



Lion Maker

A Call to Personal Growth, Maturity, Wholeness & Impact

Colossians 1:28, 29 – The Message: *“That is the substance of our Message. We preach Christ, warning people not to add to the Message. We teach in a spirit of profound common sense so that we can bring each person to maturity. To be mature is to be basic. Christ! No more, no less. That’s what I’m working so hard at day after day, year after year, doing my best with the energy God so generously gives me.”*

II Timothy 2:1, 2 – The Message: *So, my son, throw yourself into this work for Christ. Pass on what you heard from me—the whole congregation saying Amen! —to reliable leaders who are competent to teach others.*

II Samuel 23:39 – “... thirty-seven in all.”

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LION MAKER – FIGHT FOR INTEGRITY!
Jesus calls us to BOTH – BE a Lion and GO make Lions

February 16, 2023

Bible Verses: Luke 2:52; Matthew 28:18-20, II Samuel 23:8-17, II Samuel 23:18-23, I Corinthians 15:30-33, Revelation 2:17

Music: The Charlie Daniels Band | The Devil Went Down To Georgia - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xE3D09y6jv4>

Video: Braveheart - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j0X7nSLMV5c>

Resources: Book: CHASE THE LION – *If Your Dream Doesn’t Scare You, It’s Too Small* by Mark Batterson

A DREAM – written down with a Date becomes a ...

GOAL – a Goal broken down into steps becomes a ...

PLAN – a Plan backed by ...

ACTION – makes your Dreams a ...

REALITY

LION MAKER – BE A DISCIPLE - Luke 2:52 →

“And Jesus increased in wisdom and in stature and in favor with God and man.”

1. **Physical Growth**
2. **Emotional Growth**
3. **Social/Relational Growth**
4. **Spiritual Growth**

LION MAKER – ON THE TEAM! – II Samuel 23:24 – “Among the Thirty”

1. _____ → The greatest badge of honor for Benaiah isn’t the fact he chased a lion or killed two mighty Moabites. It’s the fact that he stayed loyal to Solomon when David died. Benaiah was the linchpin between David and Solomon’s administrations. When others committed treason, Benaiah stayed loyal to the royal. It was his integrity, not his bravery, that landed him his second dream job.
2. _____ → David was the one crowned king, but it was a team effort. Without a team, no dream can be accomplished. Does your dream involve, inspire, and rally others to your cause?
3. _____ → Our natural tendency is to surround ourselves with people like us. But if you want to grow yourself, you can’t surround yourself with a bunch of yes men. You need people who think differently and lead differently. Without tension there is no melody, no harmony. Bad company corrupts good character (I Cor. 15:30-33), but good company helps you go from good to great.

LION MAKER – KNOW YOUR ROLE ON THE TEAM! – II Samuel 23:30 – “Benaiah the Pirathonite.

1. _____ → Every mighty man, to a man, risked life and limb for David. Each one’s energies were devoted to helping David fulfill his dream. Nothing is more impressive than a down-to-earth dreamer who understands that leadership is first and foremost servanthood. Is your dream about you? Or is it about others?
2. _____ → On bad days, Benaiah the Pirathonite may have felt as if he was second string or a third wheel. The mighty men pledged their fame and fortunes to what seemed to be a lost cause at the time, a fugitive named David. They knew David would get the glory, and they were okay with that. Why? Because David’s dream was their dream. See Revelation 2:17.
3. _____ → David would never have become king without a band of brothers. David’s greatest talent may have been attracting talent. You need a dream that necessitates thirty-seven mighty men. You need a dream that scares you!

ACTION: Journal This!

1. What are your DREAMS? Would you share what ACTION you are taking as a result of this series?
2. What does integrity mean to you? Do you value your own personal integrity? How much is integrity important in those you follow and have followed?
3. 3Who is on your TEAM?



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“The Devil Went Down to Georgia” by The Charlie Daniels Band

<p>The Devil went down to Georgia. He was lookin' for a soul to steal. He was in a bind 'cause he was way behind and he was willing to make a deal When he came across this young man sawin' on a fiddle and playin' it hot. And the Devil jumped upon a hickory stump and said, "Boy, let me tell you what." "I guess you didn't know it, but I'm a fiddle player, too. And if you'd care to take a dare I'll make a bet with you. Now you play a pretty good fiddle, boy, but give the Devil his due. I'll bet a fiddle of gold against your soul 'cause I think I'm better than you." The boy said, "My name's Johnny, and it might be a sin,</p>	<p>But I'll take your bet; you're gonna regret 'cause I'm the best there's ever been." Johnny, rosin up your bow and play your fiddle hard. 'Cause Hell's broke loose in Georgia and the Devil deals the cards. And if you win you get this shiny fiddle made of gold, But if you lose the Devil gets your soul. The Devil opened up his case and he said, "I'll start this show." And fire flew from his fingertips as he rosined up his bow. And he pulled the bow across the strings and it made an evil hiss. And a band of demons joined in and it sounded something like this. When the Devil finished, Johnny said, "Well, you're pretty good, old son, But sit down in that chair right there, let me show you how it's done."</p>	<p>"Fire on the Mountain". Run, boys, run! The Devil's in the house of the rising sun; Chicken in the bread pan picking out dough. Granny, does your dog bite? No, child, no. The Devil bowed his head because he knew that he'd been beat. And he laid that golden fiddle on the ground at Johnny's feet. Johnny said, "Devil, just come on back, if you ever wanna try again, I done told you once, you son of a _____, I'm the best that's ever been." And he played: "Fire on the Mountain". Run, boys, run! Devil's in the house of the rising sun; The chicken in the bread pan picking out dough. Granny, will your dog bite? No, child, no.</p>
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Bible Verses – The Message

