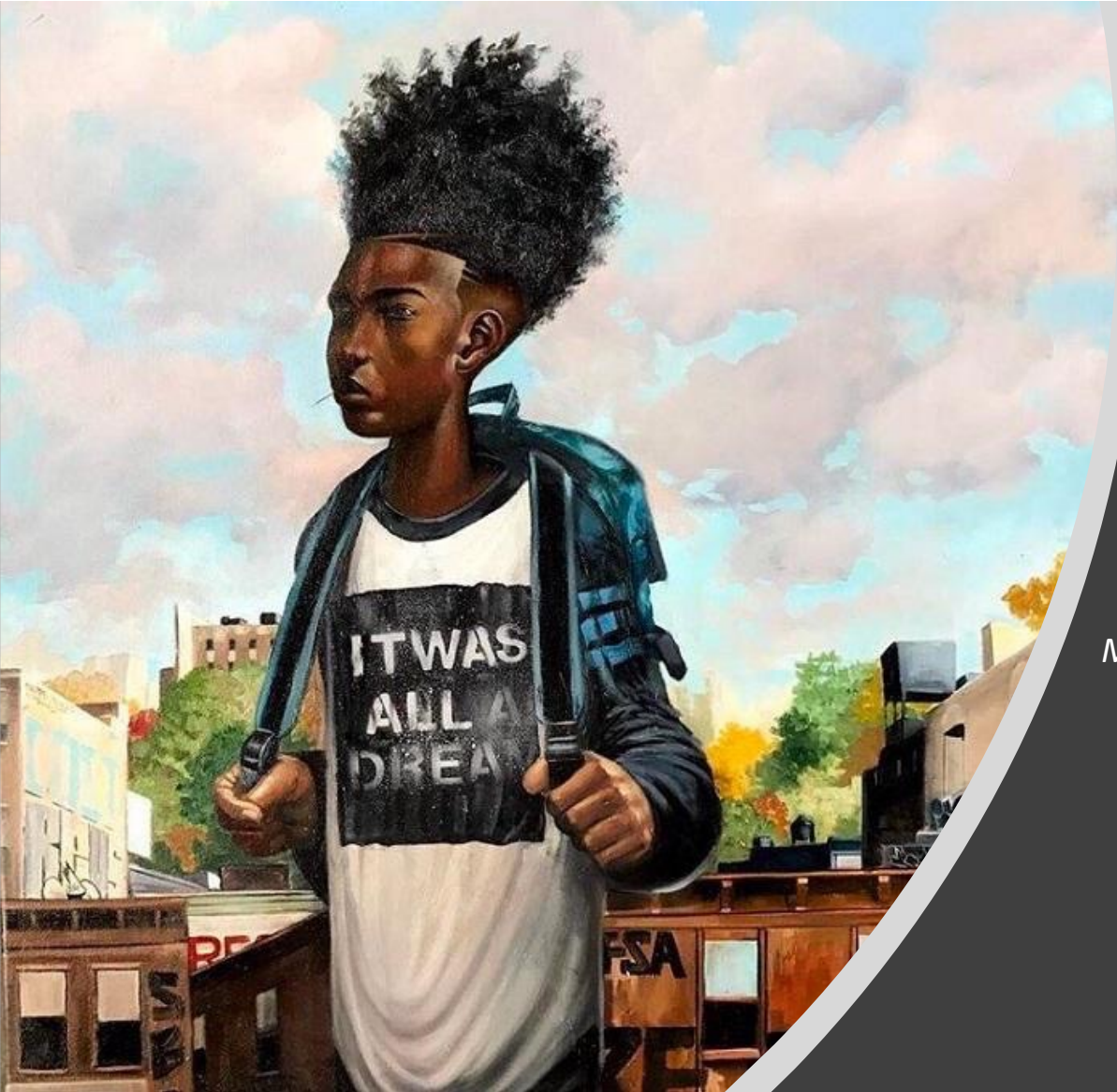


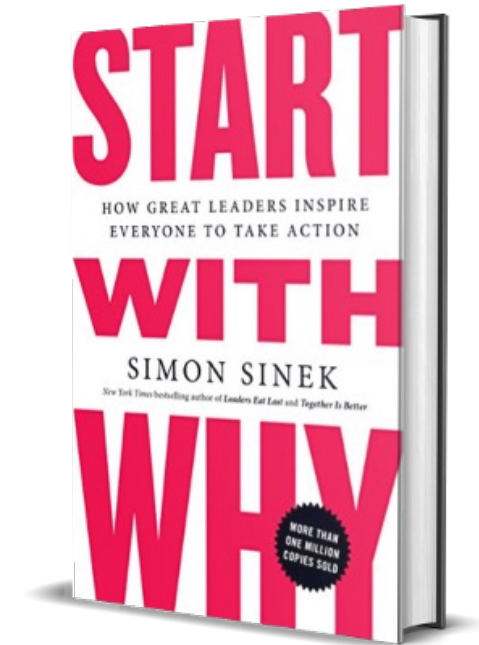
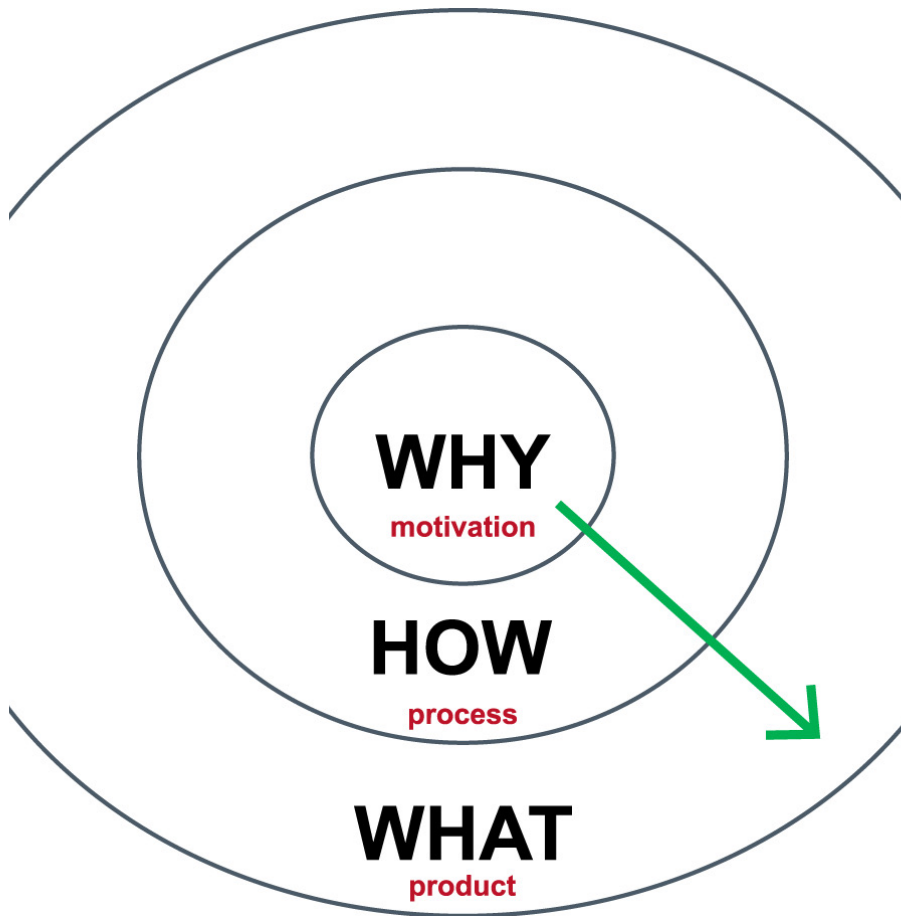
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DISCOVERING YOUR PASSION

Matching Your Passion with Your Company's Mission



“Regardless of WHAT we do in our lives, our WHY - our driving purpose, cause or belief - never changes. All organizations start with WHY, but only the great ones keep their WHY clear year after year.”

“People don’t buy WHAT you do, they buy WHY you do it.”

“When you compete against everyone else, no one wants to help you. But when you compete against yourself, everyone wants to help you.”

What is **PASSION**?

ENTHUSIASM

“En” – in

“Theos” – of God

What are you enthusiastic
or ‘in God’ about?

Why is Passion so Important?

1. **Motivation** is or becomes limited to do things you're not passionate about.
2. Passion comes from having a **Connection** to your why & your who not just the what. How, where and when are negotiable secondary concerns.
3. When you're not motivated and connected, you stop **Contributing** or your contributions begin to lack energy, imagination and innovation.

