

HOMework

Part 1 - Passions Assessment

Ministry passions are the heartfelt desires that compel us to make a difference for the kingdom of God. Our passion may be to right a wrong, meet a need, solve a problem, serve a cause or change a life.

Ministry passions are not spiritual gifts, which are functions or task you perform, rather they are feelings or desires that motivate you to serve in a particular ministry.

Some ministry passion keywords include: anger, assignment, burden, call, compassion, destiny, dream, energy, God's will, impact, inspired, legacy, motivated, passion, purpose, significance and vision.

You may not be able to answer all of the questions, but try your best. Pray about your responses and write them down. It isn't whether you could or how you could but rather that you just list the passions right now.

1. Assuming there are no obstacles to hinder you from fulfilling your heart's desire, if you could snap your fingers and what you did wouldn't fail, what would you do for others?

2. What do you repeatedly see that annoys and angers you, which if changed would be more glorifying to God and edifying to others?

3. I care about some things more than others. I care most about?

4. At the end of my life, I'd love to be able to look back and know I'd done something about?

5. Use the chart to believe and list your top five to seven most meaningful and positive life experiences. Briefly describe what you achieved and why it meant so much to you.

| | Positive Experiences | Why is this experience meaningful to me? | Theme Identified |
|---|-----------------------------|---|-------------------------|
| A | | | |
| B | | | |
| C | | | |
| D | | | |
| E | | | |
| F | | | |
| G | | | |

6. What are some reoccurring themes?

7. The people I would like to help the most are:

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|--------------|----------------|------------------|
| Infants | Children | Youth |
| Teen moms | Single parents | College students |
| Divorced | Widowed | Singles |
| Career women | Youth marrieds | Refugees |
| Parents | Empty nesters | Homeless |
| Unemployed | Elderly | Disabled |
| Prisoners | Poor | Hospitalized |
| Other | | |

8. The issues or causes I feel strongly about are:

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|-------------------|------------|---------------|
| Environment | Childcare | Homosexuality |
| Discipleship | AIDS | Politics |
| Violence | Injustice | Racism |
| Education | Addictions | Economic |
| Reaching the lost | Technology | Health care |
| Poverty | Family | Abortion |
| Hunger | Literacy | Nutrition |
| Other | | |

9. I think the area where I could make the most significant contribution is:

10. Based on my answers to the above questions, I sense I have a passion for:

Sample List of Ministry Passions

| | | |
|----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Abortion | Abused Women | Addictions Recovery |
| AIDS | Animals | Beauty and Order |
| Building Esteem | Career Women | Child Care |
| Children | Children in Need | Church |
| Church Effectiveness | Church Renewal | College Students |
| Connecting People | Crisis Intervention | Disabled |
| Discipleship | Divorced | Economic |
| Education | Elderly | Empty Nesters |
| Environment | Family | Fellowship |
| Health Care | Helping the Hurting | Helping the Homeless |
| Homosexuality | Hospice Care | Hospitalized |
| Hunger | Immature Believers | Infants |
| Injustice | International Ministry | Leadership Development |
| Literacy | Making Systems Work | Mentoring |
| Missions | Parents | Politics |
| Poor | Poverty | Prayer |
| Prisoners | Racism | Reaching the Lost |
| Refugees | Relational Harmony | Serving People |
| Single Parents | Singles | Spiritual Warfare |
| Technology | Teen Moms | Unemployed |
| Violence | Widowed | Young Marrieds |
| Youth | | |

Part 2 - Personality Style Assessment

Read each statement and circle the number along the line that best describes what you. If you have a strong preference, select 1 or 5 and if moderate choose 2 or 4. Remember there are no right or wrong answers.

Do not answer based on what you feel others expect of you but select the behavior or perspective that comes most naturally to you. When you are complete total your "E" and "O" scores. Use these numbers to plot your results on the graph.

How are you energized?

1. I am more comfortable...

Do things for people ← 1 2 3 4 5 → Being with people

2. When doing a task, I tend to...

Focused on the goal ← 1 2 3 4 5 → Focus on relationships

3. I get more excited about...

Advancing a cause ← 1 2 3 4 5 → Creating community

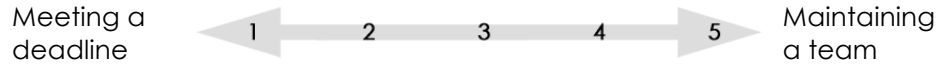
4. I feel I have accomplished something when I've...

