

## Personal Vision Questions for Your Vacation, Sabbatical, or Downtime

This year, the stakes feel higher with personal clarity for a variety of reasons. My ministry is growing, my family is growing. **Growth always means more complexity; more options, more distractions, more opportunities, etc.**

In order to maximize the time, I created a list of question to think through. **What's most interesting to me is how some of my questions have changed.** The questions with the astericks are ones I have never considered before. **The main point of this post then, is not to give you my questions but to challenge you to write your own.**

Here's what it looks like for me: A month before my downtime I carved out a 3-hour time of focus. For me its a plane ride. I spent time in the Word and prayer. I journaled a bit. Then I wrote questions. I didn't worry if they are good questions or not. I didn't worry about answering them.

### Why not give it a try?

Here is what I will be thinking about over the next 30 days.

- *What is God teaching me right now?*
- *How do I want to spend my time every day?*
- *What is the single greatest way I want to change how I spend my time everyday?*
- *What is the single greatest thing I don't want to do everyday that I currently do?*
- *What are my greatest strengths as I understand them now?*
- *What are my greatest limitations as I understand them now?*
- *\*How have my accomplishments enabled me to better leverage my strengths?*
- *\*How have my accomplishments magnified my weaknesses?*
- *\*How is money influencing my strategy and direction inappropriately?*
- *What are time-limited opportunities that I now have?*
- *\*How am I misdirecting my best time and energy?*
- *\*Where do deepest my frustrations come from? Why?*
- *What ideas am I most excited about?*
- *What is the single most important thing to do or decide to do right now to achieve my life vision?*
- *\*How am I failing to give my best time and energy to my family. Why?*