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THE WARRIOR COMMISSION ~ OUR "WHY"~

Intimacy with God and heart-felt connection with others

WHAT IS OUR "WHY" ABOUT?

By Kathy Brown

There is something profound and special that resonates within us when we ask ourselves: "What is my 'Why' with God?" It goes to the core reason of who we are, our values, our purpose and motivation for all that we are and do in God's kingdom. This is a question we don't often ask ourselves. Yet, when we do engage with God in this question it becomes a beautiful exploration with Him. This question opens a sacred space between God and ourselves to look and see what is deep inside our hearts. This question truly compels me to ask, "Why DO I want to live, move, and have my being in Jesus?"

It is beautiful that we become like little children in God's Kingdom asking our Father "Why?"! Our Father loves it when we talk with Him about this question. When we receive the revelation that comes with asking this question our level of connection and commitment to the answer of our why is deepened and strengthened in the Holy Spirit.

Why the "Why"?

The simplicity of our "Why" sharpens us and gives us focus in our lives. Knowing our "Why" brings us into a deeper clarity of who we are, our purpose, call, and destiny in Jesus. When we discovered our "Why" in TWC, it became very clear and succinct of who we are together as a community and the core purpose God has for us as The Warrior Commission.

What is your "Why"? We can only answer this question for ourselves, and in this question, we learn something deep about ourselves. When I ask myself this question it opens a dialogue with me and Abba God about what is the very core of why He created in me. My personal "Why" is to love God and love people because I am greatly loved by God. I came to this place as I grew into, pondered, and discovered the incredible vastness of God's love for me and for those around me. The awesome wonder of God fills my spirit, soul, and body with this ongoing revelation of His love, and I am inspired, compelled, and motivated to love in return, as shared in John 13:34-35.

I invite you into this opportunity to ponder with Holy Spirit all that God has in you, and for you, in His New Era Kingdom!

What is your purpose, your reason, your "Why"

that resonates in your spirit!?!

"Why?" - this question opens a sacred space between God and ourselves

WEBSITE HIGHLIGHTS

UPDATED (PUBLIC) WEBSITE AND OTHER UPGRADES

"APPLICATION" PROCESS: We have modified our entry process by shifting the initial learning curve from outside to inside our tribe. With the new information on the website, we encourage new applicants to explore our Decisions *That Define Us*, *Values*, as well as *Community and Training* information while they fill out the inquiry form. After receiving an email reply to their submitted inquiry, prospective new members follow a link to schedule an info/apply call.

During the info call with the applicant, we answer their questions, explain our training and values, and share about our tribe, but most of all we provide a smiling face and heart-felt connection with TWC. With our "Why" of being a relational community, we have tested and found it is more empowering to surround people in the initial developmental process with connection rather than to put them through a rigorous application process alone. We are excited to see the new process is opening more doors to reaching our TWC Warriors!

DISCOUNTS FOR SPOUSES: Couples enjoy training in TWC together. We know how much fun it is to discuss the most recent revelation with your other half. To support and encourage spouses to learn, grow and thrive together in our tribe, we have created a discount of 30% off the second membership.

PUBLIC WEBSITE UPGRADE: Check out the public side of our website - it has been simplified and upgraded with new and updated content. We have added pictures and shared more about our tribe and training in some new eye appealing ways.

As members you will need to make sure you are not signed into the website to see the public side. This is a great way to tell friends and family about TWC - send them the <u>link</u>, or you can simply say "check it out at TheWarriorCommission.com"

INCREASED DUES FOR NEW AND RETURNING MEMBERS: After much prayer and consideration we have made a decision. We have seen continued rising costs in all areas from Zoom to our accountant and web designer fees. TWC has not made any changes to dues since it began in 2011.

We feel it is time to make a small increase in our monthly dues from \$30 to \$35/month. This increase is only for new or returning members. Your current dues will not be impacted or changed.

We still find evidence that the personal investment in training does make a difference in staying power and passion for the training process for most people. However, we will also continue to offer scholarships and financial aid for new and/or current members experiencing financial challenges.

DONATIONS: We want to offer a special thank you to those who have sown, or continue to sow, financially into TWC. Most of those donations have gone directly to members to support scholarships and financial aid, have helped us update/upgrade our systems, or pay for venues for face-to-face meetings. If God puts it on your heart to offer a donation/scholarship, please go to the footer of the website and click on the donate/scholarship link.

We truly appreciate your donations you give every month – whether it is of your time, money, and/or intercession – we thank you for all of these and could not do this without you!

TWC Warriors are truly amazing!

DISTILLED

By Christine Casten

One of the things I find amazing about our TWC "Why?" is how it captures the core of who we are. God simplified and purified our language so that we could capture our "Why". In God's plan, He took us through a process of discovery. It was amazing! He allowed us to steep in His love and simmer in the fires of His heart. In effect, He distilled our "Why" in Him!

At the beginning of TWC we were hesitant to put language to our tribe. This is because we were just emerging. We were new, exploring something different and pioneering ahead. But, over time, language mattered. God wanted us to put words to who we are, and to know why we are here. We can't truly explore commission without knowing our who and our why.

The "Why" of a person and/or a commissioned group is the core, the distilled version of passion and design from Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. At some point, realizing a "Why" is an "aha" moment where all the trials, experiences, prophecies, and provision of heaven meet with what and Who compel us. Our "Why" is our filter through which we view the world. Motivation comes because our "Why" exists.

Ironically, TWC had the language for our "Why" several years ago, but God still waited to drop the revelation of our "Why?" into our hearts. Revelation of our "Why" has only taken hold in the last few months.

His perfect timing has helped us understand how to take the multifaceted diamond that we are and distill it into a few words. How? We realized our why came from a paraphrase of Luke 10:27, Jesus affirmed, "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind and, love your neighbor as yourself."

All of a sudden it made sense! God had already put so much in place. Our "Why" was attached to this verse. The promises over us and the journey we took could now be seen through the lens of our "Why". Our identity statements supported and came from our "Why". So much more fell into place.

For years we have lived in our "Why" without realizing it. Our training from Foundations to Specialty to Advanced Training all circle around this verse and reinforce our "Why". Even more than this, our Warrior EPIC Nation is immersed in our "Why" and our relationships are strengthened by it, too.

God made sure our "Why" was interwoven into and through all parts of The Warrior Commission, our tribe, our friendships, our training. Even as we distilled our language, God brought about the impact of our "Why" to intimately know Him and to know and see each other through heart-felt connections.

TRAINING HIGHLIGHTS

Training and Process – Intimacy and Worship

Have you ever considered that the Father is seeking after you as His worshipper? Our intimacy with God includes being a worshipper in Spirit and Truth (John 4:23) This redefines worship as being a chore or a religious obligation to "we get to..."! All aspects of Worship are delightful and feed our spirits just as they bless God's.

What is coming forward in your life as an act of Worship? Are there aspects of living out your identity, or even exploring your identity and design by God, that are part of your worship? Within TWC, as we explore worship in all aspects of this community, may the Lord bless your journey and process with fresh revelations of His glory and goodness. Do any of these include a new expression of worshipping God?

What is coming up in TWC Training?

- 1. Check out the Primary Passions tab on the website. It lists adventures available to you once your Foundations Stages journey comes to completion.
- 2. Kingdom Influencer Lifestyle Specialty Training, formerly known as LDT1, will be hosted in 2023 beginning January 23rd. This is a great 4-week training for exploring your personal Why and how you connect with TWC's Why & Values. More info can be found on the Website under Specialty Training.
- 3. For everyone in Foundations Stage 6: if you would like coaching support as you process with God about what He has for you once you complete Stage 6, please email your TWC Coaches at twc.warriorepic@gmail.com. We are exploring what walking alongside you might look like as you process through the possibilities that come forward through Stage 6.

Coaches Corner: WHY!

By Ted Mather

When Jesus said we must become like little children, that statement takes on life for me in the form of questions. What is that, Papa? Why does it do that, Mama? Why? Why? Why? Do you hear your little ones' voices asking questions? Those questions that are simultaneously dreaded and wonderful. When they realize the answer, even if it is for a brief second, everything changes. Even if it is forgotten immediately - that answer is tucked away for possible use at a later time. Their life has been so imperceptibly changed simply because they asked a question. This is the juice that fuels my journey in life.