Completed a job ← 1 2 3 4 5 → Built a relationship

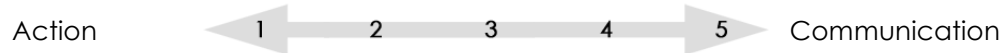
5. It is more important to start a meeting...

On time ← 1 2 3 4 5 → When everyone gets there

6. I am more concerned with...



7. I place a higher value on...



How are you energized? E = _____ Total

How are you organized?

1. In life, I generally prefer to...



2. I prefer to set guidelines that are...



3. I prefer to...



4. I prefer projects that have...



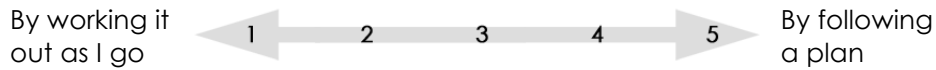
5. I like to...



6. I find routine...

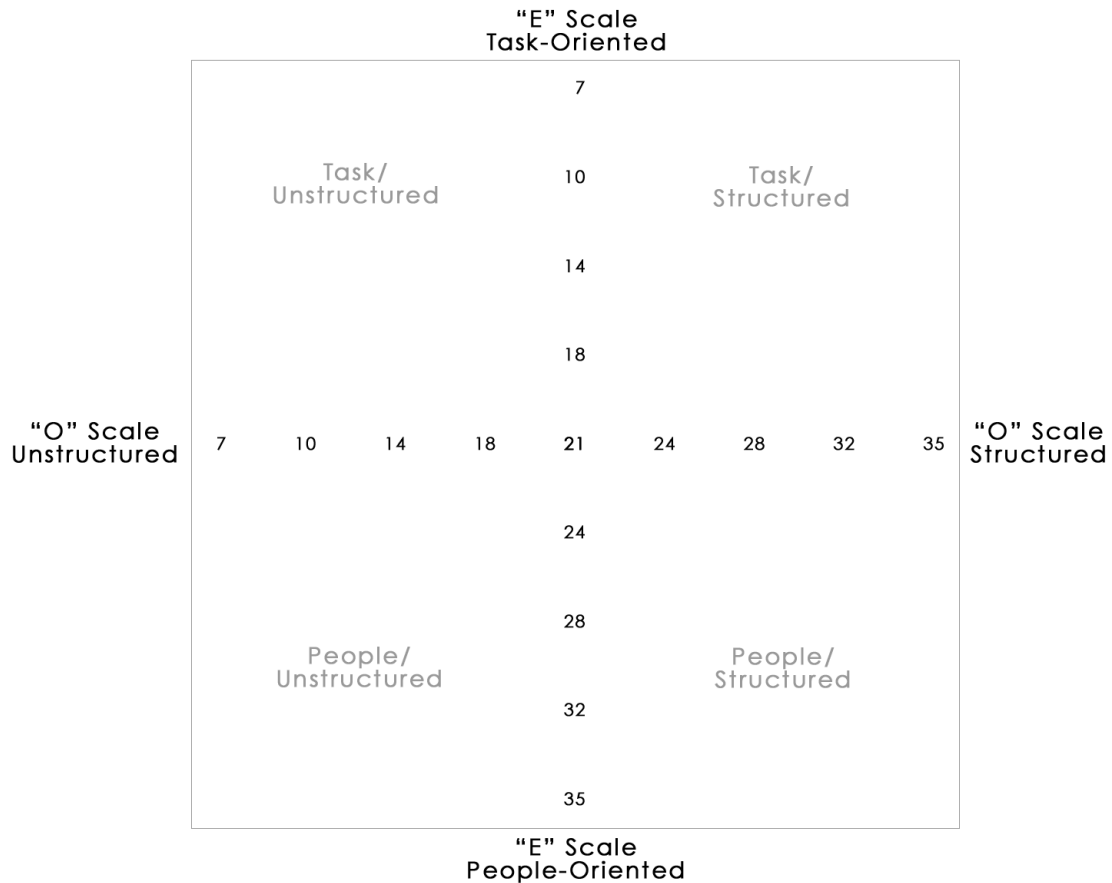


7. I accomplish tasks best...



How are you organized? O = _____ Total

On the grid below, put an X on the "O" scale that corresponds to the total for "O" above. Put an X on the "E" total based on your "E" total on the previous page



8. Based on the chart above my personality style is _____.