

# Understanding a Calling to Ministry

### **Do you remember when the Holy Spirit drew you into ministry?**

The process likely occurred over a season, not just in one moment. Hopefully, someone mentored you and prayed with you as God called you. Now you are the one shepherding the next generation, wondering who God is calling and what you should do next.

Understanding a Calling to Ministry provides free companion resources to [\*Calling Out the Called\*](#). These videos and guides cover eight ministry topics and include practical tools for ministry leaders to disciple and walk alongside future ministry leaders as they examine their calling to ministry.

Watch the video for each ministry topic then use the mentoring guides to facilitate discussion as you disciple a future ministry leader.

## **Ministry Topics Include:**

### **Looking in the Mirror: Character and Values**

- Evaluate personal character and identify strengths, weaknesses, and spiritual gifts.

### **Watering the Soul and Weeding the Garden: Spiritual Growth**

- Teach spiritual disciplines, establish accountability, identify areas of struggle, and overcome temptation.

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

- Examine the role of leadership in the church and opportunities to shadow and serve.

### **The Sword and the Scalpel: Teaching the Scriptures**

- Learn how to prepare lessons and messages and how to disciple others.

### **Mission Accomplished: Missions and Evangelism**

- Provide a global perspective of lostness and the mission and how to share the gospel.

### **Rhythms and Routines: Administration and Life Management**

- Understand the importance of personal administration, church administration, priorities, and finding balance.

### **Avoiding Landmines: Developing People Skills**

- Develop skills in communication, tact and diplomacy, and navigating conflict.

### **Understanding a Woman's Calling to Ministry**

- Equip women to discover, serve, and lead in the role to which God has called them.

## **Each Mentoring Guide Provides:**

### **Talking Points: Questions to Consider**

- Questions to facilitate conversations that help shape a healthy perspective of the topic, consider related aspects of their calling, and evaluate their own suitability in each area

### **Teaching Points: Scriptures to Consider**

- Scriptures that establish a biblical understanding of the topic, cultivate spiritual growth in each area, and provide practical instruction for response

### **Thinking Points: Resources to Consider**

- Suggested resources for further growth and a deeper understanding of each topic

### **Training Points: Opportunities to Consider**

- Ministry suggestions to provide guided learning opportunities and practical experiences