

Passionate Spirituality?

Passionate

- A deep personal conviction and commitment to a cause that arises out of a person's core belief and values
- Example For: David and Goliath I Sam 17 & 18
- Example Not: Bill Graham crusade

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Spirituality

- The indwelling of the Holy Spirit which leads to a spirit-filled life
- Example For: Fruit of the Spirit Gal 5
- Example Not: Oprah

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- A person so filled with the Spirit to the core that it is evidenced in his commitment and passion to the work of the Lord.

Two components:

- Personal - First
- Corporate - Second

Passionate

Source

- Life experience – Tasted the goodness Heb 6
- Learning/education – Timothy II Tim 3
- Observation – Jesus washing feet John 13
- Sharing – Early Church Acts 2

Spirituality

Source

- God is Spirit from the beginning – Gen 1, John 4
- Indwelling of the Spirit – Gal 5

How to Develop Passionate Spirituality

Jesus model:

1. A true sense of self
2. A true sense of God
3. Understanding God's plan/mission
4. Know your place in that mission
5. Commit to action as an individual and as a part of the church

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Jesus model:

1. A true sense of self
 - a. I am a hopeless sinner John 1
 - b. Object of God's love John 13
 - c. My basket of gifts – Jesus did not change personality

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Jesus model:

2. A true sense of God
 - a. Father, Son and the Holy Spirit John 14 to 16
 - b. The immeasurable love of God John 3

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Jesus model:

3. Understanding God's plan/mission

- a. The parable of the lost sheep, coin Luke 15
- b. God's house John 14
- c. The Great Commission Matt 28
- d. Scripture – Jesus showed them the need to know God's Word as it contains God's plan Luke 4

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Jesus model:

4. Know your place in that mission

- a. Feed my sheep John 21
- b. Paul, chosen instrument to the Gentile world Acts 9
- c. The Great Commission Matt 28
- d. Be my witnesses Acts 1

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Jesus model:

5. Commit to action as an individual and as a part of the church
 - a. Peter walked on water Matt 14
 - b. Send out the seventy-two Luke 10
 - c. Waited as a group Acts 1