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AM I DOING WHAT I WAS MADE TO DO?

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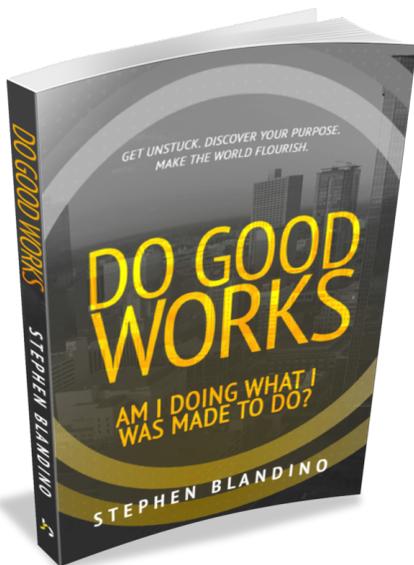
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January 31, 2017 – Am I doing what I was made to do? That question spans every generation, like a permanent fixture in the landscape of our future. We desperately want to make our lives count, yet we often find ourselves trapped in a holding pattern of frustration and disappointment. But the question doesn't have to go unanswered.

In his new book, ***Do Good Works: Am I Doing What I Was Made To Do?*** (ISBN: 978-1540571793; **January 31, 2017; \$14.99**), Stephen Blandino helps you turn over the ten pieces of the Good Works Puzzle, craft a Good Works Statement that articulates your unique purpose, and identify a role that will help you live out your good works every day.

Ephesians 2:10 says, "For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to **do good works**, which God prepared in advance for us to do." In *Do Good Works*, you'll learn how to get unstuck, discover your God-given purpose, and make the world around you flourish.

What Are Good Works?

Blandino defines Good Works as “*the specific mission God has called you to do.*” It’s the task God designed you—even hard wired you—to fulfill. When God made you, He made you with your purpose already in His mind. Then He designed you to fulfill that purpose. He, not you, is at the heart of your good works.

Why Do We Need to Discover Our Good Works?

Blandino points to the words of Jesus in John 17:4 as the reason why we should discover our good works. Jesus prayed, “I brought glory to you here on earth by completing the work you gave me to do” (John 17:4). How did Jesus glorify his Father? *He fulfilled His good works. He completed His assignment. He finished His mission.*

With Jesus as our model, Blandino asks the question, “Is it possible that the greatest way *you* can glorify God is by fulfilling the purpose for which He created you?” Then he asserts, “When you awaken your purpose, you realize just how much God made you in His image. As an image-bearer, the *good* that God placed inside of you comes alive. Suddenly you recognize good gifts, abilities, skills and passions that have real value and significance... *Doing* your good works makes a difference *around* you; *understanding* your good works makes a difference *inside* of you.”

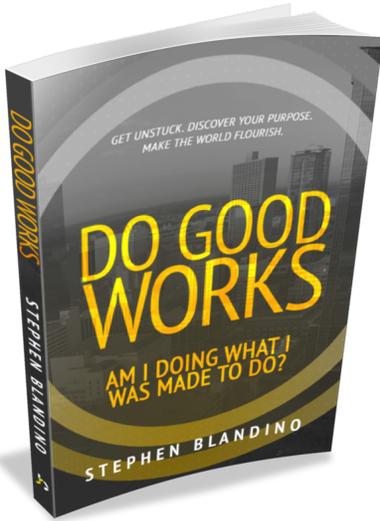
Fulfilling your purpose in life is much more than a checkmark on a long to do list. It’s much more than a good idea or a noble cause. God’s good works have eternal ramifications. They matter. A lot. It’s worth the effort to gain clarity now, so you can celebrate later.

How Do We Discover Our Good Works?

Blandino walks readers through a clear pathway to discover their unique, God-given good works by turning over ten pieces of the Good Works Puzzle. The Good Works Puzzle pieces include pain, experience, destiny markers, personality, spiritual gifts, abilities/skills, knowledge, passions, calling, and values. Once each piece is clarified, Blandino guides readers through a process of crafting these discoveries into a single, focused, and compelling Good Works Statement.

