

Burning Hearts

Jeremiah 1:4-10, 20:9

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Memory Verse:

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1. Burning Hearts begin in creation.

“Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart; I appointed you as a prophet to the nations.” —Jeremiah 1:5

- God created ***Jeremiah*** for certain tasks.
 - Prophet to nations.
 - Spokesman for God.
 - Family of Priests

- God created **you and me** for certain tasks.

For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do. —Ephesians 2:10

- God gave ***Moses*** the heart of a deliverer.

2. We cannot get away from our passion.

But if I say, "I will not mention him or speak any more in his name," his word is in my heart like a fire, a fire shut up in my bones. I am weary of holding it in; indeed, I cannot. —Jeremiah 20:9

Moses—Exodus 2:11-15

Elijah—1 Kings 19:1-9

Jonah—1:1-17

Peter—John 21:1-14

Pastor's Story—

Your Story _____

- We cannot ignore our feelings, but feelings should not control our lives.

- Our spirit and our will should control our lives, but feelings accurately describe who we are and how we are doing.

3. What is passion or heart?

Whatever your hand finds to do, do it with all your might.—Ecclesiastes 9:10a

Willow Creek Network Course:

- Servant Profile: 1. Passion Where to serve
2. Spiritual Gifts What
3. Personal Style How

Saddleback's SHAPed for serving God:

- S = Spiritual Gifts
- H = **Heart**, passion
- A = Abilities
- P = Personal style
- E = Experiences

King David had a shepherd's heart, a victorious, champion shepherd's heart.

APPLICATION.

Who are you? _____

What makes your heart burn?

Burn in anger over injustice? _____

Burn with excitement over the possibilities? _____

What is God Calling you to do? _____

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- What new ministries haven't we dreamed up?
- What areas of the church are struggling because you have not used your talent/passion?
- How has God wired you?
- What talent, passion has God given you?
- What is God calling you to?