<p>Luke 2:52 - 52 And Jesus matured, growing up in both body and spirit, blessed by both God and people.</p> <p>Matthew 28:18-20 - 18 Jesus, undeterred, went right ahead and gave his charge: "God authorized and commanded me to commission you: 19 Go out and train everyone you meet, far and near, in this way of life, marking them by baptism in the threefold name: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. 20 Then instruct them in the practice of all I have commanded you. I'll be with you as you do this, day after day after day, right up to the end of the age."</p> <p>II Samuel 23:8-17 - 8 This is the listing of David's top men. Joshebbasshebeth, the Tahkemonite. He was chief of the Three. He once put his spear to work against eight hundred - killed them all in a day.9 Eleazar son of Dodai the Ahohite was the next of the elite Three. He was with David when the Philistines poked fun at them at Pas Dammim. When the Philistines drew up for battle, Israel retreated.10 But Eleazar stood his ground and killed Philistines right and left until he was exhausted - but he never let go of his sword! A big win for God that day. The army then rejoined Eleazar, but all there was left to do was the clean-up. 11 Shammah son of Agee the Hararite was the third of the Three. The Philistines had mustered for battle at Lehi, where there was a field full of lentils. Israel fled before the Philistines 12, but Shammah took his stand at the center of the field, successfully defended it, and routed the Philistines. Another great victory for God! 13 One day during harvest, the Three parted from the Thirty and joined David at the Cave of Adullam. A squad of Philistines had set up camp in the Valley of Rephaim.14 While David was holed up in the Cave, the Philistines had their base camp in Bethlehem 15 David had a sudden craving and said, "Would I ever like a drink of water from the well at the gate of Bethlehem!"16 So the Three penetrated the Philistine lines, drew water from the well at the gate of Bethlehem, and brought it back to David. But David wouldn't drink it; he poured it out as an offering to God, 17 saying, "There is no way, God, that I'll drink this! This isn't mere water, it's their life-blood - they risked their very lives to bring it!" So David refused to drink it. This is the sort of thing that the Three did.</p>	<p>II Samuel 23:18-23 - 18 Abishai brother of Joab and son of Zeruiah was the head of the Thirty. He once got credit for killing three hundred with his spear, but he was never named in the same breath as the Three.19 He was the most respected of the Thirty and was their captain, but never got included among the Three 20 Benaiah son of Jehoiada from Kabzeel was a vigorous man who accomplished a great deal. He once killed two lion cubs in Moab. Another time, on a snowy day, he climbed down into a pit and killed a lion.21 Another time he killed a formidable Egyptian. The Egyptian was armed with a spear and Benaiah went against him with nothing but a walking stick; he seized the spear from his grip and killed him with his own spear 22 These are the things that Benaiah son of Jehoiada is famous for. But neither did he ever get ranked with the Three.23 He was held in greatest respect among the Thirty, but he never got included with the Three. David put him in charge of his bodyguard.</p> <p>I Corinthians 15:30-33 – 30 And why do you think I keep risking my neck in this dangerous work? 31 I look death in the face practically every day I live. Do you think I'd do this if I wasn't convinced of your resurrection and mine as guaranteed by the resurrected Messiah Jesus? 32 Do you think I was just trying to act heroic when I fought the wild beasts at Ephesus, hoping it wouldn't be the end of me? Not on your life! It's resurrection, resurrection, always resurrection, that undergirds what I do and say, the way I live. If there's no resurrection, "We eat, we drink, the next day we die," and that's all there is to it. 33 But don't fool yourselves. Don't let yourselves be poisoned by this anti-resurrection loose talk. "Bad company ruins good manners."</p> <p>Revelation 2:17 - 17 "Are your ears awake? Listen. Listen to the Wind Words, the Spirit blowing through the churches. I'll give the sacred manna to every conqueror; I'll also give a clear, smooth stone inscribed with your new name, your secret new name."</p>
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