



THIS IS THE WAY

Remember Your Calling

2 Peter 3:1-7

Message Reflection Guide

Identity feeds purpose.

God's calling is just as much as WHO you are as it is WHAT you accomplish.

“According to Viktor Frankl, a person finds identity only to the extent that ‘he commits himself to something beyond himself, to a cause greater than himself.’ The meaning of our lives emerges in the surrender of ourselves to an adventure of becoming who we are not yet.”

■ **Brennan Manning, Abba's Child: The Cry of the Heart for Intimate Belonging**

CONVERSATION STARTER

Think about some of your favorite movies and answer the following questions:

How did the main character discover his/her purpose?

Who else was involved in helping them press into their purpose?

What were some obstacles keeping them from fulfilling their purpose?

GETTING INTO THE SCRIPTURES

Read 2 Peter 3:1-7

Garrett said, “**When you are not clear on your purpose you distract yourself with pleasure.**”

Peter mentions that in the last days there will be scoffers who will mock the truth and follow their own desires. What are some obstacles that keep people from knowing/discovering their purpose?

Are there current philosophies or worldviews that you notice your peers or the next generation gravitating toward that mock the truth or encourage following your own desires?

Mufasa told Simba, “Remember who you are.” And spoke to his purpose as the true king.

In 2 Peter, he's encouraging you to remember what the prophets and Jesus commanded. Brainstorm a list of Scripture passages that speak to your identity and purpose (*Bonus* my favorite is Ephesians 2:8-10).

MAKING IT REAL

In what ways do you feel you are neglecting your true identity or your true purpose?

Use Psalm 139:23-24 as a prayer to invite God to search your inner-being. Ask Him to lead you into your true identity and purpose.