

## Making A Difference Series Duty or Passion?

Introduction - Legacy: What people remember about you once you're gone.  
Will it be something God **HONORING**? - Psalm 112:5-6 NIV

### I. Legacy **LANES**

- Gilead, our home
- Training young people
- Local missions
- National missions
  - Church planting
  - 173 nations growing
  - 20 nations shrinking
- International missions - 10/40 window; 42% of the population, 90% poverty, terrorism, least gospel

### II. Random Acts of **KINDNESS**

- Between Thanksgiving and Christmas
- Most follow God out of obligation not passion; have to, not get to
- We must enjoy something to spread it; serve God delightfully not dutifully - Philippians 2:13, Philippians 2:13 NLT
- The greatest offering - Exodus 35:21 NKJV;
  - 1 Chronicles 29:3, 5b NKJV
- Others got fired up - 1 Chronicles 29:6-9, 17
- This is important - 2 Corinthians 8:12

### III. The “Why” of **MOTIVATION**

- When I lose my why, I’ll lose my way
- Why should I be concerned with Gilead’s legacy?
  - We get to give because:
    1. Jesus gave to us first - Matthew 10:8b
    2. It’s more blessed to give than receive - Acts 20:35
      - Quote: We make a living by what we get; we make a LIFE by what we give. - Winston Churchill
    3. I’m in a covenant with God and you - Psalm 92:13 NKJV; Ecclesiastes 4:9
      - Example: None of us, are as good as ALL of us, TOGETHER!
    4. I really believe in the vision of the local church
      - Ephesians 3:10 Msg
      - 80% Relief in Texas
      - 65% of hospitals in impoverished nations
    5. One day we will meet Jesus - Matthew 25:23

Conclusion - There is more to this life than **THIS** life! Live Passionately!!!