

# MESSAGE DISCUSSION GUIDE

Whose Calling // Week 3 // Committed

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## ICEBREAKER

What is your favorite current tv show?

## KEY SCRIPTURE

**1 Timothy 4**

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

### Use it or Lose It - 1 Timothy 4:14

1. What is something you used to enjoy doing growing up, or as a child, that you don't do anymore? Do you think you could still pick it up, or have you lost it?
2. What is something that you feel you are gifted at or really enjoy? Have you ever used that talent to bless others? Discuss with your group different ways you might be able to benefit others through that ability, if you are not already doing so.

### 3. Throw yourself into serving - 1 Timothy 4:15

4. The Bible talks about being good stewards, using what we have been given wisely, with our time, money, possessions, talents. In which of these areas are you most likely to give and serve. In which area do you struggle the most?
5. As in so many things in life, we often just need a beginning, a first step. Has God been laying something on your heart that you need to just start in simple obedience? What is it? How do you plan to take a first step, and throw yourself in?
6. What does this verse claim as one of the when we throw ourselves into a task? Why might this be important?

### 7. Continue to Grow - 1 Timothy 4:16

8. Being a lifelong learner is so important. But learning the truth is sometimes hard to uncover. One area of truth we can turn to is God's word. What are some of the reasons we need to be rooted in Scripture?
9. How does God's word, as a timeless source of truth, act as an anchor for us in an ever changing culture who often sees truth as subjective rather than objective?

### 10. Love people deeply - 1 Corinthians 13:2

11. Not only do we root ourselves in God's word, we also root ourselves in love. Discuss as a group ways we can hold to God's word and it's values, without shaming or lacking mercy towards others?
12. Read Ephesians 3:17. Why is it important that we have our roots go down into Christ's love as a source to loving other most deeply?
13. How can our love for others affect our attitude towards unpleasant situations? Towards the way we serve?

## PRAYER

Pray for God's continued presence in your life as you seek to root yourself in His word and His love so that you can love others best, and serve them well.

## CHALLENGE

Take 10 minutes of your morning this week to start your day in God's word. Find an accountability partner from your group and text each other an encouraging reminder. You can even share one of the verses you read with one another!