



WEEK 4: YOUR CALLING

ICE BREAKER

WORSHIP

PRAYER

SERMON REWIND

In *Called to Care, Part 4: "Your Calling,"* we delved into the idea of serving and discovering one's calling within the church community, referencing **Ephesians 4:11-12**. All believers are encouraged to make themselves available, serve, and minister as part of their calling as His disciples. The message emphasized the importance of serving others and using one's gifts to build up the Kingdom. We were challenged to reflect on our calling and get involved in various areas of service within the church.

KEY VERSES

2 Timothy 2:2, *"And the things you have heard me say in the presence of many witnesses entrust to reliable people who will also be qualified to teach others."*

Proverbs 24:16, *"The godly may trip seven times, but they will get up again. But one disaster is enough to overthrow the wicked."*

Ephesians 4:11-12, *"So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up."*

Ephesians 4:16, *"He makes the whole body fit together perfectly. As each part does its own special work, it helps the other parts grow, so that the whole body is healthy and growing and full of love."*

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1 In the message, Pastor emphasizes the importance of availability, quoting **2 Timothy 2:2**, stating that it's about being open and willing to be used by God.

a. Can you think of a time when you made yourself available to serve others, even when it was challenging or outside your comfort zone?

2 The sermon points out that Jesus himself came not to be served but to serve, and it discusses the incident in **Mark 9:33-35** where Jesus teaches that true greatness comes from serving.

a. Why does the Scriptures emphasize the importance of serving others rather than seeking to be served??

b. How can you incorporate this attitude of servanthood into your relationships with family, friends, and others in your community?

3 **Ephesians 4:11-12** mentions roles given by Jesus to help equip the believers.

a. According to **Ephesians 4:11-12**, what are the different roles Jesus has given in the church to equip the saints for the work of ministry?

b. What role do you think you might be called to play within your local church to further the work of ministry?

4 Read **2 Corinthians 3:5-6**.

a. In what practical ways can you be a minister of the gospel to those around you in your daily life?

5 We were encouraged to get involved in ministries like leading small groups, participating in women's ministry, or working in children's ministry to explore our gifts and callings.

- a. How can being involved in various areas of service within the church, help us discover our callings?
- b. What is one area of ministry you feel led to explore or get more involved in? How can you take actionable steps toward that calling?

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Reflection: Take a deep breath and read....

Ephesians 4:16 speaks to how we are bound together not only for the spiritual growth of the body of Christ but also for us growing into being full of love. We may think that it takes a special, more equipped person to love the unlovable and to serve them well but we must remember that in our weakness He is strong.

1. Consider the unique gifts and abilities you possess. Are you using them to contribute to the growth and well-being of your community? If not, what steps can you take to start making a positive impact, so that the whole body can be healthy, growing, and full of love?
2. Now perhaps you do not believe you possess any unique gifts or abilities, please know that is a lie from the pit of hell. God has uniquely and purposefully made you on purpose and for purpose to help build His Kingdom, we the body of believers need you.

PRAYER/MINISTRY TIME

- Ask God to help us be available and open to serve.
- Pray for the courage to use our gifts to serve others.
- Seek guidance to recognize and fulfill our calling in ministry.
- Request strength to grow together as a unified body of Christ.

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