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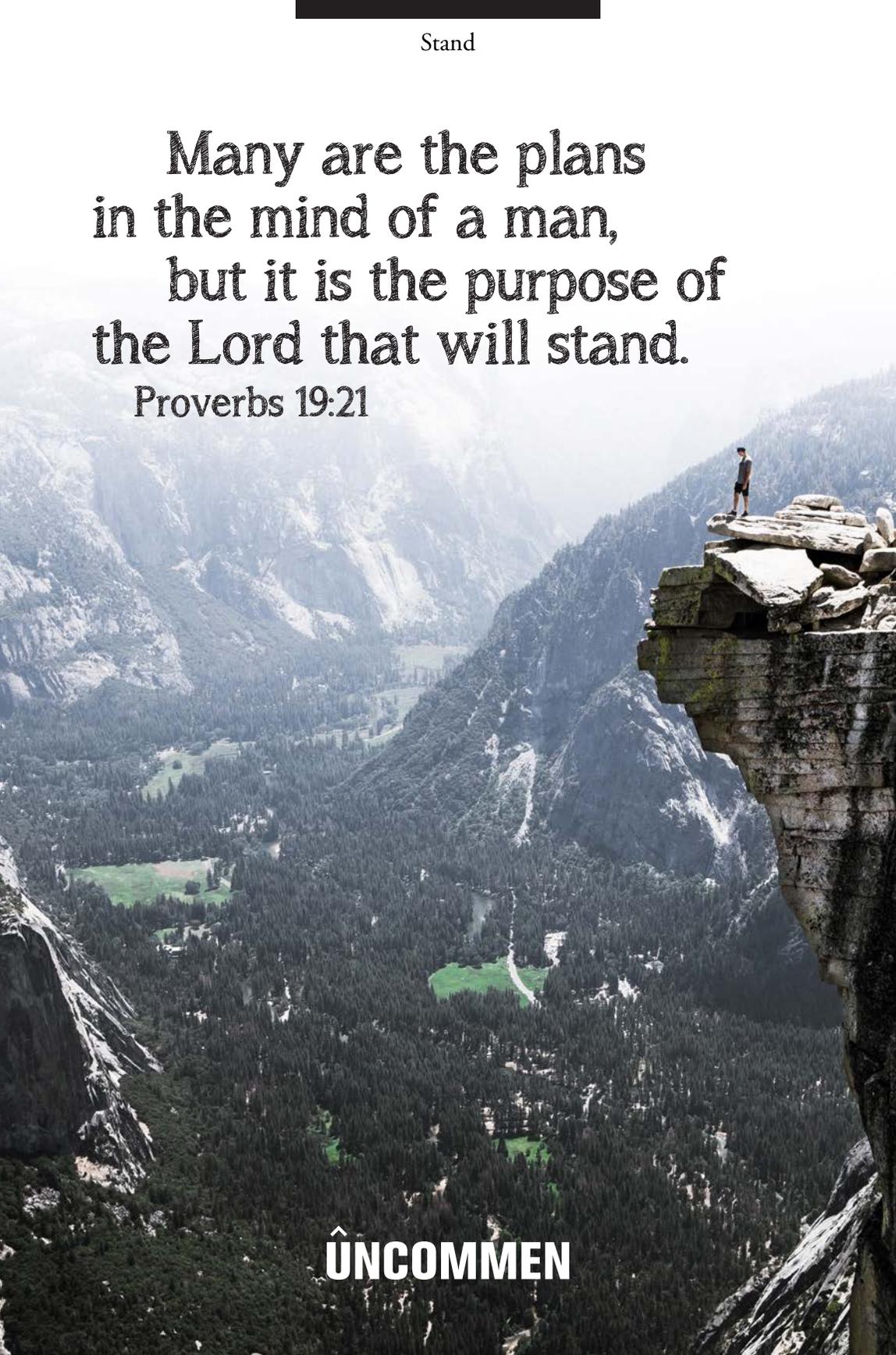
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Many are the plans
in the mind of a man,
but it is the purpose of
the Lord that will stand.

Proverbs 19:21

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FOLLOW YOUR CALLING

SCRIPTURE: PROVERBS 19:21 & JOB 42:2

I currently work as an accountant and spend most of my week looking at spreadsheets and crunching numbers. Like most American men today, I am disengaged at work and would rather do something else with my time. As I sit in my cubicle and look back 25 years, I wonder how I ended up doing work that does not satisfy me and is not what God called me to do.

The reality is most of us are forced to make the most important decision of our lives when we are in our 20s or younger. We feel obligated to choose our work and decide what to do with the rest of our lives without understanding our strengths, our passions, and our purpose.

When I chose to go into accounting, I honestly did not pray about it or question if it was something I was going to enjoy doing. I did like most men and decided on my career path based on its earning potential.

It seemed like a right decision at the time especially since growing up I always remember my dad stressed out about money and having to deal with several bankruptcies. I also knew that CPAs were experts at managing money and got paid well. So accounting and becoming a CPA became my safety blanket.

However, after working over 20 years as an accountant, I now realize that life is not about the amount of money I make or the things I can buy. You see, I can never become the best accountant I can be because I have no passion for it. I also find it hard to make a difference in the lives of others when I am disengaged in my work.

The good news is that it is never too late to change. God designed all of us to fulfill His calling. To do work that we are passionate about that matches our unique strengths.

For me, I am passionate about helping kids and teens to build healthy habits and lose weight. This is what God has called me to do, and I am actually very good at it. I have been very fortunate to find my calling while still in my 40s and have even started two teen weight loss businesses over the years.

I have not been able to retire from accounting and pursue teen weight loss full-time yet. However, I pray every day for God to give me the strength, courage, and wisdom to follow His will. If our good Lord truly desires that I dedicate my life to helping teens build healthy habits, He will make it happen. However, it is up to me to take the steps necessary and to never, ever give up.

QUESTION 1: Where do you feel God calling you today? How can you pursue something you're passionate about?

QUESTION 2: Before leaving your current job, how can a perspective adjustment change how you view your career? Can you glorify God right where you are? (Hint: you can.)

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CHALLENGE

If you are disengaged at your job like me, don't give up. Seek God and ask Him to reveal your purpose for being here. Then follow your calling wholeheartedly and the plans that He has set for you.

CONGRATULATIONS...NOW WHAT?

So you've finished the Uncommen Leader Devotional and by now you are probably high-fiving, passing out some fist bumps and feeling pretty good about yourself. We are right there with you in celebrating your commitment in becoming an Uncommen Leader. Are you ready for the next level?

APPLICATION

Reading inspirational content is one thing, but applying that concept is another. We'd like you to take all of the lessons you've learned during your time in this devotional and make a list of what you are going to do to apply some of these principals to your life.

GROWTH

Have you been inviting people to your group? I challenge you to invite one man who you think would benefit from being part of this group to your next meeting. Get out in the community as a group and start to invest into people where they need you the most.

SUPPORT

Do you enjoy and believe in what Uncommen is doing? We'd like to ask everyone in your group to prayerfully consider committing to signing up for a small on-going donation (no amount is too small), that would help us reach more men around the world.

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and Leader they were always meant to be!*

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