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Textbooks

Summary: How to Find, Follow, Fulfill God's Will Paperback

– by Andrew Wommack

Most people have lost a sense of destiny, God's will for their lives. Many even believe you just can't know God's will — that in His sovereignty, He will make it happen regardless of what you do. Too long this viewpoint has kept Christians from knowing the full potential He planned for them. But no more. God created you with a specific purpose, and the good news is, He wants you to find it.

Just knowing God's will, however, isn't enough. You need to understand the part you play if you're going to follow it. You might be surprised to learn it involves following the desires of your heart. But before you set off, make sure you're able to distinguish His will from your own selfish desires.

One of the most important lessons of all is that you can't fulfill God's will any way you want. His strength and timing, and your obedience and patience are just a few of the things it takes. This book explains all this and much more, including how Andrew found, has followed, and is fulfilling God's will for his life. This will help you on your way to doing just the same!

Summary: Liberating the Bride: The Story of Setting the American Church Free

– by Dr Stephen Cassell

In the infamous pandemic of 2020 the world was forced into tyranny through lock-downs and unlawful mandates. Steve could read the writing on the wall and anticipated that the assault was really about eliminating the Church. Jesus said in Matthew 16:18 that it was the Ekklesia (Church) that would be the offensive force against the working of hell, and therefore is one of the most essential and vital entities in America. This is the first pastor in the nation to take on the Goliath of tyranny and become the "tip of the spear" for the defense of the Church. Steve, his family and their Beloved Church was vilified and ravaged by the media and culture for his First Amendment stance. Eventually the outcome was that the illegal and discriminatory mandates were overturned by the Supreme Court of the United States and all of the Churches in America were victoriously Liberated!

On Being a Pastor: Understanding Our Calling and Work

– by Derek Prime & Alistair Begg

Now in paperback, *On Being a Pastor* is an essential tool to help pastors fulfill their calling. A pastor's responsibilities are unique, demanding that he nurture his own spiritual life as well as that of the people in his care. Derek Prime and Alistair Begg provide practical advice for both the spiritual and practical aspects of pastoral ministry. Topics include prayer, devotional habits, preaching, and specific ministry duties.

1. WATCH: watch each video and write a 1-page paper with personal reflections for each video.
 - Take Authority: <https://youtu.be/KM9-oVAY7NM>
 - Divine Destiny: <https://youtu.be/w9SOggW-RCI>
 - Walk With God: <https://youtu.be/xGQPVRrVovA>
 - DIVINE PURPOSE SERIES (Watch 15 Videos) : <https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PL6I-nZKm-u1WchbAUAwdufQI4OtyYQ1tX>
2. PRECIS: write one paper* to include the content in three textbooks considering the perspectives of the videos applied to the books. The paper should describe your intentional approach to the ministry creating a plan of action for effective longevity and purposeful life action as a shepherd. Pages according to degree work per degree for book report requirement:
 - Master: 20
 - Doctorate: 30

*In this course there are some aspects of the books (and possibly videos) that CTS (and you) may not completely agree with ideologically. Part of this class is to review the differences in opinion and formulate your own views conceptually clarifying what to take with you into your strategic vision of personal ministry and what to leave behind. This should come out clearly in your writing.

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The purpose of this class is purpose. Far too often in ministry the activities we perform and pursue become lifelessly mechanical and possibly even unrelated to the original calling that passionately launched us into this Kingdom adventure we refer to as our ministry. The priority to “keep the main thing, the main thing” is something we would all concede, but how do we make that a daily focus while shepherding a cantankerous flock, leading a multi-visioned leadership team, serve our spouse and family, while still fervently seeking the heart of God in intimate relationship?

The “burn-out” phenomena in ministry is nearing epidemic proportion with Barna surveys stating that as many as 1,500 ministers in America leave per month! If one is not concretely anchored to “why” they do what they do and are resolved to that “why”, more importantly, that it comes from their Creator/Heavenly Father it will be expected to find much easier places to spend the energies of their life. This is that once charismatic leader who is selling cars in the secular world because ministry was just too hard and the people too mean. We at CTS desire for you to not only launch into your divine calling but follow it with invigoration for all of your life in a way that brings satisfaction and fulfillment to the totality of your life.

This course is designed to “stir up the gifts of God in you” in such a way as to help keep your life’s compass pointed towards true north as diligently as possible. This is not about the rapid acceleration made popular by the “blow in, blow up, and blow out” model of modern, progressive Christianity. This course is based on following the biblical model of BEING the minister you were created and ordained to be. In this regard then the functions of ministry are no longer things that you DO but fruits of who you ARE. If you can effectively and properly identify the character and divine purpose of who you are then the natural and organic growth of what you do, or the fruits of your life, will be grounded into the foundations of your ministry. Success in life and ministry becomes inevitable.