# Values

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# Getting to Know You

- **★** Your name
- ★ If you suddenly received a tax-free \$1,000,000 gift what would you do with it?
- ★ One thing I do better than most people is?
- ★ I think my unit/organization should be the one place in the world where...
- ★ Life is most meaningful to me when...

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### Values in Our Relationships

Internal Plane External Plane

Spirituality/Religion Others

Self Circumstances

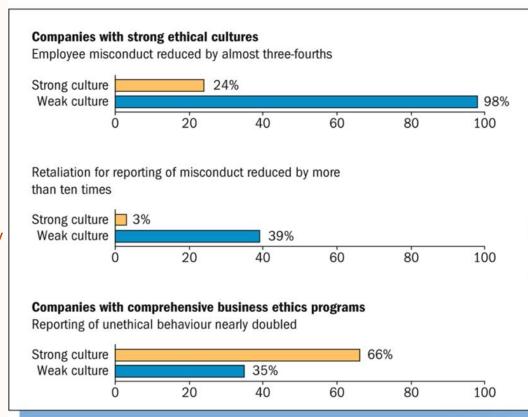
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#### **Ethics are About Values**

#### Jan 2015 - Kessler International Survey

- 1- untimely and inappropriate use of cellphones
- 2- wearing inappropriate clothing to work
- 3- complete lack of courtesy
- 4- use of street talk and signs in professional meetings
- 5- the inability of younger staff to write a letter/email
- 6- the lack of personal responsibility
- 7- failure to say please and thank you
- 8- lying to phone caller
- 9- hanging up on phone calls when they are confronted and were uncomfortable
- 10- cheating on time billed to clients and stealing time by arriving late and leaving early
- 11- cutting corners on work product rather than staying after hours to correct the mistakes they made
- 12- visiting sex and dating websites on company time
- 13- sexting on company phones
- 14- the inability to interact professionally with clients during a business function
- 15- the lack of manners
- 16- the lack of integrity

### Companies with Strong Ethics Cultures Reduce the Risk of Unethical Behavior



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### Intersecting Values and Ethics



"If we don't decide where we're going, we're bound to end up where we're headed."

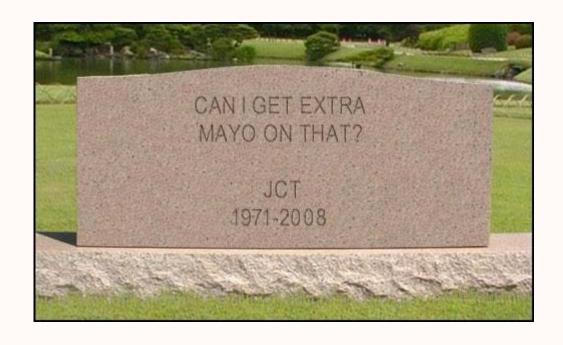
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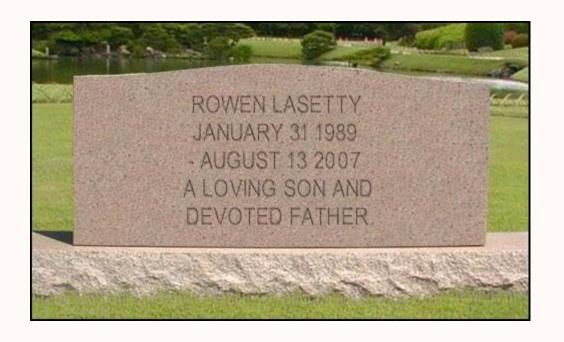
#### **Passion Word Exercise**

- ★ Follow the directions at the top of the sheet
  - ★ Place a check mark beside each word that sparks interest for you
  - ★ Then write your top 5 interests on the lines at the end



### Marker Stone Activity





# Personal Values Journey Marker Stone Activity

Family
Earn a living
Make parents proud
Faithful to my God
Lots of friends
Successful career
Don't want to fail
Be respectable

Loyal person
Family man/woman
Served his/her country well
Responsible in everything
Loved hamburgers

Chuck

One sentence or 3-5 words that describes your life

### Values Based Living

Spirituality	Others
Self	Circumstances

"Try not. Do, or do not. There is no try."

- Yoda

#### **Committed Action**

- ★ Goal: build larger and larger patterns of behavior that are values consistent
- ★ Values congruent behavior that leads to our goals
  - ★ Willingness is a primary condition of committed action
  - ★ Committed action inevitably invites unwanted experience
  - ★ Utilizing deliberate practice
- ★ Commitment is funded by ongoing process of valuing



Front of Paper

#### Value:

My family
Provider, Protector, Nurturer
Loving, Caring, Mutually Nurturing

Back of Paper

#### Pain:

I'm not going to be able to handle it when they die
This is too painful
The feeling of anxiety knowing that death is
inevitable

# Personal Values Inventory

- ★ Step 1: Review the following values list...
- ★ Step 2: Select the values that are valuable/important to you with a mark of "V."
- ★ Step 3: Go back through your marked values and place another "V" by the ones that are very important to you so that you have some that are marked with "VV."
- ★ Step 4: If you have more than five "VV's" then go back and circle your top five with a "VV."

- ★ Personal Values
- **★** Organizational Values



COURAGE to do the right thing

Duty – doing what is required

our word is

Respectfully treating others with dignity

Loyalty – to our nation 1st, AF values & commitments 2nd, Airmen 3rd

Discipline shapes your appearance & actions

Teamwork – contributions by us all

Mission – operations, product, and resources excellence

### Universal Ethical Values

- **★** Integrity
- **★** Manners
- **★** Fairness
- **★** Caring
- **★** Respect
- **★** Excellence
- **★** Accountability
- **★** Courtesy
- **★** Appropriateness

### Finding Meaning and Purpose

#### The Hardest Part

- ★ USAFA has an honor code:
  - ★ We will not lie, cheat, or steal,
  - ★ or tolerate anyone among us who does.
- ★ What is the hardest part of that?
  - ★ Line 1
  - ★ Line 2

"To sin by silence when they should protest makes cowards of men."
-- Abraham Lincoln

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Vision: Mission:



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### The Honorable Person/Organization

- ★ Is known by certain characteristics (integrity, excellence, selflessness)
- ★ These characteristics are lived out through our behaviors (concern for others, openness, genuineness)
- ★ Our behaviors are determined by our choices
- ★ How are your choices decided?

### Conclusion

### The Air Force Professional

- ★A trusted servant to our Nation who
  - → Demonstrates unquestionable competence
  - → Adheres to the highest ethical standards
  - → Is a steward of the future of the Air Force profession
- ★ Distinguished by a willing commitment and loyalty to Air Force Core Values

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