

# Spiritual Recalibration: Aligning with God's Purpose (2)

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## Seeking God Through Prayer and Meditation

#### Philippians 4:6-7 (NIV)

Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.



# Seeking God Through Prayer and Meditation

#### **Action Plans**

- Establish a Regular Prayer Routine
- Practice Listening
- Utilize Scriptures



The Role of Self-Reflection and Examination of Our Lives

Lamentations 3:40 (NIV)

Let us examine our ways and test them, and let us return to the Lord.



# The Role of Self-Reflection and Examination of Our Lives

Self-reflection is the process of introspectively analyzing one's thoughts, feelings and actions to gain deeper understanding and insight. It is a conscious effort to step back and assess one's experiences, decisions, and overall life journey. Through self-reflection, individuals can identify strengths, weaknesses, patterns and areas for growth or change

#### **Tools/Means**

- Journaling
- Seeking accountability and feedback

# SURRENDERING TO GOD'S PLAN



Surrendering to God's Leading and Guidance

#### Proverbs 3:5-6 (NIV)

Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.

# SURRENDERING TO GOD'S PLAN



Surrendering to God's Leading and Guidance

- Practice Daily Surrender
- Let Go of Control
- Obey Promptings





#### Hebrews 12:1-2 (NIV)

Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith.

# Identifying Obstacles that Hinder Our Alignment with God's Purpose

#### 2 Corinthians 10:4-5 (NIV)

The weapons we fight with are not the weapons of the world. On the contrary, they have divine power to demolish strongholds. We demolish arguments and every pretension that sets itself up against the knowledge of God, and we take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ.



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Scripture as a Tool



**Community Support** 

**Prayer for Discernment** 

#### Joshua 1:9 (NIV)

Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go.



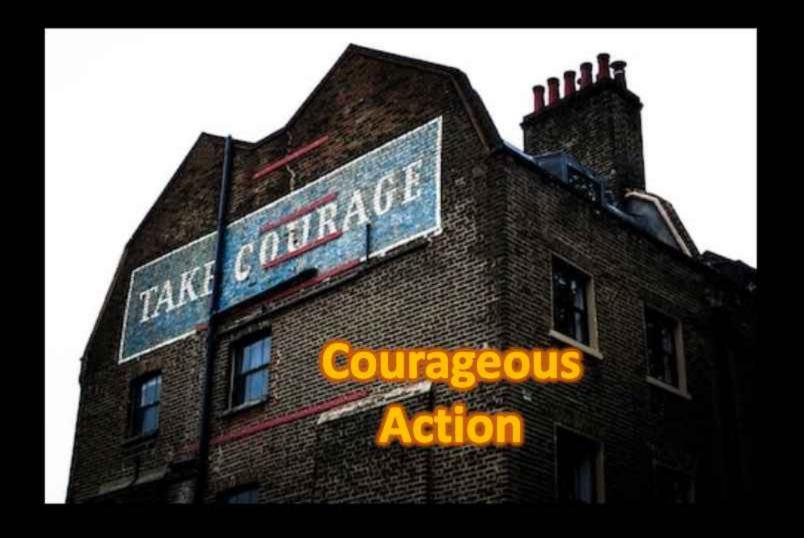
#### Hebrews 12:2 (NIV)

Fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before him he endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.









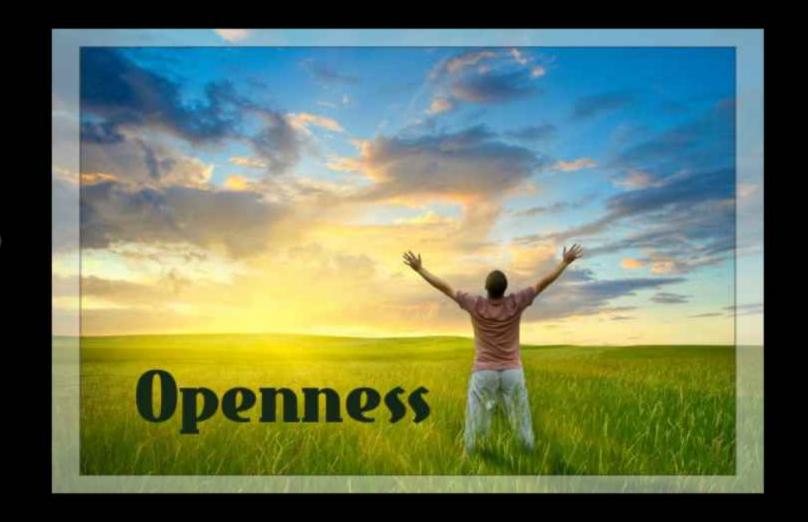
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#### Ezekiel 36:26 (NIV)

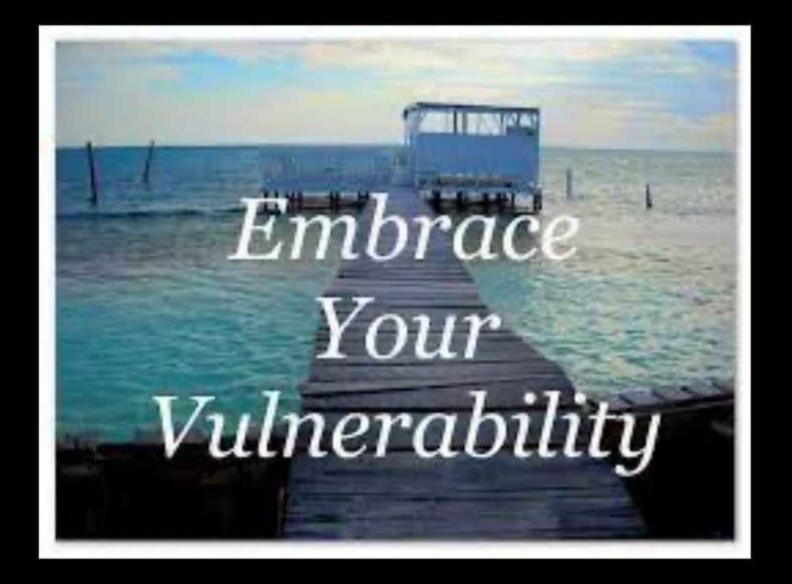
I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you; I will remove from you your heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh.



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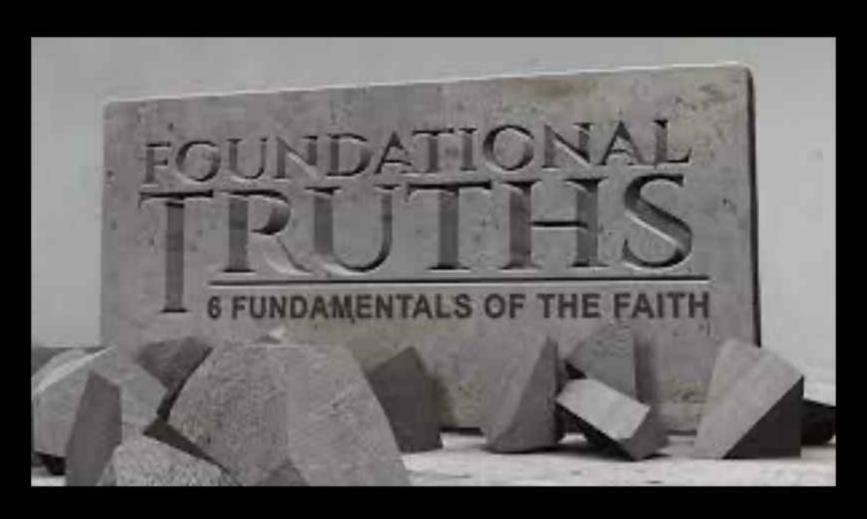
# ALIGNING WITH GOD'S PURPOSE

The meaning, purpose and significance of our lives are found only by aligning our lives with God's purposes, in lives committed to following Jesus Christ Richard Stearns



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## Reconnecting with the Foundational Principles of Faith



