# AWAKE AND ALIVE SUMMER GROUP 2019

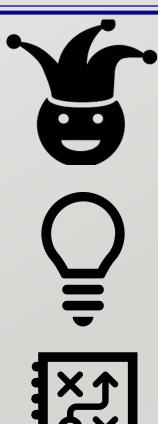
StrengthsFinder: Know and Use Your Strengths















### What is StrengthsFinder?

- A strengths-based assessment that calculates your strengths in order from 1-34 (based upon decades of research)
  - www.gallupstrengthscenter.com
  - **\$19.99** for top 5
  - \$49.99 for all 34
- Assessment takes approximately 30-50 minutes to complete
  - 177 questions
  - 20 seconds for each question

### StrengthsFinder Applications



Individual coaching and development



**MM** • Diversity



- Roles



Frojects ■ Projects

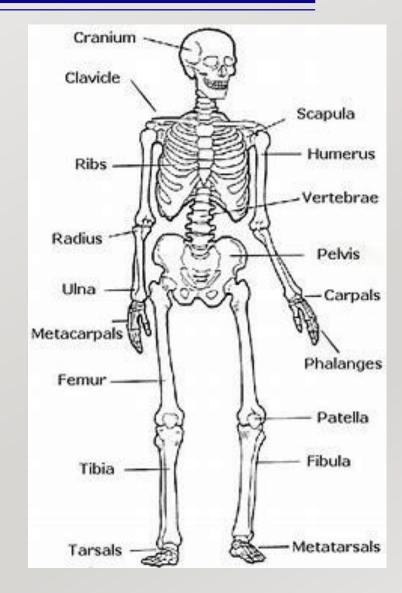


Team building – leveraging existing strengths and seeking new members

### Devotion: One Body



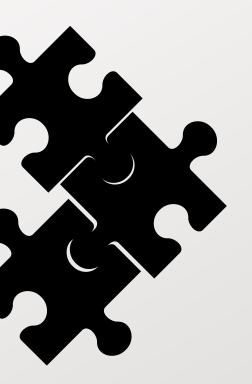
1 Corinthians 12 - Now about the gifts of the Spirit, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed...There are different kinds of working, but in all of them and in everyone it is the same God at work. Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good...All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, and he distributes them to each one, just as he determines. Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ...But in fact God has placed the parts in the body, every one of them, just as he wanted them to be.



# Individual Development

	Talent	Strength
Description	A special natural ability, aptitude, or recurring pattern of thought, feeling or behavior that can be productively applied.	Consistent, near perfect performance in an activity.
Woo example (winning others over)	Natural talent is to meet people.	Purposefully meeting with people to network and connect people.

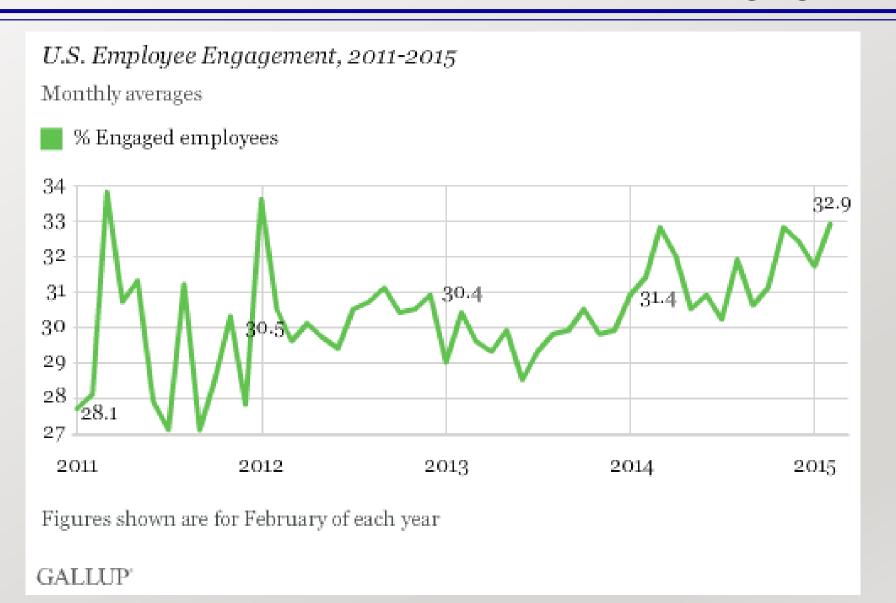
### Team Effectiveness



StrengthsFinder provides the opportunity to better understand the others you work and live with so you can work and live together more effectively in God's kingdom.

