

## **A Note to the Reader**

This “Fueled” tool was originally designed as a summer agenda for the men of Columbia, SC who are involved in Focused Living Men’s Forums. This tool is formatted to help men process 8-10 chapters of a Christian book so they may grow deeper in their love for Christ. If a book has more chapters, feel free to read any skipped chapters on your own. Though the rhythm and format of this tool are geared toward the Men of FLM, **this booklet can be used for any individual or small group study...any time of year!**

If you are like most men, your summer is already filled with vacation plans, house projects, work deadlines and hopefully a few tee times, nap times and good times! Any dude can **FILL** his summer. We want to help you **FUEL** your summer!

You were designed to be both **FILLED** and **FUELED** with God’s grace and truth (John 1:14) in His Spirit. The temptation during the summer months is to take a vacation from God. That is why so many of God’s men run on empty and end up falling out of fellowship with the Lord. Don’t do it! **FILL** your mind with His truth and **FUEL** your heart with the high octane fellowship of God and some of His men.

To help guide our focus in the Scriptures this summer, we will be reading through the following book:

***All In: You are One decision away from a totally different life***, by Mark Batterson. Zondervan, Grand Rapids, MI. 2013.  
ISBN 978-0-310-33305-0 Hardcover



# Plan of Action

So that you don't run on empty this summer, we encourage you to fuel your life by doing the following:

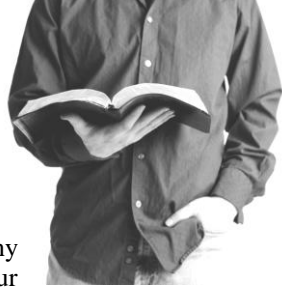
- ◆ **Purchase *All In*.** We encourage you to ask one man from your Men's Forum to be responsible for purchasing books based on the number of guys who confirm their summer involvement. The guys can then reimburse this point man. Late comers can purchase their own copies.
- ◆ **Personally dedicate 4-5 days of unhurried blocks of time** (20-30 minutes) each week in the summer; basically every other day.
- ◆ **Read and interact with a chapter from *ALL In*.** Record your thoughts by highlighting and journaling.
- ◆ **Read and journal on the selected Bible passages.** Read with a desire to meet God face to face and to obey what He puts on your heart. Record a few of your thoughts, insights and applications. This gives the Holy Spirit room to transform you by driving the truth of His Word from your head to your heart. Finish your time by writing a short prayer in response to your time with the Father. Many of the Scriptures included in this booklet are passages that are referenced in *All In*. Sometimes we'll reference a single verse or two, so feel free to scan the passage for context. Journal in a way that is meaningful to you. We have provided a "Time Alone with God" template in this booklet to help you get started.
- ◆ **Meet with men** each week to hear their insights and share your own in order to build up one another in Christ.



# Time Alone With God

## **WHO** are you addressing?

Always start your time with a quiet, reverent prayer of praise. Recognize that you are coming into the very presence of your Creator, eternal God and gracious Lord! As you approach the Father remember that it cost Him His own Son to forgive your sin so that you could come into His presence forgiven and with great joy. Any of the following verses will help to focus your heart and mind in order to get your eyes off yourself and onto His majestic character. Psalms 1, 63:1; 73:24-25; 100; 119:18; Ezra 7:10, Ecclesiastes 5:1-2; Exodus 33:11, 18; 34:2-8; Luke 10:38-42; II Timothy 3:16-17; Rev 5:11-12; Isaiah 66:1-2



## **WHAT** is God saying?

Read the passage as though you were there. Slowly read it at least twice to get the big picture context and to understand what is taking place. Smell the surroundings; hear the crowds; see the sights; feel the emotions; sense the relationships. Note the Who, What, Where, Why and How. Record any promises, principles, insights, commands or challenges.

## **SO WHAT** is God saying to you?

Stop to reflect and listen. In particular, what most grabbed your attention, stirred your mind or gripped your heart? Why?

## **NOW WHAT** is God asking you to do?

What will you do with the truth God has revealed to you? How will you obey it, process it, apply it and live it out? What is the one thing He is asking you to practically think, say or do in order to become more like Christ? With whom will you share today what you discovered while in His presence? We encourage you to write out a short, heartfelt prayer to the Lord asking Him to help you to be faithful in living out the truth He gave to you.

# Forum Flow

To make your Forum less overwhelming and more fun, we encourage a **two man leadership team** each week. One man can take the lead in discussing the Bible passages and the other man can take the lead in the discussion of the *All In* book. Be sure to meet together for prayer and for planning the actual Forum meeting. The following **59 minute** flow may be useful as you facilitate the Men's Forum together.