#### Means/Tools

- Studying Scripture
- Mentorship & Discipleship
- Application in Daily Life

## **Embracing God's Unique Calling for Each Individual**



# GOD'S CALLING: FOR YOUR LIFE

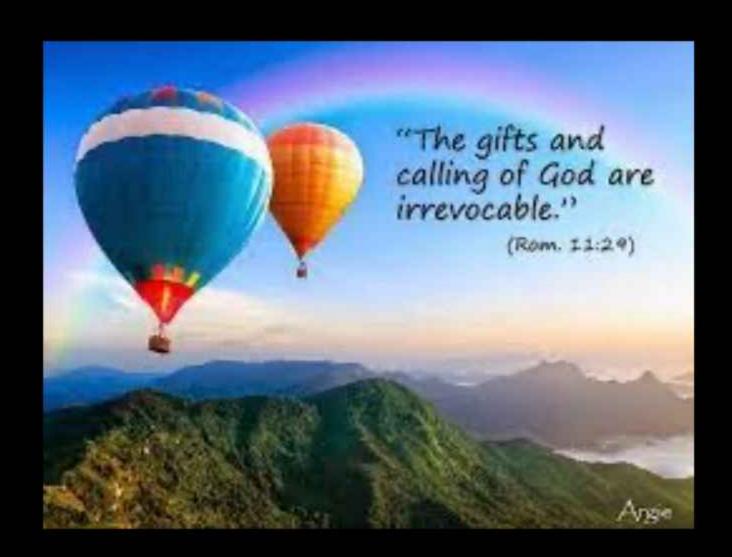
Peter 4:10 (NIV)

Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms.

## **Embracing God's Unique Calling for Each Individual**

#### **Tools/Means**

- Gifts Assessment
- Community Engagement
- Periodic Reflection



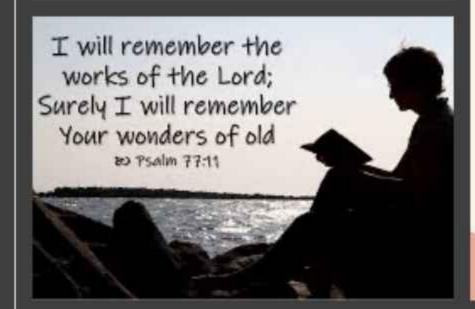
## **Embracing God's Unique Calling for Each Individual**

1 Samuel 15:22 (NIV)

But Samuel replied: "Does the Lord delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices as much as in obeying the Lord? To obey is better than sacrifice, and to heed is better than the fat of rams."









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# 12 Goals for Personal Realignment with God's Purpose

- 1. Seeking God's Presence
- 2. Embracing Personal Transformation
- 3. Living a Life of Obedience
- 4. Cultivating a Heart of Gratitude
- 5. Pursuing Authentic Community
- 6. Embracing Servant Leadership

- 7. Walking in Forgiveness
- 8. Cultivating Compassion
- 9. Pursuing Holistic Wellness
- 10. Stewarding Resources Wisely
- 11. Proclaiming the Gospel
- 12. Aligning with God's Purpose

# Discussion Questions

- 1. What areas of your life that you believe God show you that need recalibration? Are there specific scriptures, life situations; events, or illustrations that have pointed you toward aligning living?
- 2. What concrete steps can I take in the coming weeks and months to live more intentionally in alignment with God's purpose? How can I ensure accountability in pursuing these steps?
- 3. What are the main obstacles or distractions that hinder my alignment with God's purpose, and how can I overcome them?

# Discussion Questions

- 4. Who can I partner with or seek guidance from as I pursue aligned living and seek to overcome obstacles along the way?
- 5. What specific goals can I set to use my gifts, talents, and resources to positively impact my community and the world through aligned living?
- 6. What are some potential challenges or obstacles in living in alignment with God's purposes, and how can we overcome them as a community?
- 7. As a group, can we develop an action plan for engaging in community service, outreach, or advocacy efforts that align with God's principles and promote positive change?