

Restoring Your Passion
#SermonPassion
When You're Running On Empty Part 4
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Matthew 22:37 Jesus said, "Love the Lord your God with all your passion and prayer and intelligence." (MSG)

1 Corinthians 1:9 God, who got you started in this spiritual adventure, shares with us the life of his Son and our Master Jesus. He will never give up on you. Never forget that. (MSG)

Seven Passion-Killers

1. AN UNCLEAR PURPOSE

Isaiah 49:4 I have labored to no purpose; I have spent my strength in vain and for nothing. (NIV)

2. AN UNBALANCED SCHEDULE

Psalms 127:2 It is senseless for you to work so hard from early morning until late at night, fearing you will starve to death; for God wants his loved ones to get their proper rest. (LB)

Ecclesiastes 4:4 I have also learned why people work so hard to succeed: it is because they envy the things their neighbors have. (TEV)

3. AN UNRESOLVED CONFLICT

Job 5:2 Resentment destroys the fool, and jealousy kills the simple. (NLT)

Job 18:4a You are only hurting yourself with your anger... (TEV)

4. AN UNSUPPORTED LIFESTYLE

Proverbs 18:24 A man of too many friends comes to ruin, But there is a friend who sticks closer than a brother. (NASB)

5. AN UNEXAMINED LIFE

Lamentations 3:40 Let us look closely at our ways and examine them and then

return to the LORD. (GW)

2 Corinthians 13:5 Test yourselves to make sure you are solid in the faith. Don't drift along taking everything for granted. Give yourselves regular checkups. (MSG)

6. AN UNDERNOURISHED SOUL

Romans 12:11 Don't burn out; keep yourselves fueled and aflame. (MSG)

Deuteronomy 8:3 ...people do not live by bread alone; rather, we live by every word that comes from the mouth of the LORD. (NLT)

7. AN UNAPPLIED TRUTH

2 Peter 1:5 Make every effort to apply the benefits of these promises to your life. Then your faith will produce a life of moral excellence. A life of moral excellence leads to knowing God better. (NLT)

James 1:22 Remember, it is a message to obey, not just to listen to. So don't fool yourselves. (MSG)

James 4:17 Anyone who knows the right thing to do, but does not do it, is sinning. (NCV)

Exodus 34:14b ...He is a God who is passionate about his relationship with you. (NLT)