

Devotional Guide

Calling Out The Called

As you prepare for ministry leadership, consider studying these passages as part of your daily devotion time. Meditate on the Scriptures to deepen your understanding of each topic.

Looking in the Mirror: Character and Values

- **Ephesians 4:11-16** – Equipping the Saints for the Work of Ministry
- **1 Corinthians 12:12-20; Romans 12:3-8** – Spiritual Gifts in the Body of Christ
- **1 Peter 4:10-11** – Our Gifts, His Glory
- **2 Corinthians 12:7-10** – Our Struggles, His Strength

Watering the Soul and Weeding the Garden: Spiritual Growth

- **John 15:1-11** – Abiding in Christ and Bearing Fruit
- **Psalms 139:23-24; Psalm 51:1-12** – Reflection and Repentance
- **1 John 1:9; Isaiah 1:18** – Confession and Cleansing
- **1 Timothy 4:7b-8; 1 Peter 2:2; Hebrews 4:16** – Spiritual Disciplines
- **Ephesians 4:22-24; Colossians 3:5-17** – How to Dress for Success

Taking Off the Bib and Putting on an Apron: Ministry Service

- **Matthew 20:25-28** – Living with a Servant's Mentality
- **Philippians 2:3-11** – Learning from the Son's Mentality
- **1 Peter 5:1-5** – Leading with a Shepherd's Mentality
- **John 13:1-17** – Loving with Our Savior's Mentality

The Sword and the Scalpel: Teaching the Scriptures

- **2 Timothy 3:16-4:5; 2 Peter 1:20-21; Hebrews 4:12** – The Inspiration, Inerrancy, Infallibility, and Supernatural Power of Scripture
- **Ezra 7:10** – Devoting Your Heart to Study, to Do, and to Teach God's Word
- **2 Timothy 2:15** – Faithful Interpretation and Instruction
- **James 3:1** – Greater Responsibility and Accountability for Teachers
- **Colossians 1:28-29** – Our Passion for Proclaiming Him

Mission Accomplished: Missions and Evangelism

- **Matthew 28:16-20** – The Great Commission
- **Acts 1:8** – The Global Mission
- **Matthew 5:14-16** – Living as Salt and Light
- **Colossians 4:2-6** – Praying for Open Doors; Wisdom and Winsome
- **1 Peter 3:15** – Always Prepared to Give an Answer

Rhythms and Routines: Administration and Life Management

- **Matthew 25:14-30** – God's Definition of Success is Faithfulness
- **1 Thessalonians 4:11-12** – Pursuing Anonymity
- **Colossians 3:17,23; 1 Corinthians 10:31** – Effort and Excellence for Christ
- **2 Corinthians 8:1-15; 9:6-15** – Grace Giving

Avoiding Landmines: Developing People Skills

- **Romans 12:9-21** – God's Handbook for Healthy Relationships
- **1 Thessalonians 5:14** – How to Deal with Difficult People
- **1 John 4:7-12; 1 Corinthians 13:4-7** – All We Need is Love
- **James 2:1-12** – The Sin of Partiality

Understanding a Woman's Calling to Ministry

- **Romans 12:4-8** – Equipped by God
- **Proverbs 16:9** – Led by God
- **Matthew 28:19** – Used by God