



BAC 90: WHERE ARE WE GOING AS A CHURCH?

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OUR MISSION

Everyday people **living out our God-given calling** as we invest in others to do the same.

- Ephesians 2:10: “For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared ahead of time for us to do.”
 - We’re not just saved _____ something; we’re saved _____ something.
 - _____ calling: God’s will for ALL believers.
 - “For we are *HIS* workmanship”—we’re created to reflect God!
 - We’re all called to _____ God and make _____.
 - “Workmanship” is the Greek word *poiema*, which is where we get the word “poem” from. In the ancient world, *poiema* referred to a work of art or craftsmanship, including poems, plays, songs, pottery, and jewelry.
 - “Ahead of time” refers to “before the foundation of the world” (Ephesians 1:4). Before you were born or the world was made, God had specific good works in mind for you!
 - You’re _____ to make a _____ difference.
 - _____ Calling: your unique role in God’s overall mission (illustration: Jack Garmen, Apollo 11).
 - God-given calling is NOT...
 - Just for _____ and _____.
 - Equivalent to a _____.
 - Limited to the church _____.
 - God-given calling: How you use your God-given _____ and _____ to make a difference for Jesus in your circle of impact.
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- Living Out Your Calling:

- Your “two words” are a simple and memorable way of naming your personal calling. Your two words complete the following thought:

I exist to glorify God and make disciples by

_____ ing _____.

[Abilities] [Passions]

- Example Two Words:

Andrea: Cultivating Eden

Mike: Inspiring Innovation

Bob: Razing Hell

Rebecca: Illuminating Shadows

Lindsay: Refining Diamonds

Ryan: Building Bedrock

Luke: Unearthing Wonders

Stephanie: Mining Potential

- Examples of living out God-Given Calling (Unearthing Wonders):

- Start a writing project to help people see the wonders in God’s Word and world
- Start family devotions to help awaken wonder in my wife and kids
- Invite unsaved friends to spend time outdoors—use it as an opportunity for Gospel conversations
- Invite 2-3 friends to go through *Equip*; include “unearthing wonders” moments

- Illustration: Aircraft Carrier

Notes:

