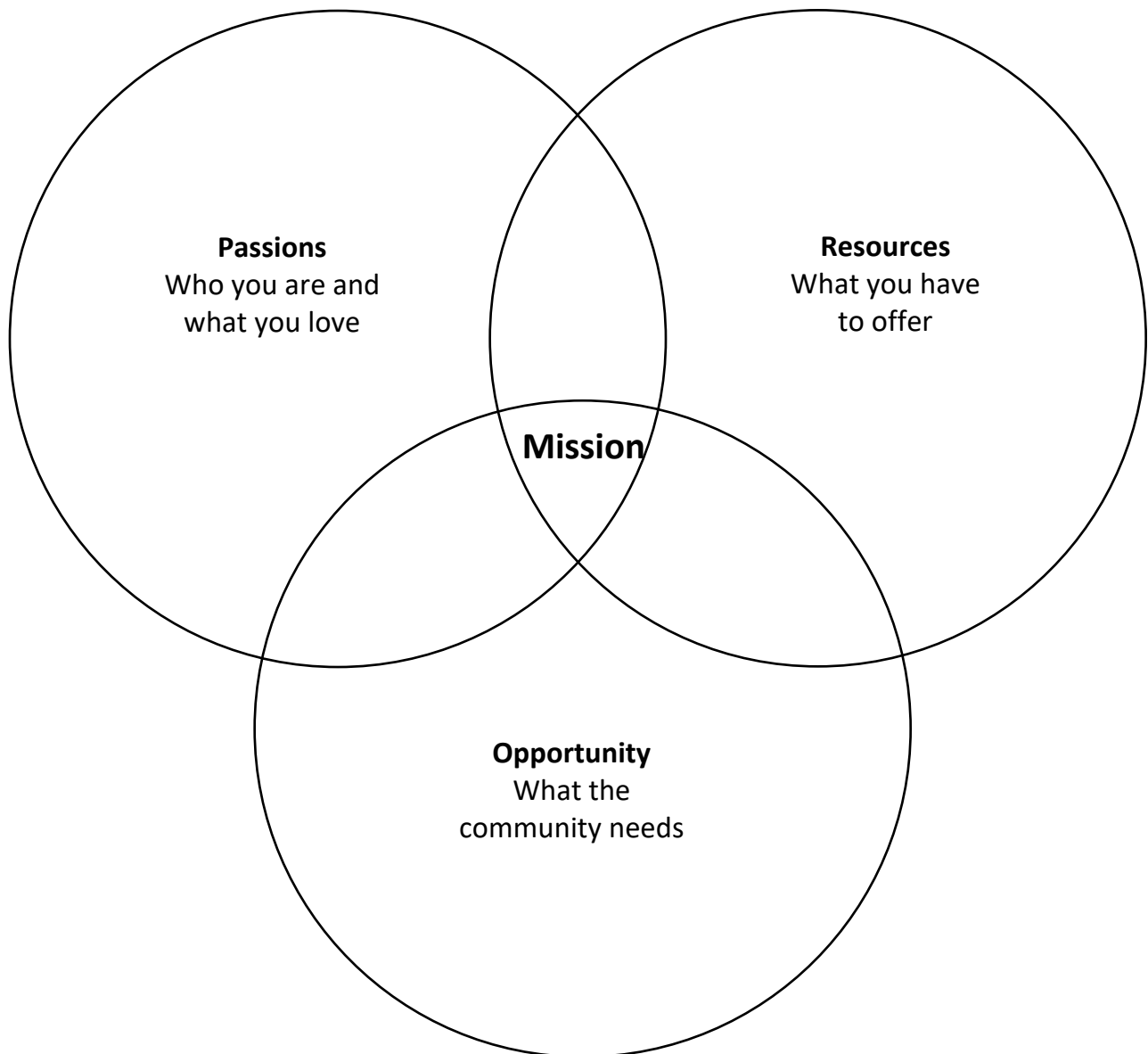




Map 6- Clarifying Our Mission

Without programs and ministries aligned behind a stated mission/vision/direction, our programs and ministries are simply shots in the dark at an unknown target. Taking the time to name the destination will bring clarity to your thoughts. Aligning your ministries and programs behind that destination will help you choose where to focus your efforts and how to make decisions. Leading by the mission will help you focus your efforts and infuse meaning and importance into everything you do. Spend some time with leaders in your church jotting down thoughts in the circles below. Then draw conclusions with the questions that follow.



Drawing Conclusions

1. Where do your passions, resources and opportunities align? Where has God given you a heart to do, the resources to support it, and the opportunity to move forward?
2. How can you clarify your mission/purpose into a clear, sticky, compelling statement that will inspire and motivate others to move toward your desired destination?
3. How might you communicate this mission/purpose to those in your congregation?
4. What would it look like to align your ministries behind this mission?
5. How is God calling you to lead by this mission?