a calling in itself holy and leading to holiness [to a life of consecration, a vocation of holiness]; [He did it] not because of anything of merit that we have done, but because of and to further His own purpose and grace...

### **PUR'POSE,**

That which a person places before himself as an object to be reached or accomplished. the reason for which something exists or is done.

### **PAS'SION, n.**

The effect of an external agent upon the body.

A body at rest affords us no idea of any active power to move, and when set in motion, it is rather a passion than an action **Rom. 8:11, the same Spirit...**

The feeling of the mind, powerful or compelling emotion or feeling,

What was Christ Passion? **To go to the cross!**

What purpose did it launch from? **That we might know Him, and make Him known, that none should perish, that His kingdom would be established on the earth!**

**What is your purpose?** The same as Christs only to lay down our lives in service not death!

Purpose is found thru servanthood not service, service is merely the visible fruit of a genuine servant!

Some say: I serve! Great! but serving is external and servanthood is internal.

Can you serve without a heart of servanthood? Yes! But you will get tired!

**Coals on a fire = purpose, lighter fluid = passion, He provides the purpose, you provide the passion, II Tim. 1:6**

Purpose to serve because it's your entire purpose, then pursue servanthood because it's who He is and who He wants and needs you to be for Him, it's the only way He can flow thru you!

**“Surrender vs. commitment** (we sing songs about surrender, but not about commitment?) why?

*Herein lies commitment: it takes you as far as you want to go.*

*Herein lies surrender: it takes you past that to where you need to go.” ...Pastor Marie*

How do I know when I have Passion: (2) things to ask yourself?

**What can I do without and still do what I am passionate about?**

(affirmation, appreciation, recognition, accolades, praise, attention, gratitude, thanks, pay.)

**What I can do?**

Every day, the rest of my days, if no one else does it with me, if it cost me all I have.

Passion is not a feeling, it's a choice to accept Christ's purpose as my own which will at some point ignite a **passion** in you that you will be responsible for maintaining!

**Choose His purpose and His Passion will be provided for you!**