Do Good Works includes a practical “My Good Works Journal” at the back of the book to guide readers through the discovery process, apply what they are learning, and even identify a role that will help them live out their good works every day.

Do Good Works: Am I Doing What I Was Made To Do?



Am I Doing What I Was Made To Do? That question spans every generation, in every part of the world. It haunts us—even taunts us—as we struggle to break out of our holding patterns and make our lives count.

Maybe that's how you feel. Maybe *what is* doesn't look anything like the *what if* you dreamed of in earlier years. Or maybe you're just beginning your journey, but you're frantically searching for direction so you can make the biggest impact with your life. Regardless of which end of the spectrum you find yourself on, the same question haunts you: Am I doing what I was made to do? **But it doesn't have to go unanswered.**

Ephesians 2:10 says, "For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do." Before you were even born, God designed something important for you to do....something that matters.

In his new book, ***Do Good Works: Am I Doing What I Was Made To Do***, Stephen Blandino provides a clear pathway to answer "the question," and help you get unstuck, discover your purpose, and make the world around you flourish. You'll learn how God created you ON purpose, cultivated you FOR purpose, crafted you WITH purpose, and called you TO purpose. And you'll craft these discoveries into your own Good Works Statement, and then identify a role that will help you live it out each day.

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Why Do Good Works?

Filled with hope, inspiring stories, and practical ideas, *Do Good Works* will equip readers to:

- ✓ Break out of holding patterns, get unstuck, and find direction.
- ✓ Turn over the ten pieces of the Good Works Puzzle so they can discover what they do best.
- ✓ Link their puzzle pieces together to discover the specific Good Works God designed them to do.
- ✓ Find a role at work, church, or in the community that will help readers fulfill their good works.
- ✓ Release them to live out their good works and make the world flourish.

Do Good Works is not only inspirational, but extremely practical. Furthermore, the "My Good Works Journal" at the back of the book will help readers capture all of their insights and hone them into a compelling "Good Works Statement."

ABOUT STEPHEN BLANDINO



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Stephen Blandino is the Founder and Lead Pastor of 7 City Church in Ft. Worth, Texas. 7 City Church launched in September 2012 in the West 7th/Cultural Arts district near downtown Fort Worth. Stephen blogs regularly at [StephenBlandino.com](#) on the subjects of leadership, personal growth, church, and organizational development.

Stephen is the author of *GO! Starting a Personal Growth Revolution*, *Creating Your Church's Culture*, and the co-author of *Unexpected: What to Do When Life Disrupts Your Plans*. He also writes regularly for *Influence Magazine*.

Stephen holds a Master's in Organizational Leadership from Regent University, serves as an adjunct professor at SAGU, and coaches leaders on a regular basis.

Prior to launching 7 City Church, Stephen was the executive pastor at Christ Church in Fort Worth, and has conducted over 100 leadership conferences and trained over 13,000 leaders across the United States and in various parts of the world. Stephen lives in the Fort Worth, Texas area with his wife Karen and their daughter Ashley.

Why Stephen Blandino?

- Blandino blogs regularly on the subjects of leadership, personal growth, organizational development, and life purpose.
- Blandino has taught, written, and coached on the content of *Do Good Works* for fifteen years.
- Blandino has authored three other books and writes regularly for *Influence Magazine*.
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QUOTES FROM *DO GOOD WORKS*

"No matter how bad, how painful, or how difficult your past was, the only power it has to abort your future is the power you choose to give to it."

"God is authoring a story where you play an important role. It's His story, which means you're part of something bigger than you. You're part of a divinely orchestrated master plan."

