

MAKE MATTERS.

All of us are in the midst of a journey.
The process is what makes us.
It defines us.
We are all in the process of being **MADE**.

The process uncovers our uniqueness.
The people we meet, the circumstance we are in, the lessons, the healing, the growth.
We need to understand the bigger scope of our entire life.

To trust and be obedient to God. **To seek, understand and participate**in this Greatness.

That its not only a path to personal full

That its not only a path to personal fulfillment, but for His specific and Divine purpose.

There is no overnight formula or transformation. Right now God is defining and refining who you are created to be.
And what he's called you to do.

We are all in the process of being made. We are made to make a Difference.

WE ARE ALL ON A JOURNEY AND UNLESS WE DIE

YOU STILL HAVE MORE LIFE TO LIVE. MAKE IT COUNT.

- Miles McPherson







JIM COLLINS

Writer Good to Great, Great by choice, How the Mighty Fail

- Success + Growth + Service = "Good to Great"
- You need a "personal board of directors" a tribe that represents your values, keep you accountable, push you to grow, its not about success but about character
- Instead of being interesting **be interested**.

His biggest lessons learned from all his studies & research:

- 1) To know your service sooner
- 2) To know that the journey is long. At 65 years, you could just now be getting it.
- 3) The ultimate quest is to figure out what you love,
- 4) If you breathe, you are creative, the trick is to have discipline that amplifies, not inhibits, your creativity.

TOM SHADYAC

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Serve with all your life - its for your education, healing and growth

When the world tells you to get serious, remember to play

Take your joy seriously

Be serious about being a light beam of joy.

The more you give away, the more you serve, the more richer, fuller your life is

How have you learned from your loss: God wants you to see the darkness, so you can reach the light. So you can share your journey of faith about him with others. Its your clarity, confidence and dedication that others notice.

We get caught up in the language - but God is in EVERYthing.

We are all notes in God's symphony.







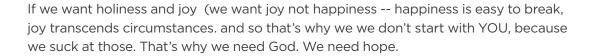
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As Christians, we have ROOTS OF DOUBT:

- 1. If I'm a believer, why is it back and forth.
- 2. Sometimes I have great joy in God, sometimes I don't.

The love of will finds.



If you don't know where you're starting from, and don't know where you are going, that's how doubt creeps in.

God's ever present. And he's all knowing.

Why do bad things happen

We are limited in our scope. We don't know how the pieces fit all together.

We are not the embodiment of justice.

It's not who we think God should be.

We can be a judge. But we Can't be God. We can't answer the Why.

It's not to mean we can be sorrowful, but see that God works in the mess. All the loss, drama, rape, plague, the bible is full of mess.

We try to be pretty, but God works in the mess.





JOHN ORTBERG

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When in the bible did God give an **EASY** assignment? Jesus used the word EASY only once. His said "my yoke is easy, my burden light..." Jesus is the giver of easy yoke - easy comes from inside.

How do you keep an easy yoke while doing hard work? The easy yoke in found in the **Cycle of Grace,**The easy yoke comes from the inside, not the outside.

THE CYCLE OF GRACE:

1. Acceptance

Identity and *acceptance* come **before** achievement in ministry.

Example: Jesus' baptism. God first said "This is my son, with whom I'm well pleased." His ego was never on the line.

We are always being evaluated. Acceptance is a firm embrace.

2. Sustenance

The maintaining of someone or something in life or existence. Hurry is the big burden, removes you from being present.

Jesus allowed God to replenish his spirit—he engaged in fellowship. He took long walks,

he enjoyed partying with non-religious folks (Matthew 11:19)

There must be a means in which joy and liveliness is sustained in you.

You must arrange your time so that you are living with deep contentment, joy, and confidence in your everyday life with Jesus."

3. Significance

"Who are we..." apart from success, marriage, etc?
You must do something, not for the sake of showing off

4. Achievement

Your life will be hard, but your burden be light





CHRISTINE CAINE

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We are on a DIVINE ETERNAL RELAY

It's not about how quick

It's about the "baton" and transition. Like a baton in a relay race.

Making sure the baton passes well from my hands to the hands of the next generation.

It is ultimately about leaving a legacy of faith for the next generation. What we do with the baton of faith in this exchange is crucial.

If you forget that there are others that have come before you, you will forget that there are others to come after you.

When you think nothing is happening God is developing you Fix your eyes Get your face off Facebook and Face into the book Your responsibilty is a faithful and sincere heart

10 Challenges for your Team

Catalyst

Here are 10 specific challenges I would recommend you make to your team this year. To put in place and act out on a regular basis. These are based on the challenges we've instilled on our Catalyst team the last couple of years.

- 1. Authentic. Be Real. Human. approachable. Guard against hubris.
- 2. No sideways energy. Communicate. Focus. Guard against silos and wasted energy.
- 3. **Stewardship**. Each of us embracing and understanding our role in what we've been given and required to manage and uphold through the platform we've been given by God to steward. Not just the leader.
- 4. **Expertise**. see myself as an expert. Individual responsibility and organizational responsibility.
- 5. **Receive what we create**. Become our own customer. Guard against the mundane. If you don't like the product you are creating, you have a problem.
- 6. **Guard against cynicism**. Behind the curtain we have to guard against this. Fight it at every turn. And call it out if we see it.
- 7. **Excellence**. We are the best in the world. Confidence not arrogance. Act like it. Maintain a standard. Guard against being lazy and pessimistic.
- 8. **Serve one another**. Jump in and help. Get it done mentality. Not just when the "lights are on" (sports reference), but all the time. Be willing to do whatever it takes.
- 9. **Protect and maintain a "make it happen" culture**. Guard against the phrase "it's not my job." and guard against creating clicks.
- Get better every day. Guard against complacency. Make it your goal to constantly improve and take your game to the next level.



4 ACTIONABLE STEPS TO HELP YOU ON YOUR PATH

1. WHAT ARE YOU MADE TO DO?

2.
WHERE ARE YOU IN THE PROCESS
OF WHO GOD CALLED YOU TO BE?

3. WHAT STEPS WILL GET YOU CLOSER?

4.
WHAT ARE YOUR GOALS FOR WEEK, MONTH,
3 MONTHS, ETC TO MAKE THE ABOVE HAPPEN?