

# 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 – I WILL RUN TO THE ROAR!

Jesus calls us to BOTH – BE a Lion and GO make Lions

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Bible Verses: Luke 2:52; Matthew 28:18-20, II Samuel 23:8-17, II Samuel 23:18-23

Music: for KING & COUNTRY - Burn the Ships - <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pOVrOuKVBuY">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pOVrOuKVBuY</a> Video #1: Jentezen Franklin The Boaz family tree - <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3hXnlaJwWY4">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3hXnlaJwWY4</a>

Video #2: Stutz Trailer #1 2022 - <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8|Aa9O5|V3c">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8|Aa9O5|V3c</a>

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 - I WILL FIGHT!**

<ul> <li>II Samuel 23:20-23 -</li> </ul>	– "A VALIANT MAN	. A DOFR OF GREAT DEF	DS."

1.	→ Fighters don't walk away when the going gets tough; they fight to the finish for their
	convictions. Fighters don't give up when everyone is against them; they fight against the status quo. And fighters don't shrink back when the odds
	are against them; they fight back for what they believe. The Enemy comes to steal your joy, kill your dreams, and destroy your life. Jesus came that you might have life! Will YOU fight?
2.	→ Valor is a gift. Those having it never know for sure whether they have it till the test comes. Valor is
	running toward trouble when everyone else is running away. Until the pain of staying the same becomes greater than the pain of change, nothing
	happens!
3.	→ Delayed obedience disguised as prudence is disobedience. Faith isn't logical or
	illogical; it's theological. Faith isn't prudent or imprudent; it's valiant. "What if the life you really want, and the future God wants for you, is hiding right now in your biggest problem, your worst failure, your greatest fear?" – from <b>In a Pit with a Lion on a Snowy Day.</b>

### LION MAKER - I WILL RUN TO THE ROAR!

# - II Samuel 23:20 - "... he climbed down into a pit and killed a lion."

٠.	/ Don't accumulate possessions, accumulate experiences. The sau reality is that most people spend
	their lives accumulating the wrong things. Instead of accumulating experiences, they accumulate possessions. The day you stop dreaming is the day
	you start dying!
2.	→ Psychologists tell us that we're born with two fears—the fear of falling and the fear of

- 2. \_\_\_\_→ Psychologists tell us that we're born with two fears—the fear of falling and the fear of loud noises. Every other fear is learned, which means that every other fear can be unlearned. Faith is the process of unlearning those fears. "Perfect love casts out fear." God is in the business of helping us overcome our fears, but HE often does it by bringing us face to face with our worst fears.
- 3. \_\_\_\_\_\_ → You can run away from what you're afraid of, but you'll be running the rest of your life. At some point you have to face your fear. And when you do, you'll discover that fear itself is a coward in the face of courage. At the end of our lives, our greatest regrets won't be the mistakes we made. It'll be the opportunities we left on the table. What lion do you need to chase?

# **ACTION: Journal This!**

- 1. What are your DREAMS? Would you share what ACTION you are taking as a result of this series?
- 2. What battle are you facing today?
- 3. What opportunity do you have to "kill a lion"?

# Burn the Ships – for King & Country

How did we get here? We're castaway on a lonely shore I can see in your eyes, dear It's hard to take for a moment more We've got to Burn the ships, cut the ties Send a flare into the night Say a prayer, turn the tide Dry your tears and wave goodbye Step into a new day We can rise up from the dust and walk away We can dance upon the heartache, yeah So light a match, leave the past, burn the ships And don't you look back Don't let it arrest you Don't let it arrest you This fear this fear of fallin' again

And if you need a refuge I will be right here until the end Oh, it's time to Burn the ships, cut the ties Send a flare into the night Say a prayer, turn the tide Dry your tears and wave goodbye Step into a new day We can rise up from the dust and walk away We can dance upon the heartache, yeah So light a match, leave the past, burn the ships And don't you look back So long to shame Walk through the sorrow Out of the fire Into tomorrow So flush the pills

Face the fear Feel the weight disappear We're comin' clear We're born again Our hopeful lungs can breathe again Oh, we can breathe again Step into a new day We can rise up from the dust and walk away We can dance upon the heartache, yeah So light a match, leave the past, burn the ships And step into a new day We can rise up from the dust and walk away We can dance upon the heartache, yeah So light a match, leave the past, burn the ships And don't you look back And don't you look back And don't you look back

#### Bible Verses - NIV

**1 Timothy 4:16** - Watch your life and doctrine closely. Persevere in them, because if you do, you will save both yourself and your hearers.

**Romans 12:3** - For by the grace given me I say to every one of you: Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment, in accordance with the faith God has distributed to each of you.

**2 Corinthians 13:5** - Examine yourselves to see whether you are in the faith; test yourselves. Do you not realize that Christ Jesus is in you — unless, of course, you fail the test?

**Galatians 6:3** - If anyone thinks they are something when they are not, they deceive themselves.

**Proverbs 20:5** - The purposes of a person's heart are deep waters, but one who has insight draws them out.

**Jeremiah 17:9** - The heart is deceitful above all things and beyond cure. Who can understand it?

Psalm 26:2 - Test me, Lord, and try me, examine my heart and my mind...

**Proverbs 21:2** - A person may think their own ways are right, but the Lord weighs the heart.

**Proverbs 14:8** - The wisdom of the prudent is to give thought to their ways, but the folly of fools is deception.

**Romans 12:2** - Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is —his good, pleasing and perfect will.

Matthew 15:13-17 - Then the disciples came to him and asked, "Do you know that the Pharisees were offended when they heard this?" He replied, "Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be pulled up by the roots. Leave them; they are blind (unaware) guides. If the blind (UNAWARE) lead the blind (UNAWARE), both will fall into a pit." Peter said, "Explain the parable to us."

"Are you still so DULL?" Jesus asked them. "Don't you SEE....
DULL - too lazy to understand, without an edge, moronic, the idea is they are "slow"



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