"Your purpose isn't *your* purpose. It's *His* purpose at work in you. It's not *your* good works, but *His* good works. *You can't divorce your purpose from God's plan.*"

"You matter because God made you and loves you. You matter because Jesus died for you. You matter to God no matter who else you matter to."

"True passions stir the deepest part of you. Without passion, you'll go through the motions with little emotion to keep you engaged. You can have an exceptionally honed set of skills, but without passion, your skills will yawn with boredom."

"The greatest regrets in life are not the regrets of what we did, but the regrets of what we wish we had done."

"What are you going to start doing today, so you can do something different tomorrow?"

"Your job is not your purpose, but rather a role through which your purpose can be fulfilled. Purpose is much bigger, like an umbrella. Once the umbrella is opened, you can choose which roles to place under the umbrella to help you carefully and strategically fulfill your purpose."

"Imagine what would happen if each one of us brought our good works to bear on the channel of culture where we have the greatest interest or influence. How might our world look different? How might our world flourish?"

"What do we do when we assume a role in culture? We leverage our gifts, abilities, and resources to meet needs, solve problems, and add beauty to the world. We take our God-given good works and help culture flourish."

"God is quite capable of *dreaming* up great things for you and me to do, things that matter, and things that will make our world flourish. But He is equally capable of *doing* those good works through us, in a way that's truly remarkable."

ENDORSEMENTS FOR *DO GOOD WORKS*

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- **Tony Morgan**, Founder & Chief Strategic Officer of The Unstuck Group

"There may not be a single more important question to answer than, 'What is the purpose of my life?' I want to maximize this one life I was given, which is why I highly recommend *Do Good Works* to anyone seeking to better understand their God-given purpose. Whether you're starting out, starting over, or just looking for clarity and direction, this book will help you understand and live out God's unique design for your life."

- **Chris Railey**, National Director of Church Multiplication Network

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- **Dr. Sam Chand**, Leadership Consultant and Author of *Leadership Pain*

"I've been engaged in the topic of life planning for almost three decades as a speaker, writer and coach. In *Do Good Works*, Stephen Blandino has given us one of the most practical and accessible resources I've seen on this important topic. Follow this process and get started on the good works God has prepared in advance just for you."

- **Steve Moore**, President, Nexleader

"Stephen Blandino is a leading voice on the topic of living with purpose. Why? Because he lives it out, and he's led countless others—including homemakers and business leaders and pastors—to find new meaning in their life. *Do Good Works* will guide you to find God's purpose and live it out each day."

- **Jeff Galley**, Team Leader for Life Groups and Missions, Life.Church

Stephen Blandino's *Do Good Works* is a master tool for clarifying one's purpose and calling. In addition to his fresh insights on the subject, I found the reflective process he took me through as a reader to be practical, healing, and incredibly clarifying. If you long to make the most of the life and gifts God has given you, this book is your perfect place to start.

- **Lennon Noland**, North Texas Director, Chi Alpha Campus Ministry

"Stephen provides an outstanding blueprint to discover one's life purpose. His unique and capable communication style not only gives a theology to one's life purpose but practical tools on how one can discover their unique, God given life purpose."

- **Dr. Jimmy White**, Director of Men's Discipleship, General Council of the Assemblies of God

"I am thankful that Pastor Stephen Blandino has included my story in his new book, *Do Good Works*, within the chapter, "You Were Created on Purpose." This book spoke to me today, but would have helped me tremendously when I was 18 and struggling with the big picture/worldview questions of who created me, why am I here, what is my value, identity and purpose. I know many people today who are currently struggling with these issues. Thank you Stephen for showing the truth of who we are!"

- **Rebecca Kiessling**, International Pro-Life Speaker, Attorney, and Author

"Having known and observed Stephen's life for over 30 years, it is without question that God has gifted him to help others discover their purpose in life. *Do Good Works* is a compilation of his years of living out each of these truths, not only personally, but in the lives of many others. This book will give you a concrete path to discover the purpose—God's unique good works—for your life."

