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CLOUT

DISCOVER AND UNLEASH YOUR GOD-GIVEN INFLUENCE

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YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE AFRAID

Confronting Fear

- What fears make you feel that you can't handle it? Take a few minutes and write them down.
- What truth from Scripture confronts that fear?
- Review the promises that God made to his people in Scripture when they were afraid. Which one of these promises do you need to remember?

YOU MORE THAN MEASURE UP

Putting a Stop to Comparison

- For one day write down every time you are tempted to compare yourself to others. Keep a detailed journal of the people you compare yourself to and why.
- What sins does comparison usually lead to in your life: envy, jealousy, insecurity, greed, selfishness, pride, anger, resentment, or ingratitude?
- In all your comparisons, what are you missing about your unique God-given influence?

YOU ARE ENOUGH

Understanding the Impact of Jealousy

- Do you wrestle more with jealousy or envy?
- Is there someone in your life of whom you are regularly jealous? What could you do to begin championing that person?
- What are you most tempted to envy? How could you take your focus off what you lack and find gratefulness in what you have?

YOU HAVE ENOUGH

Squeezing Out Scarcity

- Do you struggle with scarcity? If you do, where do you think your mind-set of scarcity originated?
- Are you more tempted to hoard your words, your time, or your opportunities?
- What are two things you could do to be more generous in this area?

YOU ARE GOOD ENOUGH

Identifying Insecurity

- What part of the definition of *insecurity* most resonates with you? Can you identify where this insecurity may have started?
- Where do you see insecurity impacting your influence? Which of the examples from this chapter can you relate to?
- What steps can you take to identify insecurity more quickly in your life and take it to God?
- Look for situations in which you can turn insecurities into opportunities to love and encourage others.

YOU DON'T HAVE TO KNOW IT ALL

Purging Pride

- What enemy (or enemies) is pride trying to cover up in your life: fear, comparison, jealousy, scarcity, envy, or insecurity?
- What desire is pride falsely fulfilling for you: perfection, importance, performance, or independence?
- Where do you need to get truly honest about pride's impact on your life?
- Where can you invite community in to make the replacement for humility?

YOU CAN LET GO

Relinquishing Control

- Where do you see control impacting your influence?
- Are you most tempted to control outcomes or others or both?
- What are you anxious about? Is control driving your anxiety?
- What can you do to replace control with trust?

DISCOVERING YOUR IDENTITY

- When you were a kid, what did you want to be when you grew up? Is there anything about that early desire that gives you a glimpse of your unique, God-given influence?
- Have you experienced a crisis of purpose—a season when what you thought you understood about yourself was challenged?
- How have you allowed others' expectations, society's norms, your mistakes, or your experiences to shape who you are?

DEVELOPING YOUR CONFIDENCE

- Think back to God's promises about you from the beginning of this chapter. What other promises from Scripture remind you of God's desire to have a relationship with you?
- Schedule a consistent time in your calendar to talk to God each week. Make sure it's in keeping with how you best connect with God, and guard this time.
- Share with a trusted friend, pastor, or counselor the area in which you are having trouble being obedient. Ask this person to pray with you and hold you accountable to it.
- Stop making excuses, and try to identify solutions or small incremental steps that you can take toward being obedient.

DEFINING YOUR MISSION

- Do you confuse work with your employment?
- Can you define your spiritual gifts and talents? If not, take time to discover what they are.
- How do you and others describe your personality?
- Which purpose of work is the most difficult for you to believe: to glorify God, to benefit others, to make God smile, or to give us hope?

DETERMINING YOUR PASSION

- What experiences has God uniquely given you?
- Do you have a tendency to try to manipulate or control the things that God gives you? How could you live with open hands?
- Take some time to define where you are, where you want to go, and how you're going to get there.

CONCLUSION

Unleashing Your Clout

- Where do you see glimpses of your God-given influence?
- Which clout killers are the most troublesome for you? What steps can you take to begin replacing them?
- Where do you need to go first and lead the way for others when it comes to living out your God-given influence?

RESOURCES

SPIRITUAL GIFTS ASSESSMENT

Lifechurch.tv provides a free Spiritual Gifts assessment on their church resource site. Go to http://open .lifechurch.tv/ to create an account and access this great resource.

STRENGTHSFINDER ASSESSMENT

The StrengthsFinder Assessment is available for a nominal fee on the Gallup Strengths Center website: https://www.gallupstrengthscenter.com/.

ADDITIONAL PERSONALITY TESTS

There are a number of great tests that may be helpful in better understanding your personality.

- DISC Profile: http://www.discprofile.com/
- Enneagram: https://www.enneagraminstitute.com/
- Myers-Briggs: http://www.myersbriggs.org/

Books

S.H.A.P.E.: Finding and Fulfilling Your Unique Purpose for Life by Erik Rees

Now, Discover Your Strengths by Marcus Buckingham and Donald O. Clifton

StrengthsFinder 2.0 by Tom Rath