- Teams should be well-rounded
  - Individuals should be edgy
  - Everyone is a different puzzle piece completing the picture

# Three in 10 American Workers Are Engaged



### Employee Engagement

If your leader primarily:

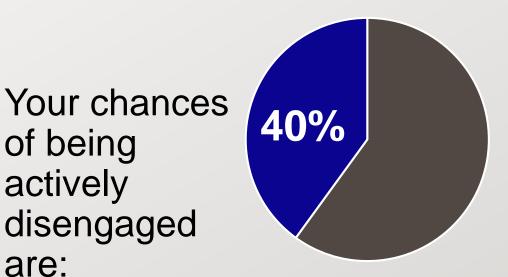
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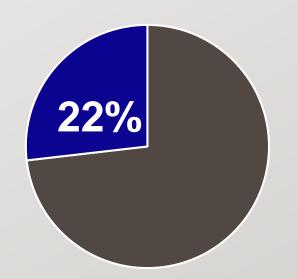
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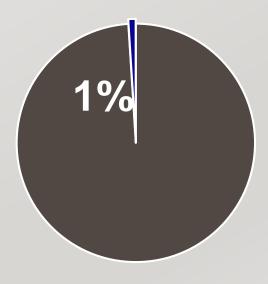
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Focuses on your weaknesses

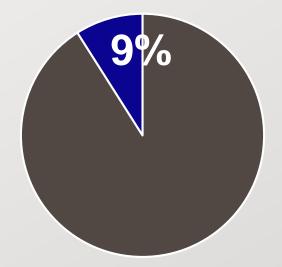


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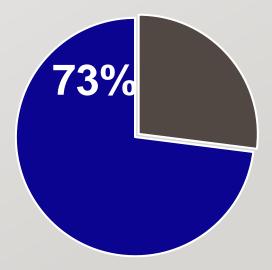


### Leadership & Engagement

Engagement if an organization's leadership does not focus on strengths



Engagement if an organization's leadership focuses on strengths



# StrengthsFinder Identifies Uniqueness

- Millions of combinations
- God made us uniquely
- Positive psychology
  - focus on building your strengths, not your weaknesses

1 in 300k chance of someone else having the same top 5 strengths

1 in 11.4M
chance of
someone
having the
same top 5 in
the same order

### StrengthsFinder 80/20 Rule

- 80% nature
- 20% nurture **\*\*\***
- Strengths do not change, accept who you are
- Top 5 make up 80% of what you do naturally
- Remaining 29 make up 20% of what you do
- Strength 6-8 also plays a smaller role, but are in play

### **Total Performance Factors**

Fatal flaws must be dealt with

Strengths

Focus on strengths; neutralize weaknesses

Spiritual, emotional & physical health

Virtues/fruits of the spirit prudence, justice, fortitude, faith, hope, love, temperance

Values

redeemed child of God using all our gifts to serve Him

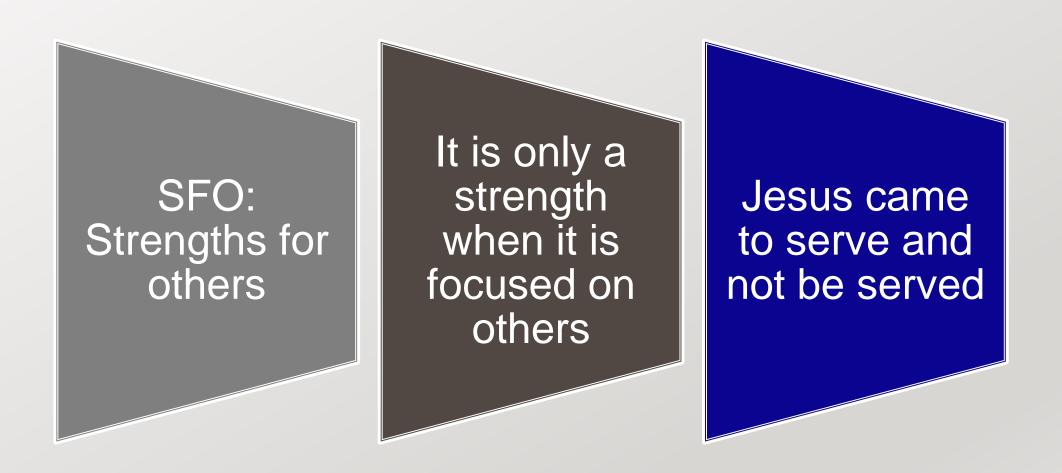
### Journey to Leveraging Strengths

Talents are identified; journey to strengths

Strengths = talent + skill + knowledge x experience

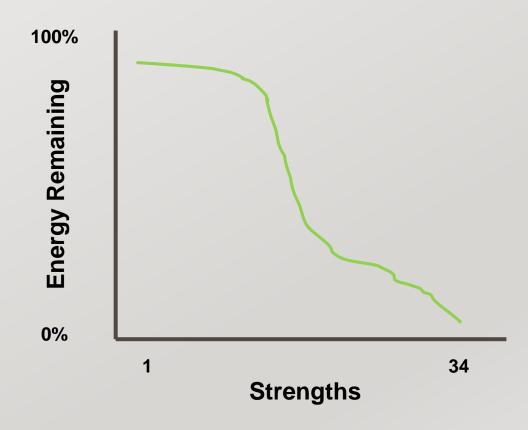
Focus on building and leveraging strengths