- **Darius Johnston**, Lead Pastor, Christ Church, Fort Worth, Texas

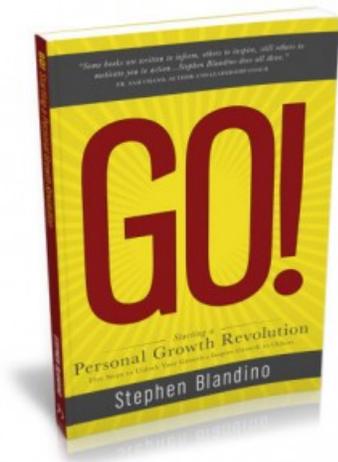
"'Sad,' was how I first felt when I read the last page of *Do Good Works*. It was over, but I wasn't finished. I read *Do Good Works* on a plane, and I could have circled for hours, never needing to land. More than words on the pages, *Do Good Works* is a clear path to God's purpose for our lives. Stephen, thanks for the experience."

- **Gary Randle**, Co-Founder and Executive Director of HOPE Farm, Fort Worth, Texas

"*Do Good Works* is a hyper-practical resource that empowers the reader to understand their God-given wiring, and then turn God's design into real world actions that bless everyone around them. The book is packed full of easy to use personal inventory instruments that allow the reader to create a comprehensive plan for activating their divine purpose, on purpose. Biblically sound, practically focused, simple to apply and enjoyable to read.

- **Steve Pike**, President, Urban Islands Project

OTHER BOOKS BY STEPHEN BLANDINO



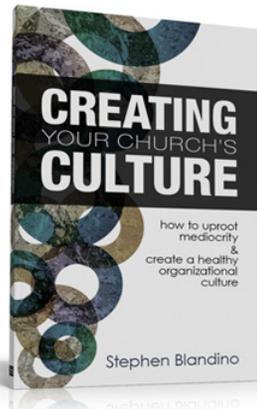
GO! STARTING A PERSONAL GROWTH REVOLUTION

Do you want to close the gap between who you are and who you want to be? Do you want to help your friends, co-workers, or employees grow to their full potential?

In *GO! Starting a Personal Growth Revolution*, Stephen Blandino guides you through the five levels of personal growth, and equips you with practices designed to maximize growth within you and around you.

No matter how you want to grow, *GO!* provides the inspiration and the roadmap to help you take your next step.

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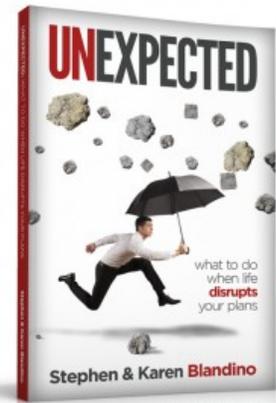


CREATING YOUR CHURCH'S CULTURE

How do you create a thriving organizational culture in your church? Churches are committed to a spiritual mission, but it is often the *organizational aspects* of the church that hinder the mission from moving forward.

In *Creating Your Church's Culture*, you'll learn how to define your culture, infuse your values into your culture, develop effective systems, increase employee and volunteer engagement, and measure the health of your culture. Plus, *Creating Your Church's Culture* includes a culture assessment and implementation guide to help you apply what you're learning.

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UNEXPECTED: WHAT TO DO WHEN LIFE DISRUPTS YOUR PLANS

Everybody encounters the “unexpected.” In this authentic and vulnerable book, Stephen and Karen Blandino share their personal stories of the unexpected. Karen shares how her peace was stolen during a robbery when five young men broke into her house, and then dragged her out of the shower at gunpoint. Stephen shares a journey of simultaneous congestive heart failure and pulmonary failure despite years of check-ups with good reports.

From their stories, Stephen and Karen share seven valuable lessons on prayer, trust, perspective, family, community, purpose, and legacy that you can apply to your life today. This practical book will foster hope, strength, wisdom, and a closer relationship with Christ.

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