



# CODE BLUE

TRAINING FOR LOCAL LEADERS

## MODULE FIVE

### PERSONAL MISSION STATEMENT

- Session 1- Biblical purpose statement
- Session 2- Life Ministry values
- Session 3- Personal vision and compiling the mission statement
- Session 4- Activating the personal vision



## LEADER'S MANUAL

The Salvation Army

Australia Territory



## **PERSONAL MISSION STATEMENT**

### **SESSION 1: Biblical Purpose Statement**

**PREREQUISITES FOR COMPLETING MODULE 5:** Completion of Module One which works through a personality profile, and Module 3 which provides teaching on spiritual gifts and one's spiritual journey.

**AIM:**

This session is designed to help participants formulate their own biblical purpose statement, a foundation for forming a personal mission statement.

**TIME NEEDED:**

90 minutes

**MATERIALS NEEDED:**

Participants' manual, multi-media, whiteboard, spare lined paper for draft of biblical purpose statements, sufficient copies of Appendix 1: "The Scripture Search – Biblical Purpose" for each participant.


Participants will require their bible.

**NAVIGATING THE SESSION:**

Text in **blue** is for your information. It's also directing you to do something.

Text in **red** is for you to "read out" or "answers" for participants to fill in.

Text in **black** also appears in the participants' notes and can be followed as you read aloud.

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### **INTRODUCTION (20 minutes)**

Ask participants the following question:

If you were to make the statement: "This is what I am created to be and do" what would you be referring to?

Have people share their answers in the whole group.

We each have a unique and personal destiny.

Take what Mordecai said about Esther in Esther 4:14b

"And who knows but that you have come to royal position for such a time as this".

In Ephesians 2:10 we are reminded that "we are created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do". While we are called by God to live godly lives, God has also gifted us for a specific role as members of Christ's body.

As we work through developing a personal mission statement, we need to answer four questions. As we answer those questions, we will pull together some of the work we have already done in understanding our own SHAPE.



Spiritual gifts

Heart of passion

Abilities

Personality

Experience in life

**The four questions we will answer are** 

1. What has God taught you? Your **biblical purpose**.
2. How has God shaped you? Your **Life Ministry values**.
3. What is God calling you to accomplish?  
Your Personal and **Ministry** life.
4. How do you plan to accomplish your personal mission?  
Your **Life Ministry** roles.

## **DEFINITIONS**



Biblical Purpose – Describes our biblical **reason** for existence.

Values – Describes our inherent **preferences** and assumptions.

Vision – A word **picture** of a **future** from God's perspective.

Roles – The **unique** tasks we are called to and best **equipped** to accomplish.

Goals – Faith statements that provide **accountability** for the vision.

A personal Mission Statement helps us to focus our personal lives and ministry. It is a statement that brings together our biblical purpose, our life-ministry values and our personal vision. Like any mission statement, they keep us focused on the most important and vital things in our lives.



**QUESTION 1 (40 Minutes)**

What has God taught you?

Your biblical purpose.

In creating a personal mission statement, we begin with a clear understanding of our biblical purpose. A study of some key scripture verses will help reveal our reason for existence as individuals. (Handout Appendix 1: “Scripture Search- Biblical Purpose” to participants.)

Review the verses on the sheet entitled “Scriptural Search- Biblical Purpose” and under the reference record the insight into why we have been created as individuals.

Allow 25-30 minutes for this individual exercise.

Based on these insights respond to the following questions. Write your reflections in short statements. Allow 10 minutes for participants to record their insights.

**Why did God create me?**

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**What does God say provides our greatest joy?**

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What is my response to the work of Jesus on the cross for me?

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What is my response to the Lordship of Christ?

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Once participants have recorded these insights, have them share two of them in pairs. Allow 5-7 minutes.

### **WRITING THE BIBLICAL PURPOSE STATEMENT (30 MINUTES)**

Provide participants with extra paper (if necessary) on which they can draft a biblical purpose statement.

Below is an example of a biblical purpose statement. Encourage participants to write one in their own words, using the reflections they have made in response to the four questions above. This power point slide merely shows one example.

Allow fifteen minutes. 

My purpose is to bring glory to my Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ through consistent worship of him with my praise and my life; to cultivate an inner-life growth that reflects the grace of God, and to equip men and women for ministry.

**Write a draft of your biblical purpose statement on the paper provided**



i.e. my purpose is to.....

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