

Reflection & Response

Questions for Discussion

- What has God been speaking to you about?
- What area of purpose are you currently growing in?
- What obstacles have challenged your journey?
- What does healthy ministry look like to you?

Leadership Observation

- During discussion and activities, pay attention to:
- Who responds with wisdom and maturity
 - Who reacts emotionally without reflection
 - Who demonstrates readiness for growth and leadership

Focus:

- Responder vs. Reactor
- Growth in ministry often begins with learning how to respond in faith instead of reacting in emotion.

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Purposeful Journey

“Your decisions determine your outcome.”

Every journey in ministry begins with purpose. The choices we make, the voices we follow, and the posture we carry all shape where God is leading us.

Session Topics

1. Understanding Your Purpose

What is your driving force?

What has God called you to do?

What blocks or delays your purpose?

Where are your insights when it comes to purpose and your journey?

True purpose begins with surrender. When you submit to God’s will, your purpose will naturally unfold.

2. The Journey Matters

Many people can tell you about where they have been, but not everyone can guide you where you are going.

To grow in ministry, you must learn from people who are actively walking in purpose and pursuing God’s direction.

Key Thought:

You must hear from people who are going there, not only those who have been there.

4. What Does Real Ministry Look Like?

What is real ministry to you?

Is ministry about titles, or transformation?

How do you serve people while honoring God?

Ministry is more than visibility — it is obedience, service, sacrifice, and impact.

5. Trusting God’s Direction

Following God is not a risk.

God’s direction is like a GPS: *Sometimes the route changes. Sometimes there are unexpected turns. Sometimes you must reroute. But when the destination is programmed correctly, the path will still lead you where you are supposed to be.*

Reminder:

God is programmed right. Trust His guidance, even when the journey looks unfamiliar.

6. Preparation for Greater Ministry

Before elevation comes preparation.

God develops:

Character before visibility

Faith before promotion

Discipline before influence

Your preparation season is not punishment, it is positioning.

7. Benefits of Ministry

What are the benefits of serving in ministry?

Spiritual growth, Purpose and fulfillment, Community and accountability, Opportunities to impact lives and Greater intimacy with God

When you follow the guidelines of purpose in ministry, God will sustain the journey.