Acts ON STAGE

change lives dramatically

Starts here →



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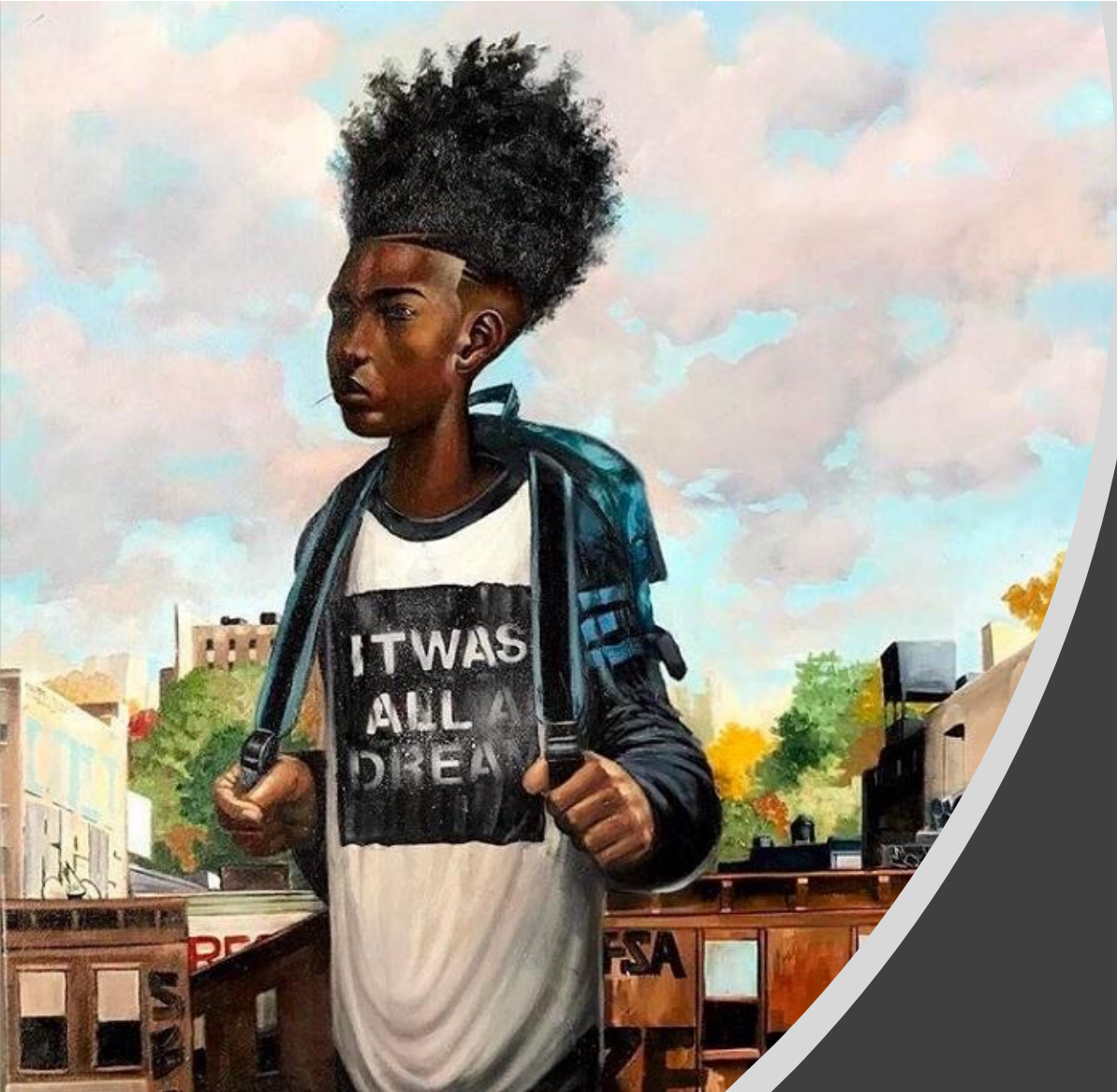
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Answer these Questions...

What most **EXCITES** you in or about the world?

Think in broad terms. Example - humor, beauty, creativity, teens, families, entertainment, adventure, peace, education, environment, the elderly, the church, God, purpose, motivating experiences

What most **ANGERS** you in or about the world?

Think in broad terms. Example - racism, evil, domestic violence, sexual deviance, injustice, poverty.

What Is Your **ACTION**?

From each slide,
pick the 3-4 verbs
that **MOST** excite you.

Write them down.



Accomplish
Acquire
Adopt
Advance
Affect
Alleviate
Amplify
Appreciate
Ascend
Associate
Believe
Bestow
Brighten

Build
Call
Cause
Choose
Claim
Collect
Combine
Command
Communicate
Compel
Compete
Complete

Compliment
Compose
Conceive
Confirm
Connect
Consider
Construct
Contact
Continue
Counsel
Create
Decide
Defend

Delight
Deliver
Demonstrate
Devise
Direct
Discover
Discuss
Distribute
Draft
Dream
Drive
Educate
Elect

Embrace
Encourage
Endow
Engage
Enhance
Enlighten
Enlist
Enliven
Entertain
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Excite

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Gather
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Heal
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Perform
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Practice
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Progress
Promise
Promote
Provide
Pursue
Realize
Receive
Reclaim

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Refine
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Relax
Release
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Renew
Resonate
Respect

Restore
Return
Revise
Sacrifice
Safeguard
Satisfy
Save
Sell
Serve
Share
Speak
Stand
Summon

Support
Surrender
Sustain
Take
Tap
Team
Touch
Trade
Translate
Travel
Understand

Use
Utilize
Validate
Value
Venture
Verbalize
Volunteer
Work
Worship
Write
Yield

What's your Action?

