

The Well Writer Worksheet

I. Why do you write?

II. Why do you write those stories?

Your writing will flow—and overflow—out of the abundance of your individual life journey. It is only out of this—what you know plus a good dose of an innate ability to imagine—that will enable you to write with honesty, conviction and courage.

Give yourself permission to—

To set your voice free, set your words free. Set your characters free. Most important, set your heart free . . . Your voice is your self in the story. Donald Maas

What is your passion? What do you love? What draws you?

*Don't write what you know.
Write what you love. Virginia Kantra*

God's primary desire is that we write _____ Him.

III. How do you discover your authentic writing self?

Benefits of finding your core story

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What is your core story?

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5.

It is the story God has given you to tell. It is your promise to readers. Your core story is the thread that binds your writing portfolio together and marks itself as undeniably yours.

**Questions to Find Core Story
First Book Questions—**

a.

b.

c.

d.

Questions beyond first book—

1. Ponder what stories have in common

a.

b.

c.

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5.

Twenty Words

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| 1. | 11. |
| 2. | 12. |
| 3. | 13. |
| 4. | 14. |
| 5. | 15. |
| 6. | 16. |
| 7. | 17. |
| 8. | 18. |
| 9. | 19. |
| 10. | 20. |

How do you write authentically?

1. Start with—

But we have this treasure in jars of clay, to show that the surpassing power belongs to God and not to us. II Corinthians 4:7

2. Deepen your characters. Dig down to—

Sometimes it is only in our brokenness that we enter those “thin places”—where for a moment the veil between humanity and the divine is lifted. By delving into the deep waters, we find and become a part of where the Spirit of God is at work—in us and in the world.

IV. Defining Success

Success in God’s eyes looks very different from how man’s measures.

Jesus showed us that success is defined as obedience to God’s call.

We are on a lifelong process on faith journey, writing to try to learn what pleases God.

Questions to ask success—

Does your writing glorify God or self?

Does your life proclaim Christ or self?

***Faithful is He who calls you, and He also will bring it to pass.
I Thessalonians 5:24***

V. Consecrating Your Writing

1. Our consecration begins with —

2. Our consecration involves —

Voluntary consecration of self to God without reservations—all we are, all we have, all we hope to have.

3. Our consecration requires —

4. Our Consecration demands —

Whatever hinders your complete consecration—lay it on the altar.

When God speaks to us, He will ask us —

**How do you want to be remembered?
What has God appointed for you to do?**

We must come to the end of our religion, of our confidence, of our own sufficiency.

The end of—

We must be willing to write the books that stem from our truest passion.

This will cost us something.

Necessary Disciplines—

This resurrection life you received from God is not a timid, grave-tending life. It's adventurously expectant, greeting God with a childlike "What's next, Papa?" Romans 8:15