My Life Mission

1. God is the center of my life.

• Success is knowing, loving, and trusting God as my best friend.

"Let not the wise man boast of his wisdom or the strong man boast of his strength or the rich man boast of his riches, but let him who boasts boast about this: that he understands and knows me, that I am the Lord." Jeremiah 9:23-24

"<u>Friendship with God</u> is reserved for those who reverence him. With them alone he shares the secrets of his promises." Psalms 25:14

"Knowing God results in every other kind of understanding." Proverbs 9:10

"For he who waits upon the Lord shall renew his strength, he shall mount up on wings like Eagles, he shall run and not be weary, he shall walk and not faint." Isaiah 40:31

2. Jesus is the model of character for my life.

• Success is thinking and acting like Christ in every situation.

"For from the very beginning God decided that those who came to him... should become like his son." Romans 8:29

"As the spirit works within us, we become more and more like him." 2 Corinthians 3:18

"Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus." Philippians 2:5

• Success is having those who know me best respect me most.

"It is a wonderful heritage to have an honest father." Proverbs 20:7

"I will try and walk a blameless path, but how I need your help, especially in my own home, where I long to act as I should." Psalms 101:2

"Live a life worthy of the of the calling you have received." Ephesians 4:1

"Keep a critical eye both upon your own life and on the teaching you give...and you will not only save your own soul, but the souls of your hearers as well." 1 Timothy 4:16

Success is being wise and balanced.

"<u>Getting wisdom</u> is the most important thing you can do!...If you exalt wisdom, she will exalt you." Proverbs 4:7-8

"Wisdom will make the hours of your day more profitable and the years of your life more fruitful." Proverbs 9:11

• Success is maintaining my health and energy to do God's will.

"praying...that your body is as healthy as I know your soul is." 3 John 2

"A relaxed mind makes for physical health..." Proverbs 14:30

3. My life will make a contribution.

Success is developing and using the abilities God gave me.

"God has given each of you some special abilities; be sure to use them to help each other, passing on to others God's many kinds of blessings." 1 Peter 4:10

• Success is meeting Lisa's needs so well she's never tempted to look elsewhere.

"Show the same kind of love to your wife as Christ showed to the Church when he died for her." Ephesians 5:25

"Be careful of your wife, <u>being thoughtful of her needs</u> and honoring her...Remember that you and your wife are partners in receiving God's blessings, and if you don't treat her as you should, your prayers will not get ready answers." 1 Peter 3:7

"Honor your marriage and its vows, and be pure." Hebrews 13:4

 Success is raising my kids to love God with all of their hearts, to have Biblical convictions about right & wrong, to know their worth and feel loved, and to know their gifts and life purpose.

"Don't keep scolding and nagging your children, making them angry and resentful. Rather, <u>bring them up with the loving discipline</u> the Lord himself approves with suggestions and Godly advice. Ephesians 6:4

• Success is honoring my parents, loving and caring for them.

"If you honor your father and mother, yours will be a long life, full of blessing." Ephesians 6:3

• Success is using my gifts in the role as Membership Pastor at Saddleback by leading like Jesus. "Don't be a tyrant, but <u>lead</u> them by your good example, and when the Head Shepherd comes, your reward will be a never-ending share in his glory. 1 Peter 5:3-4

"To enjoy your work and accept your lot in life--that is indeed a gift from God. The person that does that will not need to look back with sorrow on his past, for God gives him joy." Ecclesiastes 5:20

• Success is loving and helping friends and family.

"If I were burned alive for preaching the Gospel but didn't <u>love</u> others, it would be of no value whatever." 1 Corinthians 13:3

"Just as there are many parts to our bodies, so it is with Christ's body. We are all parts of it, and it takes every one of us to make it complete, for we each have different work to do. So we belong to each other, and each needs all the others." Romans 12:4-4

Success is serving in my ministry.

"God in his grace, chose me even before I was born, and called me to serve him." Galatians 1:15

"I urge you to live a life worthy of the <u>calling</u> you have received." Ephesians 4:1

4. My life will communicate His Kingdom.

• Success is sharing how Jesus changed my life and how much fun and fulfillment there is in a relationship with him.

"Life is worth nothing unless I use it for doing the work assigned me by the Lord Jesus.... the work of telling others the Good News about God's mighty kindness and love." Acts 20:24

".... Our goal is to measure up to God's plan for us...." 2 Corinthians 10:13

"Come to me, all of you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light." Matthew 11:28-30

James 5:16

Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective.

Galatians 6:2

Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ.

Proverbs 15:22

Plans fail for lack of counsel, but with many advisers they succeed.