

I. TEACHING NOTES

OPENING THOUGHT

My purpose is to _____ God.

My mission is _____ right now.

Week 1 I am who _____ says I am.

Week 2 God sees me in the _____ season.

Week 3 _____ prepares me for calling.

Week 4 Core Truth God uses _____.

Esther 2:7 (NIV)

“Mordecai had a cousin named Hadassah... whom he had brought up because she had neither father nor mother...”

Point 1 Who is _____ into your life

The right people help clarify Gods _____ for your life.

Proverbs 13:16 (NLT)

“Wise people think before they act; fools don’t—and even brag about their foolishness. It is pleasant to see dreams come true, but fools refuse to turn from evil to attain them.”

Proverbs 19-20 (NLT)

Walk with the wise and become wise; associate with fools and get in trouble.”

Who you _____ with matters.

Proverbs 27:17 NIV

“As iron sharpens iron, so one person sharpens another.”

Point 2 God uses _____ to

_____ calling

You are _____, _____, and _____.

Point 3 Relationships can _____ or

_____ calling.

1 Corinthians 15:33 (NIV)

"Do not be misled: 'Bad company corrupts good character.'"

Who are your...

Mentors:

Peers:

Assignments:

Point 4 You are also someone's_____.

2 Timothy 2:2 (NIV)

“Entrust to reliable people who will also be qualified to teach others.”

Whatever it is God has called you to in life is an

_____ to build _____.

Point 5 God positions_____ before
he positions_____.

God often answers _____ through _____.

Ecclesiastes 4:9-10 (NIV)

“Two are better than one... If either of them falls down, one can help the other up.”

Who do I need _____ me?

Who do I need to _____?

II. REFLECTION

1. Sunday Recap

Who encourages me toward God?

One truth I need to remember this week:

2. Relationship Audit

Who encourages me toward God?

Who consistently speaks truth into my life?

Who am I helping grow spiritually?

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3. Listen to God

“God, what are You saying to me about the people around me?”

4. Relational Audit

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| <input type="radio"/> Mentor | <input type="radio"/> Friend Group |
| <input type="radio"/> Peer | <input type="radio"/> Ministry Team |
| <input type="radio"/> Accountability Partner | <input type="radio"/> Assignment Relationship |
| <input type="radio"/> Spiritual Leader | <input type="radio"/> Boundary Needed |
| <input type="radio"/> Family Influence | |
| <input type="radio"/> Workplace Influence | |

III. READING PLAN

Day 1: Esther 2:7 + Proverbs 27:17

→ God uses people to sharpen us.

Day 2: Ruth 1:16–18

→ Faithful relationships shape our journey.

Day 3: Ecclesiastes 4:9–12

→ We are stronger together.

Day 4: Mark 3:13–19

→ Jesus intentionally chose people to walk with Him.

Day 5: 1 Corinthians 15:33 + Proverbs 13:20

→ Relationships influence direction.

Day 6: Hebrews 10:24–25

→ Encourage one another and stay connected.

IV. TAKE ACTION

Identify one relationship step for this week:

“God is asking me to strengthen my relationship with

_____ so that _____.”

Action Step

- Reach out to a mentor
- Encourage a peer
- Reconnect with someone
- Set a healthy boundary
- Begin accountability
- Invest in someone I influence

My action this week:

Prayer

Father, thank You for the people You have placed in my life. Help me recognize the relationships that strengthen my calling.

Give me wisdom to build healthy connections and courage to establish boundaries where needed.

Show me who I am called to influence and how to steward those relationships well.

Surround me with people who sharpen, encourage, and point me toward You.

For such a time as this.

In Jesus' name, Amen.

SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

Relationships & Influence

1. Mordecai's Influence

Mordecai played an important role in Esther's life.

Who has been a "Mordecai" for you—someone who encouraged, guided, or shaped your faith journey?

How did they impact your life?

2. Relationship Influence

The people around us often shape our direction. How have relationships positively or negatively influenced your faith, character, or decisions?

What qualities do healthy relationships have?

3. Mentors, Peers, and Assignments

Looking at the three categories (mentors, peers, and people you influence), which area is strongest in your life right now? Which area may need more attention?

Why?

4. Boundaries

Why do you think boundaries can be difficult to establish?

Is there a relationship where God may be asking you to create a healthier boundary?

5. Stewarding Influence

Where has God currently placed you to influence others (home, work, church, school, community, etc.)?

What would intentional influence look like this week?

WEEK 4 DECLARATION

I am who God says I am.

God sees me in the hidden season.

God is forming my character for my calling.

God has placed the right people in my life for this season.

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