### Servant Leadership



# Energy & Strengths

- Working from your top strengths uses the least amount of energy, keeping you energized and motivated
- It takes 10-20% effort to get 80-90% results when working from strengths
- It takes 80-90% effort to get 10-20% results when not working from strengths, depleting your energy sooner



### Servant Leadership

Vitally important: strengths do NOT determine WHAT we do, but HOW we do it.

No top 5 strengths are better or worse; they do not make a better leader, teacher, student, friend, son, daughter etc.

They simply tell us HOW we will do those roles.

# Strengths Organization

#### **Traction**



Activator Command Focus

#### **Driving**



Achiever
Competition
Maximizer\*
Self-Assurance
Significance

#### \* Multiple entries

#### <u>Seeing</u> (Mind's Eye)



Analytical\*
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#### <u>Interpersonal</u>



Developer Empathy Includer Individualization Maximizer\* Relator Woo

#### <u>Lifestyle</u> (Orientation to Life)



Adaptability
Belief
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# Wild Cards (Seasonings)

Communication Learner

# Problem Identification



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Intellection
Strategic\*

# Problem Solving



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#### **Traction**

Activator Command Focus



#### **Traction:**

- Strengths that get things started
- Likes to constantly be on the go and push forward
- Terrific at gaining forward movement (traction), then likes to hand off to "driving" strengths to finish

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#### **Driving:**

- Strengths that are great at finishing things
- Likes to accomplish tasks and drive things forward and bring home the prize
- Hard charging strengths that take great joy in finishing efforts started by "traction" strengths

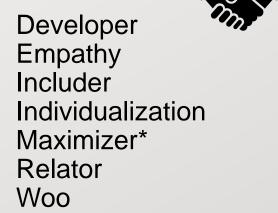
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#### Seeing (Mind's Eye):

- Strengths that give people an innate sense of sight
- Ability to see either forward or backwards, in order to always inform the present and lead to the future

#### Interpersonal



#### **Interpersonal**:

- Strengths that deal with the human element
- Able to work with and understand people
- Strengths in this area will always be looking for the human touch

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#### **Lifestyle (Orientation to Life):**

- Strengths that flavor or influence other strengths
- These strengths combine with others to inform decisions and actions taken
- Example: positivity will influence all other strengths to always seeing the glass as half full

#### **Wild Cards**:

- Strengths that have no downside or shadow side
- To be used fully, they must pair with other strengths
  - To learn for the sake of learning or communicate for the sake of communicating is not a strength for others (SFO)
  - When partnered with other strengths or learning new strengths for the team, then full capacity or benefit is realized

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#### **Problem Identification:**

- Strengths that see the true problem or root cause
- These strengths see problems that are coming, or that are being experienced
- Ability to cut through issues to the heart of the problem, not the ancillary issues that might cloud true identification

#### **Problem Solving:**

- Strengths that solve problems and issues that exist
- Ability to see the steps and intricate details needed to solve any problem that might exist

### How Strengths Organization Categories Work Together



1. People with **Problem Identification** strengths will determine the core problem or issue.



5. The **Seeing** strength individuals will provide sight to make sure the solution is in line with the mission, values, vision and priority.



2. They partner-up on the issue with people with **Problem Solving** strengths who put the 3-step solution on paper for the team.



6. Those with **Interpersonal** strengths will make sure the solution will engage the people on the team, not leaving anyone behind or allowing someone to move too far ahead.



3. Problem solvers then partner-up on the solution with people with **Traction** strengths who will get it started.



7. People with **Lifestyle** strengths will ensure all is done positively, with harmony, and is aligned with core values (Belief).

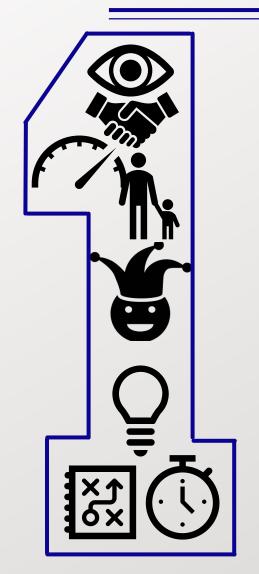


4. They (**Traction**) partner-up with people with **Driving** strengths who will make sure the solution gets finished.



8. People with **Wild Card** strengths enhance every strength, every area, and the entire process.

# Strengths Organization Working Together



In the end, all 8 categories are used and the team is utilizing all of its pieces (people), all of its strengths, to build towards one, full unified and engaged team, organization, family, school, or church.

