Inspirational/Motivational Speaker



A WORD FROM STEVE PATTERSON – "I grew up in the small, Texas Panhandle town of Borger. Riding bareback horses and calf roping were my life's passion at one time. I have worked as a journeyman construction iron worker/welder, a pipe welder like my dad, a volunteer firefighter, and, after serving as a Navy Seabee reservist, I received an Honorable Discharge. My wife Tracie, the love of my life, and I now live in Amarillo, Texas with our two girls Delanie and Rylie. I have been blessed to be able to participate in many different activities in my life. I have also been blessed, and my faith strengthened, by the heart wrenching life challenges that have come my way. It is my prayer that by sharing my family's "real life" experiences with others God will be able to touch hearts and change lives!"

A sample of Steve's inspirational messages are shown below. Each message can be adapted for age appropriate audience whether it be a church setting, youth organization, or professional meeting.

Thirteen Months with an Angel

Author of the book, *Thirteen Months with an Angel*, Steve gives an intimate, heart warming inspirational message about how God used their family with their "special needs" angel, Braden, to reach out to others and demonstrate God's strength, power, and above all, His love for us! This message will surely touch your heart as well as help you focus on the more important things in life.

Undone

Steve shares the joyous, yet tragic life decisions, of his son, Thomas Patterson. Thomas was always happy, especially when hunting, fishing, or just hanging out with his friends. Rarely did you see Thomas without a smile on his face. Born and raised in Amarillo, TX Thomas' life changed and his smile and hope faded away when he experimented with drugs and then became a drug addict. Thomas served time in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ) prison system for a third degree felony for possession of a controlled substance. Steve shares his son's experiences in a way that grip the attention

of teenagers, young adults, and senior citizens. By reading from the letters Thomas wrote to him while incarcerated, Steve draws the audience in to this heart-felt message that if God can undo the chains that bound the heart and the life of his drug-addicted son He can do it for others as well!

You are Special!

Have you ever wondered if you really are special in God's eyes? Steve shares several personal real life experiences that beg to question, "With everything going on in my life how could God possibly consider me special?" This humorous, inspiring message will take you on a journey back to childhood through the present while giving encouragement to recognize those moments in life when Christ has shown how very special we are to Him.

Much thought and prayer go in to every message Steve provides. Specific topic related scriptures are associated with each talk as well. All talks can be adapted to specific audience's needs and time-lines. 100% of any donations (if any) associated with Steve's messages go to Higher Focus Ministries.

If you would like to engage Steve as a guest speaker for your church, youth event, or professional organization please e-mail **steve@higherfocus.org** or call 806-463-2431.







Steve is available for congregational, corporate, youth, and general audience speaking engagements. His messages include power-point slides, which are optional depending on venue and technical resources available.

About Higher Focus Ministries Co-Founders

Many have said Steve and Tracie have had more than their fair share of personal tragedy, heartache, and pain. In 2002 Steve's brother, Allen, was murdered at the age of 51. 3-1/2 weeks later their special needs child of 13 months, Braden, unexpectedly passed away. February 2011 Steve's 26 year old son, Thomas, without warning passed away. Throughout the Pattersons have kept their focus on Christ while trying to help others to realize that God has a "Higher Focus" for us all!