Why do I ask this question? What does "Why?" mean and why does knowing that make a difference? We spend a great deal of time trying to figure out what God is saying, Scripture, prophecy, life, it all adds to the information we process every day. In the past couple of years, He has made it my mission to perceive clarity in what words mean. I have spent most of my life trying to explain why I am on this earth and, thank you, Lord for helping me see it.

The question "Why?" is important because its use is based on reason and clarity. That reason and clarity can be behind everything that we do in life, whether it's intentional or unintentional. He made us because we have a purpose to live out. He wants us to fulfill our life with Jesus, ourselves, careers, relationships, community, and circumstances we can't imagine.

When we ask "Why?" it is important because it gives us explanation and insight. When we gain clarity and understanding of those experiences, we learn lessons. We learn that God is always in charge, and we learn what's best. But most exciting is that we learn who we are as a person and to know who others are. All of this magnificence happens through communication and human interactions - which turns up every day in life.

Within my process there came another question. Through a waking dream He asked me why I had such a hard time explaining TWC to other people. When I attended a Vineyard in Cincinnati everyone knew why that church existed. Their motto was "Small things done with great love can change the world". We not only knew those words, but we did them every week in the community, not just in the sanctuary. Today, I can now truthfully say that I can explain TWC in a simple, concise, wonderful, amazing way. Intimacy with God and heartfelt connections with others! This is our "Why". Out of these words comes so much more that we are as a tribe or community.

This takes me back to my story about the little children. Once I see *it*, that light comes on, the realization of truth comes out, revelation takes hold, then *it* becomes mine. So, when you talk with me, never be surprised if I ask you to explain what you mean by a particular word. I want to know what you are communicating, and my processor works differently sometimes.

So, if you haven't guessed what my "Why?" is, I will tell you - it is how I have lived my whole life - especially in the high school classroom, as a teacher. I could always see it when the lights came on in someone's eyes. It would fill my tank for another day — seeing that is a big part of my "Why"! I now know that I have more than one "Why" because I embrace TWC's "Why" as my own. I love to go deep and intimate. I love to build relationships.

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This is TWC's "Why"...this is my "Why"!

TWC REGIONAL EVENTS

The Warrior Commission: The Resonance of Our "Why" Oxnard, California September 30th - October 1st



This event will be hosted by Byron Easterling and Kathy Brown and will be a time to worship and connect with one another as we explore our "Why". In addition to exploring the "Why" that resonates within you, we will journey to discover what God has spoken about your life.

Go the TWC website under the Access tab for more up-to-date details about both events and to register for the Oxnard, CA event!

Pacific Northwest TWC Regional Gathering Clallam Bay, Washington October 14th – 16th

This event will be hosted by Kyle Lange and will be a time to explore "Living as Warriors in the Pacific Northwest". We are gathering to encourage one another, activate our warrior identities, find God's insteads, and intercede for this region.

Contact Kyle Lange, or Mary at TWC.Memberservices@gmail.com for more information!

FIRESTARTERS

Look for these questions on the Forum. They come from the articles found within this Frontline publication and are here to generate more conversation with our TWC Tribe. As you read Frontline, look at these questions and get ready to answer them over the next few weeks in the Warrior Chat group. See you there!

- 1. What is your "Why" and how does it direct your life course?
- 2. If you have finished one of the Advanced or Specialty trainings tell us about what God did through the experience.
- 3. What is coming forward in your life as an act of Worship?
- 4. How has your "why" evolved over the past few years?
- 5. What is your favorite part of the TWC Website? Why?
- 6. Are there aspects of living out your identity that are part of your worship?

Discover and Live Out Your Unique Commission

God calls us to train as Warrior Ambassadors of Love. We are a Kingdom bridge to unconditional love and freedom in Christ. We empower a dynamic lifestyle with God and others.

Our passion to seek God's heart means He's our First Love. We believe God expands our capacity to love greatly through abiding rest in Him, training, and ongoing connection, even as seasoned Warriors.

Join *The Warrior Commission*, find your Commission as a Warrior: one who champions the cause of Christ and influences the world for Jesus in the way He always intended us to!

We encourage you to enjoy this publication of *The Warrior Commission's Frontline*.

We created it with you in mind, to support you on your journey with the Lord.

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