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"That's all I can stands, and I can't stands no more" ~Popeye the Sailor Man

I can't stands no more

Our world is broken. Poverty. Homelessness. Starvation. Unsanitary water. Divorce. Poor parenting. Irrelevant churches. Uninspired leadership. Need I go on?

What triggers within you the words, *"That's all I can stands, and I can't stands no more?"* God put you on earth to make a difference for Christ. What difference are you making with your one and only life? What is the "one thing" God assigned you to help fix?

In the Old Testament Moses led the Israelites to freedom. Joshua led them into the Promised land. Esther saved the Jewish people from genocide. Nehemiah built a wall around Jerusalem. David united Israel under one kingdom.

In the New Testament Peter evangelized the Jews. Paul evangelized the Gentiles. John spread the message of God's love. James was the leader of the Jerusalem church. Luke wrote 2 Books of the Bible. Timothy was the pastor of the church in Ephesus.

In modern times Billy Graham evangelized the world. Mother Teresa cared for the poor and dying. Millard Fuller built affordable housing for the poor. Dawson Trotman spread the gospel to sailors. Bill Bright reached out with the Good News to college students.

In my own church George teaches classes for unbelievers. Mary gives a warm welcome as a Guest Host. Chris leads a Bible study at the local prison. Lynn guides the building of schools in rural Angola. Chip plays the drums during worship service. Julie serves people in the Bookstore. Claire works with middle school students. And there are many others ...

Fifteen years ago I had my own Popeye moment. I wanted to know why I was here on earth. Along the way I realized that I wanted all Christians to know and fulfill their unique, God-given purpose. My life has never been the same again.

What is it that moves you to say, *"That's all I can stands, and I can't stands no more?"* What breaks your heart? What moves you to tears? What causes you to say, "Someone should do something?" What's wrong that needs to be made right? What unmet need must be met? What problems must be

solved? Search your heart. Ask God. Talk to others. But above all else, find your own "one thing." And when you do, do something about it!

Note: An excellent resource is the book "Holy Discontent" by Bill Hybels, Zondervan, 2007.

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We can help you identify your "one thing." We offer resources, seminars, consultations, and support to Christians searching for their own "Popeye Moment." Please contact us.

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