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Dear Bob,

After an amazing 3 years I am not sure where to begin? Let me start with a metaphor:

Having played and coached youth football over the years, I have noticed that there was always one kid on the team that was so happy JUST to be apart of the team. Just to have the jersey on. BUT, he was always 1 second off the snap count. He let others make the tackle or the block, and then would quickly jump on the pile. He ended the game with his jersey and pants as clean as at the beginning. BUT he was on the team bus for the ride home, which satisfied him.

That essentially describes my walk prior to The Masters Program. I had accepted Christ as my savior in college.....so was on the team! I went to church, bible study, volunteered and contributed a little bit here and there, and was JUST satisfied to be wearing the jersey and be on the team.

Then I get invited to attend The Masters Program introductory luncheon. WHAM! "Get prepared for the second half" kept coming through to me. I, like others, felt too busy with work and family activities, I couldn't find the time. Again, "Get prepared for the second half". So I enrolled. So very thankful I did. One of the best decisions I have ever made.

Thank you Bob for providing a format that has inspired, educated, and challenged me to get focused and intentional about my role in the kingdom. Get off the bench and start really contributing to the Team in a meaningful way with the gifts I have been given. Eternal pursuits verses earthly pursuits. A format where I was able to meet and interact with some fine men to model and share this part of my walk.

The structure of the quarterly meetings really worked well for me. The lectures, the video clips, the pre and post reading all gelled nicely for a terrific experience. I have become far more intentional with my daily activities. My marriage and parenting have been taken to a higher level. Trying hard to create plenty of "best days" for the family. The 80/20 session helped me dramatically free up time for meaningful Kingdom activities and not lose workplace productivity. Time I never thought I could have had.

I am still not certain of my ultimate "Kingdom calling", but I am far more prepared for whatever God has in mind for me. I in the game, and so desire to hear Matt 25:21 "well done my good and faithful servant".

Thank you for providing that opportunity Bob.

Sincerely,



Jay Robinson