## Committed

The five loves of the committed Christian Mark 12:28-34

# What and/or who are you really committed to?

## **Heart - Character**

19 "Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moths and vermin destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. 20 But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moths and vermin do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. 21 For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Matthew 6

## **Heart - Character**

- What do you dream about? What do you daydream about?
- What do you treasure?
- Do you love worshipping God?
- What does your money show you are committed to?

## **Mind - Comprehension**

We demolish arguments and every pretension that sets itself up against the knowledge of God, and we take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ.

#### 2 Corinthians 10:5

## **Mind - Comprehension**

How much does scripture influence your thinking, personal ethics, politics and world view?

- How much does popular culture, secularism, humanism, fear of man etc. shape you?
- What are you learning and trying to understand? What are you reading?
- How committed are you to reading the Bible?

## **Strength - Competence**

**3** and I have filled him with the Spirit of God, with wisdom, with understanding, with knowledge and with all kinds of skills— **4** to make artistic designs for work in gold, silver and bronze, **5** to cut and set stones, to work in wood, and to engage in all kinds of crafts.

#### Exodus 31

## **Strength - Competence**

What are you good at?

What do you do with your talent?

What is the no1 skills you are working on now (based on feedback)?

How do you use your talents to serve God?

What does your activity between 9-5 most days show you are committed to?

## Soul - Calling

**11** For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. **12** Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. **13** You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart.

#### Jeremiah 29:11

## Soul - Calling



Are you a committed member of a church? Do you meet regularly with other Christians in a smaller setting, not just on Sundays? Are you a consumer or a server at church? Do you act like an owner or a customer at church?

Cause

What does your diary show you are committed to? What makes you righteously angry? What were you made for? Are you pursuing your calling? What do you pray for and about consistently?

## **Neighbours - Compassion**

**30** Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.' **31** The second is this: 'Love your neighbour as yourself.' There is no commandment greater than these.

Mark 12

## **Neighbours - Compassion**

Are you a faithful friend and neighbour?

When did you last have a real DMC / heart to heart?

- Do your friendships show a commitment to diversity and inclusion?
- How much time did you spend with people this week who are not like you?

Do you reach out to people and invite them to things? When was your last selfless act?

When did you last have a spiritual conversation?

Do you talk to your neighbour about Jesus?

# HS commitment determines Vours

9 For the eyes of the Lord range throughout the earth to strengthen those whose hearts are fully committed to him.

2 Chronicles 16:9