



## G3 DISCIPLESHIP CLASS

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### Lesson 1 – Daring to Believe the God Who Calls You

*And we are confident in the Lord that you are doing and will continue to do the things we commanded you. May the Lord lead your hearts into a full understanding and expression of the love of God and the patient endurance that comes from Christ. ~ 2 Thessalonians 3-5*

*...being confident in this very thing, that He who has begun a good work in you will complete it until the day of Jesus Christ. ~ Philippians 1:6*

Reflection Thought: "Faith", it's just one word. It's only one word but sometimes it's easier said than done. Due to some circumstances happening in our lives, there are times that we accidentally or unknowingly lose our "faith". We now ask ourselves, "What happened to my faith?" Do I have daring faith? How do I grow in faith despite what's happening around me?"

*"I truly believe that everything that we do and everyone that we meet is put in our path for a purpose. There are no accidents; we're all teachers - if we're willing to pay attention to the lessons we learn, trust our positive instincts and not be afraid to take risks or wait for some miracle to come knocking at our door." - Marla Gibbs*

**Daring** - bold, having the courage to do something. **Greek** *dering*: boldness, spunk

**Believe** - accept something as true. **Greek** *pisteuo*: be convinced of something, give credence to personally appropriate as true.

- I. Use what you got!
  - (Re)Define your starting line. ***The starting line might not be where you think it is, because we don't get to draw it.***
  - Fresh year, Fresh chance to **step into** your "Called God Space" or **elevate** where you are in your journey to your "Called God Space".
  - Understand that we do have a race to run, but it is **not our** race to run **but His** race we are running. It's our story but it is His Glory. *Hebrews 12:1-2*
  - It's **God's job**, **God's strength**, **God's power**, and **God's grace** that actually gets the work done. *"Faith at its heart is about trust. It's one thing to believe in God; it's quite something else to trust him with our lives."* - Rick Perry
- II. Find your people.

*Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact that you are doing. ~ 1 Thessalonians 5:11*

  - Life is hard and loving others can sometimes be **messy**.
  - **Surround** yourself with those who will help you bring the most **Glory to God**.

- Your people should help you grow in **grace**, **truth** and **challenge** you with ideas and questions that move you out of your comfort zone.
- Never doubt that there are people already **listening to you**.

What if finding your people is less about being **comfortable** and more about **becoming** who God **created you to be**?

### III. Face your fears.

*I don't mean to say that I have already achieved these things or that I have already reached perfection. But I press on to possess that perfection for which Jesus Christ first possessed me. <sup>13</sup> No, dear brothers and sisters, I have not achieved it, but I focus on this one thing: Forgetting the past and looking forward to what lies ahead, <sup>14</sup> I press on to reach the end of the race and receive the heavenly prize which God, through Christ Jesus, is calling us. ~ Philippians 2:12-14*

- Move away from fears of **the past** and ask God to give you an **earnest desire** for what He has planned for your life Face your fears-

*"Faith activates God, fear activates the enemy." - Joel Olsten*

- Fight back from failure by **being honest** about of **bad choices**
- **Repent** to God about the sin of **disobedience**.
- Never forget that your **strengths, weaknesses and mishaps** are your story and were written for a purpose. *And we know that God causes everything to work together for the good of those who love God and are called according to his purpose for them. ~ Romans 8:28*
- Seek help for unhealed wounds. You will **repeat** what you don't **repair**, wounds we don't heal will **replicate**.
- **Partner** with the Holy Spirit to cast vision, to see visions, to dream **what can be**.

*Having faith in God did not mean sitting back and doing nothing. It means believing you would find success if you did your best honestly and energetically. - Ken Follett*

### Reflection Questions:

1. How does a woman identify if she has "got something" useful for God?
2. Why do you think it is sometimes hard for women to find "their people"?
3. How can I dare to believe when my faith is struggling?