

A dramatic, dark scene with a man on a rock looking out at a city through a wave tunnel. The man is seen from behind, holding a long wooden staff. The city is visible through the opening of the wave, with several birds flying in the sky above it. The overall atmosphere is one of awe and divine calling.

CALLING

GOD CALLS, GOD PROVIDES, GOD FULFILLS

Exercise:

- When I was growing up, I wanted to be...
- Why?





Your Calling is much deeper
than what you do

What Calling is *not*

Roles:

Given by man (yourself, others)

Misunderstanding will keep you sidelined

Roles can drive you to seek your Calling

What Calling is

Universal Calling:

The “umbrella” of our lives under which we’re all called to live

1 Corinthians 1:9

“God, who has called you into fellowship with His Son Jesus Christ our Lord, is faithful”

Participation with God and community with each other

Matthew 28:19 – participation with God

Matthew 25 – community with each other

Matthew 25:31-36

“When the Son of Man comes in his glory and all the angels with him, then he will sit on his glorious throne. All the nations will be assembled before him, and he will separate people one from another like a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. He will put the sheep on his right and the goats on his left. Then the king will say to those on his right, ‘Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. **For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.’** “

“God’s call is for you to be His loyal friend, for
whatever purpose He has for your life”

Oswald Chambers

What Calling is

Unique Calling:

We each have a *unique* Calling because God created each of us for a specific purpose to participate with Him in His story

Your Calling is not a job or a role; it is landing your unique
Glory in the world

Ephesians 2:10

For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

Your Glory – what is it?

Absolutely key to understanding your Calling

1. Glory = Splendor, Abundance, Brilliance

Psalm 8:3-6

When I consider your heavens,
the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars,
which you have set in place,

⁴ what is mankind that you are mindful of them,
human beings that you care for them?

⁵ You have made them a little lower than the angels
and **crowned them with glory and honor.**

⁶ You made them rulers over the works of your hands;
you put everything under their feet...

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2. So “you” that you probably don’t notice it
3. What do you naturally do? – “inherent ability”

1 Corinthians 3:16

Don't you know that you yourselves are God's temple and that God's Spirit lives in you?

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4. What “compels” you? Something you can’t “turn off”
5. A weight and authority you bring to a situation

Your Calling is to let the world around you
experience the Glory of your life

How does God use our Glory?

Assignments:

God's plan to land your Glory and weightiness in specific situations He places you in within His Larger Story.

Each is a training step...

Your Glory/Calling will be revealed in stages/steps.

Understanding your Glory

Word exercise

Calling Discovery Exercise

Check-mark the verbs which generate the most excitement, energy & enthusiasm for you

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**List your top 5
passion words:**

Discussion questions:

1. I wanted to be a _____ when I was growing up. Have you ever felt like you've lost something or "settled" in life? Why?
2. Discuss your "word exercise" answers. Did you notice any patterns/themes that surprised you? Do you believe they "fit" you, or not? Why/why not?
3. Any common themes or links you can identify between the "I wanted to be" exercise and the word exercise?