Of the 20 action words you've written down, now narrow it down to just the top 3 that really describe the way you move or get energized.



What is Your CAUSE?

- Write down what PRINCIPLE, PURPOSE, CAUSE, or VALUE, that you would be willing to “defend to the death” or devote your life to.

Examples - freedom, justice, self-expression, equality, holiness, art, health, creativity, faith, joy excellence, etc.

What are you fanatical about?

- A fanatic is a person who won't change his/her mind and won't change the subject.



Who are Your People?

- Who is your what for?



ISAIAH 61: 1-4

- **61** The Spirit of the Sovereign Lord is on **me**, because the Lord has anointed me to proclaim good news **to the poor**. He has sent me to bind up the **brokenhearted**, to proclaim freedom for the **captives** and release from darkness for the **prisoners**, **2** to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor and the day of vengeance of our God, to comfort all **who mourn**,**3** and provide for **those who grieve** in Zion – to bestow on them a crown of beauty instead of ashes, the oil of joy instead of mourning, and a garment of praise instead of a spirit of despair. **They will be called oaks of righteousness**, a planting of the Lord for the display of his splendor. **4 They will rebuild** the ancient ruins and restore the places long devastated; **they will renew** the ruined cities that have been devastated for generations.



Who are Your People?

- The world is full of people and subcultures.
- Let's compile a list of them.
- From the list we compiled, pick three subcultures that excite you the most...





Pulling It All Together

My Passion is to

_____, _____, and _____ (actions/verbs)

(purpose, cause or value)

to, for, or with people that are



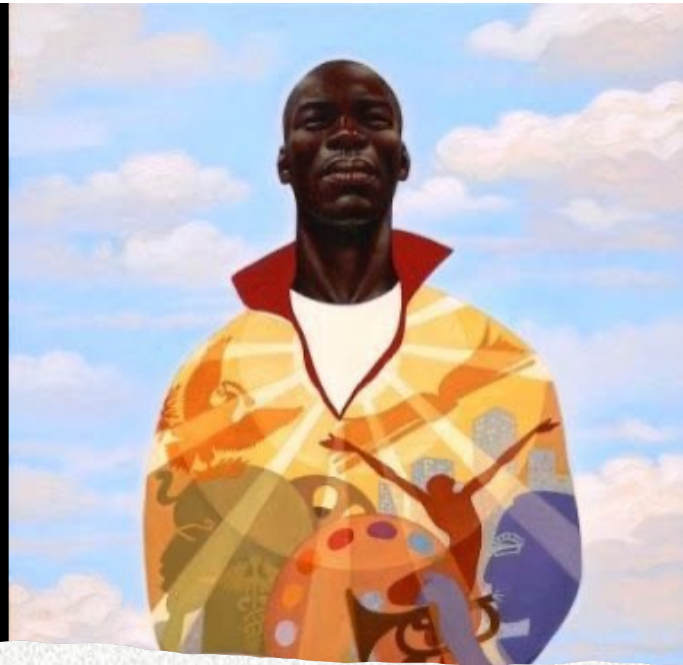
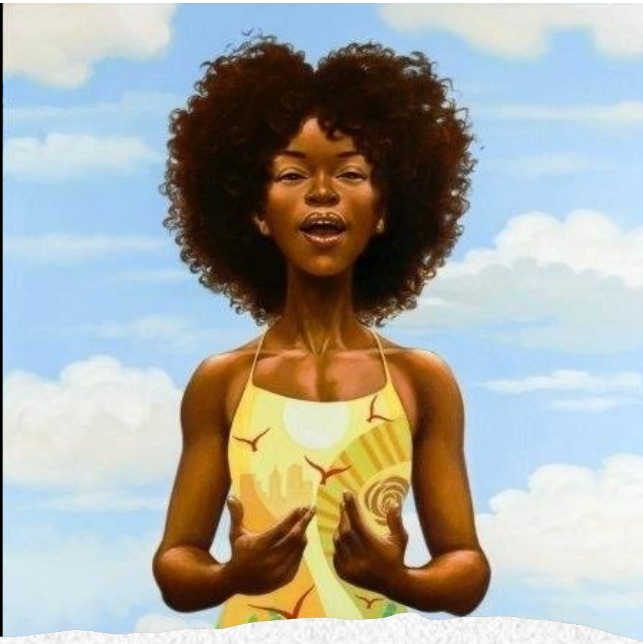
Let's Talk....

- Does your statement look familiar or foreign to you?
- Can you see how your passion fits the vision or mission of this organization? How?

Let's Work

- Look up synonyms for your verbs. Find as many ways as you can to understand what excites you.
- Share (wisely) with people who know you and make a "Why am I here?" appointment with your team, supervisor or stakeholders.





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