

## PRESENTER BIOGRAPHIES



Ten years ago after all his achievements, Thom Winninger, Like David, found himself in a cave. What he had accomplished seemed to no longer have meaning; the things he had acquired suddenly has no value! What he had worked so hard for was losing significance. After delivering 3,000+ speeches all worldwide, being inducted into the Speaker Hall of Fame, receiving the highest award by 3,800 members of the National Speakers Association and authoring seven books, none of these achievements seemed important. In the depth of reflection, he rediscovered Ignatius and in doing so he discovered that none of us can know our purpose without knowing our GIFT.

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