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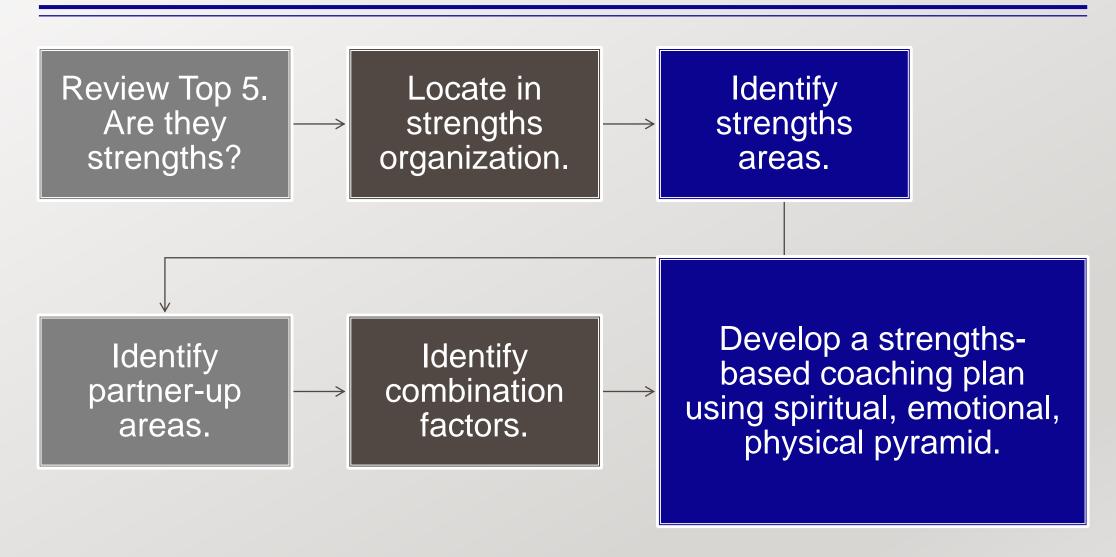
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# StrengthsFinder Coaching Process



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# Example: Bill Fold's Partner-Up Opportunities

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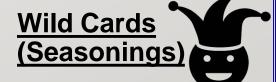
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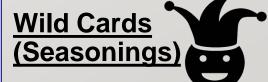
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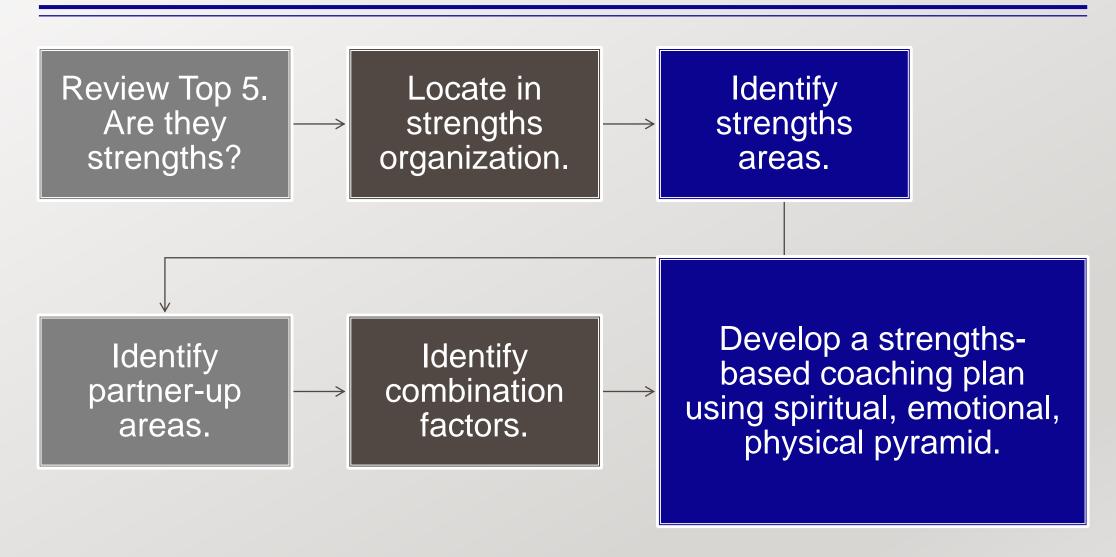
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### Strengths For Others: You, Your Strengths & Others

Where can we find key partner-up opportunities?

How can we all work together for our ministry as a whole?

What does this all mean in light of our strengths, God's plan for us, and His kingdom?

Unity of the body?

# Conclusion Closing comments 1 Corinthians 12 Closing prayer

### THANK YOU!

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