

The Challenge!

Cross Training #1 | Putting together God's Story – and Why I am here!



The Purpose-Driven Life

Read *The Purpose Driven Life* book by Rick Warren (goal: one chapter a day, five days a week)

Purchase *The Purpose Driven Life* book for \$5. They will be available during Nitelife, see Emily with questions about getting the book.

Reflect on what you learned in each chapter (a few sentences) and answer the “Question to consider” at the end of each chapter. Record your answers in this booklet.

There is a place at the end of each section for questions that you have. As you read, jot down questions that you have and ask them in your small group time.

When complete, have your leader sign the last page and then cut that page out and turn it into Ruthie. She will send you a voucher for \$30 toward an upcoming BHBC Student Ministries trip.

Cross Training #1 Signature Page

Mentor Signature: _____

Date: _____

Student Name: _____

Address: _____

Please cut this page off (keep the booklet portion) and turn it into Ruthie. She will get a \$30 voucher out to you in the next couple of weeks.

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What On Earth Am I Here For?

Day 1 – It All Starts with God

What I learned:

Question to consider: In spite of all the advertising around me, how can I remind myself that life is really about living for God, not myself?

Day 2 – You Are Not an Accident

What I learned:

Question to consider: I know that God uniquely created me. What areas of my personality, background, and physical appearance am I struggling to accept?

Day 3 – What Drives Your Life?

What I learned:

Question to consider: What would my family and friends say is the driving force of my life? What do I want it to be?

Day 4 – Made to Last Forever

What I learned:

Question to consider: Since I was made to last forever what is the one thing I should stop doing and the one thing I should start doing today?

Day 40 – Living with Purpose

What I learned:

Question to consider: When will I take the time to write down my answers to life's 5 great questions? When will I put my purpose on paper?

Questions that I have?

Day 38 – Becoming a World-Class Christian

What I learned:

Question to consider: What steps can I take to prepare to go on a short term mission experience in the next year?

Day 39 – Balancing Your Life

What I learned:

Question to consider: Which of the 4 activities will I begin in order to stay on track and balance God's 5 purposes for my life?

Day 5 – Seeing Life From God's View

What I learned:

Question to consider: What has happened to me recently that I now realize was a test from God? What are the greatest matters God has entrusted to me?

Day 6 – Life is a Temporary Assignment

What I learned:

Question to consider: How should the fact that life on earth is just a temporary assignment change the way I am living right now?

Day 7 – The Reason for Everything

What I learned:

Question to consider: Where in my daily routine can I become more aware of God’s glory?

Questions that I have?

PURPOSE #5 – You Were Made for a Mission

Day 36 – Made for a Mission

What I learned:

Question to consider: What fears have kept me from fulfilling the mission God made me to accomplish? What keeps me from telling others the good news?

Day 37 – Sharing Your Life Message

What I learned:

Question to consider: As I reflect on my personal story, who does God want me to share it with?

Day 35 – God’s Power in Your Weakness

What I learned:

Question to consider: Am I limiting God’s power in my life by trying to hind my weaknesses? What do I need to be honest about in order to help others?

Questions that I have?

PURPOSE #1 – You Were Planned for God’s Pleasure

Day 8 – Planned for God’s Pleasure

What I learned:

Question to consider: What common task could I start doing as if I were doing it directly for Jesus?

Day 9 – What Makes God Smile

What I learned:

Question to consider: Since God knows what is best, in what areas of my life do I need to trust Him most?

Day 10 – The Heart of Worship

What I learned:

Question to consider: What area of my life am I holding back from God?

Day 11 – Becoming Best Friends with God

What I learned:

Question to consider: What can I do to remind myself to think about God and talk to Him more often throughout the day?

Day 33 – How Real Servants Act

What I learned:

Question to consider: Which of the 6 characteristics of real servants offers the greatest challenge to me?

Day 34 – Thinking Like a Servant

What I learned:

Question to consider: Am I usually concerned about *being* served or finding ways to serve others?

Day 31 – Understanding Your Shape

What I learned:

Question to consider: What God given ability or personal experience can I offer to my church?

Day 32 – Using What God Gave You

What I learned:

Question to consider: How can I make the best use of what God has given me?

Day 12 – Developing Your Friendship with God

What I learned:

Question to consider: What practical choices will I make today in order to grow closer to God?

Day 13 – Worship That Pleases God

What I learned:

Question to consider: Which is more pleasing to God right now – my public worship or my private worship? What will I do about this?

Day 14 – When God Seems Distant

What I learned:

Question to consider: How can I stay focused on God's presence, especially when He feels distant?

Questions that I have?

PURPOSE #4 – You Were Shaped for Serving God

Day 29 – Accepting Your Assignment

What I learned:

Question to consider: What is holding me back from accepting God's call to serve Him?

Day 30 – Shaped for Serving God

What I learned:

Question to consider: In what way can I see myself passionately serving others and loving it?

Day 28 – It Takes Time

What I learned:

Question to consider: In what area of my spiritual growth do I need to be more patient and persistent?

Questions that I have?

PURPOSE #2 – You Were Formed for God’s Family

Day 15 – Formed for God’s Family

What I learned:

Question to consider: How can I start treating other believers like members of my own family?

Day 16 – What Matters Most

What I learned:

Question to consider: Honestly, are relationships my first priority? How can I insure that they are?

Day 17 – A Place to Belong

What I learned:

Question to consider: Does my level of involvement in my local church demonstrate that I love and am committed to God’s family?

Day 18 – Experiencing Life Together

What I learned:

Question to consider: What one step can I take today to connect with another believer at a more genuine, heart-to-heart-level?

Day 26 – Growing through Temptation

What I learned:

Question to consider: What Christ-like character quality can I develop by defeating the most common temptation I face?

Day 27 – Defeating Temptation

What I learned:

Question to consider: Who could I ask to be a spiritual partner to help me defeat a persistent temptation by praying for me?

Day 24 – Transformed by Truth

What I learned:

Question to consider: What has God already told me in His Word that I haven't started doing yet?

Day 25 – Transformed by Trouble

What I learned:

Question to consider: What problem in my life has caused the greatest growth in me?

Day 19 – Cultivating Community

What I learned:

Question to consider: How can I help cultivate today the characteristics of real community in my small group and my church?

Day 20 – Restoring Broken Fellowship

What I learned:

Question to consider: Who do I need to restore a broken relationship with today?

Day 21 – Protecting Your Church

What I learned:

Question to consider: What am I personally doing to protect unity in my church family right now?

Questions that I have?

PURPOSE #3 – You Were Created to Become Like Christ

Day 22 – Created to Become Like Christ

What I learned:

Question to consider: In what area of my life do I need to ask for the Spirit's power to be like Christ today?

Day 23 – How We Grow

What I learned:

Question to consider: What is one area where I need to stop thinking *my* way and start thinking *God's* way?