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OUR SPIRIT  
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OUR CALLING  
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OUR PURSUIT

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## Our Seventh Core Value: **PASSION IS OUR PURSUIT**

**Philippians 3:7-14** – The very credentials these people are waving around as something special, I’m tearing up and throwing out with the trash—along with everything else I used to take credit for. And why? Because of Christ.

<sup>8</sup> Yes, all the things I once thought were so important are gone from my life. Compared to the high privilege of knowing Christ Jesus as my Master, firsthand, everything I once thought I had going for me is insignificant—dog dung. I’ve dumped it all in the trash so that I could embrace Christ <sup>9</sup> and be embraced by him. I didn’t want some petty, inferior brand of righteousness that comes from keeping a list of rules when I could get the robust kind that comes from trusting Christ—God’s righteousness.<sup>10</sup> I gave up all that inferior stuff so I could know Christ personally, experience his resurrection power, be a partner in his suffering, and go all the way with him to death itself.

<sup>11</sup> If there was any way to get in on the resurrection from the dead, I wanted to do it.

<sup>12</sup> I’m not saying that I have this all together, that I have it made. But I am well on my way, reaching out for Christ, who has so wondrously reached out for me. <sup>13</sup> Friends, don’t get me wrong: By no means do I count myself an expert in all of this, but I’ve got my eye on the goal, where God is beckoning us onward—to Jesus. <sup>14</sup> I’m off and running, and I’m not turning back!

**Everything we do, we do it with Passion.  
From our worship to our service we do it  
with Holy Ghost energy. Passion drives us.  
Passion for JESUS. Passion for PEOPLE.  
Passion for HIS CHURCH.**

**1<sup>st</sup> I’m passionate about the fact that  
“JESUS IS MY MESSAGE!”**

**Philippians 1:21** – For to me, to live is Christ, and to die is gain.

**2<sup>nd</sup> I’m passionate about the fact that  
“PEOPLE ARE MY HEART!”**

**Matthew 9:36** – When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd.

**3<sup>rd</sup> I’m passionate about the truth that  
“GENEROSITY IS OUR PRIVILEGE!”**

**4<sup>th</sup> I’m passionate about the fact that  
“EXCELLENCE IS OUR SPIRIT!”**

**5<sup>th</sup> I’m passionate about “SERVANT  
LEADERSHIP IS MY IDENTITY!”**

**Revelation 22:12** – Look, I am coming soon! My reward is with me, and I will give to each person according to what they have done.

**6<sup>th</sup> I’m passionate that “HONOR IS  
MY CALLING!”**

- 1/ Jesus is Our Message
- 2/ People are our Heart
- 3/ Generosity is Our Privilege
- 4/ Excellence is Our Spirit
- 5/ Servant Leadership is Our Identity
- 6/ Honor is Our Calling
- 7/ Passion is Our Pursuit