- ◆ **Meet, greet and open in Prayer** for any praises, special needs or for people (3 min)
- ◆ **Remind men 'on deck'** who's facilitating next week (1 min)
- ◆ **Intro main theme of this week's passages** (1 min)
- ◆ **1st facilitator shares passage(s) meaning most to him.** (5 min)
  - *"As I reflected on the Scriptures (give chapter & verse) the truth God used to grab my heart was...."*
  - *"These verses fueled me to action. I am going to live the truth out by...."*
- ◆ **Invite others to share** the Bible truths which fueled their hearts and souls using the same pattern you shared. (15 min)
- ◆ **2<sup>nd</sup> Facilitator shares insights from All In book that meant most to him.** (5 min)
  - *"As I read this week's chapter God taught me..."*
  - *"These principles challenged me to...."*
- ◆ **Invite others to share** the insights that fueled their hearts as they read the *All In* book and began action steps (15 min)
- ◆ **Close in prayer** (4 min)
- ◆ **TAG Teams** What's your main take away and how do you plan to apply it to your life? (10 min)



# Road Map

**Week 1 Meeting Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

## NOW OR NEVER

- ALL In: Ch 1 “Pack Your Coffin” (p 13-14)
- Joshua 3** (*Israel crosses Jordan into promised land*)
- ALL In: Ch 2 “The Inverted Gospel” (p 15-22)
- Luke 9:21-36** (*Deny yourself*)
- Luke 18:18-30** (*Rich young ruler*)
- ALL In: Ch 3 “Draw the Line” (p 23-34)

**Week 2 Meeting Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

## ALL IN

- ALL In: Ch 4 “Charge” (p 35-40)
- Genesis 22:1-18** (*Abe sacrificing Isaac*)
- 2Kings 5:1-27** (*Elisha and Naaman the leper*)
- ALL In: Ch 5 “This is Only a Test” (p 41-50)

**Week 3 Meeting Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

## ALL IN

- 1Kings 19:19-21; 2Kings 2:1-15** (*Elisha commits to Elijah*); **Luke 19:1-10** (*Zacheus commits to Jesus*)
- Acts 19:11-20** (*Bon fire in Ephesus*); **Mark 14:1-9** (*Woman with jar of perfume*)
- ALL In: Ch 6 “Burn the Ships” (p 51-62)
- Luke 7:36-50** (*Sinful woman anoints Jesus’ feet*)
- Colossians 1:9-23** (*Paul’s prayer and preeminence of Christ*)
- ALL In: Ch 7 “Crash the Party” (p 63-74)

**Week 4 Meeting Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

## ALL OUT

- ALL In: Ch 8 “Rim Huggers” (p 75-80)
- 1Samuel 14:1-23** (*Jonathan attacks Philistines*)
- 1Samuel 17:1-58** (*David and Goliath*)
- ALL In: Ch 9 “Climb the Cliff” (p 81-92)

**Week 5 Meeting Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ALL OUT**

- Genesis 6-8** (*Noah and the Ark*)
- ALL In:* Ch 10 “Build the Ark” (p 93-102)
- Isaiah 6:8; Genesis 12:1-4; Numbers 13:1-3,6,25-31; Joshua 14:6-14** (*“Here I am”*)
- Matthew 14:13-33** (*Feed 5000, Walk on Water*)
- ALL In:* Ch 11 “Grab Your Oxgoad” (p 103-116)

**Week 6 Meeting Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ALL IN ALL**

- ALL In:* Ch 12 “SDG” (p 117-122)
- Exodus 1-2** (*Moses – life phase 1&2*)
- Exodus 3-4** (*Moses – life phase 3*)
- ALL In:* Ch 13 “Throw Down Your Staff” (p 123-136)

**Week 7 Meeting Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ALL IN ALL**

- Daniel 3:1-30** (*Shadrach, Meshach, Abed-nego*)
- Genesis 39:6-21** (*Jospeh and Potiphar’s wife*) **Psalm 15:1-5;**  
**Proverbs 10:9** (*Integrity*)
- ALL In:* Ch 14 “Take a Stand” (p 137-146)
- Genesis 25:27-34** (*Esau selling birthright*); **Matt 26:14-16** (*Judas betraying Jesus*)
- Judges 16:1-31** (*Samson giving up secret to power*); **1Cor 10:12-13** (*Temptation*)
- ALL In:* Ch 15 “Thirty Pieces of Silver” (p 147-160)

**Week 8 Meeting Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ALL OR NOTHING**

- Luke 15:1-32** (*Lost sheep, coin, son*); **Isaiah 46:3-4; 49:14-16** (*God’s loyal love*)
- Exodus 20:3-6; 34:14; Ezekiel 8:1-3** (*Our jealous God*)
- ALL In:* Ch 16 “The Idol that Provokes to Jealousy” (p 161-170)
- ALL In:* Ch 17 “One Decision Away” (p 171-172)

**August 19<sup>th</sup> PM**

**Focused Living Date Night to Feed the Hungry**

**Week 1 Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**NOW OR NEVER**

Ch 1: *Pack Your Coffin* p 13-14

Using a highlighter, read the chapter from *ALL IN*. Journal your insights below. Respond to God by writing a prayer of response.

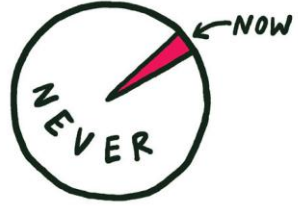


**Week 1**   **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

## **NOW OR NEVER**

Joshua 3: 1-17

*(Israel crosses Jordan into promised land)*



Read and process the Bible passage(s) using the *Time Alone with God* template or journal in your own manner. Respond to the truth that most fueled your soul by writing a heartfelt prayer to the Lord.

*What would it look like for me to be fully devoted (consecrated) to God and living my life His way? In what ways am I not doing this now?*



**Week 1 Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**NOW OR NEVER**

Ch 2: *The Inverted Gospel* p 15-22

Using a highlighter, read the chapter from *ALL IN*. Journal your insights below. Respond to God by writing a prayer of response.

