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Worksheet for Scott Harrison | How to Quench the World's Thirst with Charity (Episode 106)

We're all good at something. But do we use our skills by bettering the world for those around us, or do we selfishly squander our gifts for the glory of personal gratification?

Scott Harrison, founder of [charity: water](#) and author of [*Thirst: A Story of Redemption, Compassion, and a Mission to Bring Clean Water to the World*](#), joins us for [episode 106](#) to talk about how he turned around a vice-addled decade as a club promoter on a fast track to an early grave to become the founder of a charity that aims to provide clean water to 100 million people by 2020.

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Going Back to Your Roots

Despite the setbacks his family faced, Scott learned a lot of good, positive messages (both from Christianity and experience) growing up -- and then he spent a decade living in stark contrast to these messages. Then, after finding a spiritual and emotional bottom, he decided to quit his *"race to the bottom"* and return to his roots in the faith he once knew.

Think back to when you were young. Are there any positive or helpful teachings/principles you've abandoned? Why do you think this is? Do you want to pick any of them back up?

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180 Degree Improvement

Scott wanted to make positive improvements in his life, so naturally he tried to cut back on his vices. The problem: this didn't work. He would make some progress and then fall back off the wagon and return to depravity. In his words, he had to: "quit all of this crap."

**Have you tried to cut back on any vices?
Is something holding you back from
giving them up completely?**

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The Credits Transfer

Much like transferring credits from university to university, life skills can often transfer from one area to another -- even if they don't seem obvious at first glance. Scott had the gift of promoting and packing NYC nightclubs for years. Then he realized he could use that ability and promote his new message: charity.

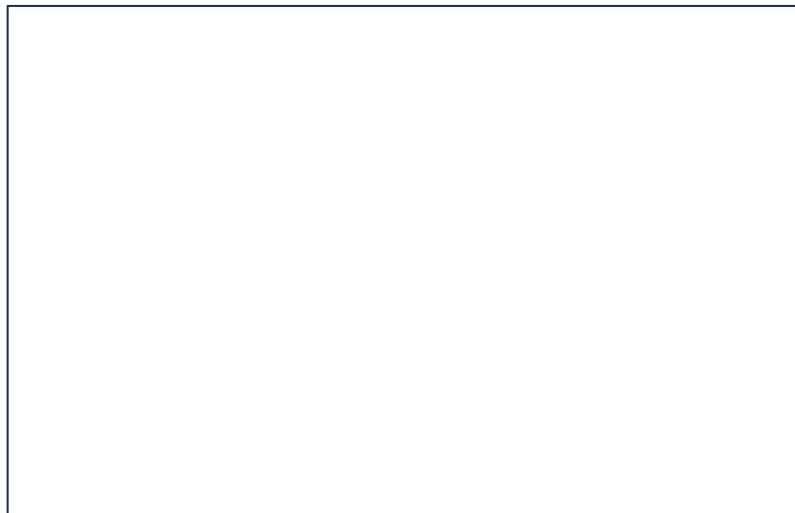
Make a list of skills you've picked up in your life. Is there one you possibly haven't thought about in ages that could help your current situation? Look twice, just in case there doesn't appear to be a match at first.

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Stories, Not Stats

It's pretty obvious that charity: water has done a ton of good. One of the main reasons it's made such an impact has been Scott's ability to get the message out. But what is the message? According to Scott it's not statistics that paint a picture: it's storytelling.

In your life or organization, are you communicating your message using storytelling, or are you just using graphics and diagrams?



Full show notes and resources for this episode [can be found here](#).

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