Discussion Questions

INTRODUCTION

What if our response to God's calling depended solely on how we hear Him?

GETTING STARTED

1. What is one thing you wish people knew about you? What is one thing you are glad that only people close to you know about you?

BIBLE IDEA

- 2. Read Ephesians 4:1-6. List and discuss the five areas Paul identifies as instrumental when serving with others in our church as we answer our calling (vs. 2-3). Which one stands out to you and why?
- 3. Read 1 Samuel 3:1-10. What did Eli finally teach Samuel to do (vs. 8)? Do you think this principle applies today? Why or why not? What is the Lord calling on you to do today, and how are you responding?
- 4. Read Isaiah 6:5-8. Talk about Isaiah's response as compared to how you might answer God's call. What might be holding you back? What two key factors happened BEFORE the Lord gave Isaiah his calling (vs. 5-7)? How have you seen this happen in your personal journey with God?
- 5. Read 1 Peter 4:8-11. As a community, what are we called to do above all else, and why (vs. 8)? List and discuss the specific ways we are to love each other. What gifts are you ready to use to serve others within the Body of Christ?

NEXT STEPS

- 6. READ -- "What a gracious thing for us that Jesus Christ never thinks about what we have been. He always thinks about what we are going to be! The Savior who is our Lord cares absolutely nothing about your moral case history. He forgives it and starts from there as though you had been born one minute before." A.W. Tozer
 - a. What do you hear from the Lord, as you honestly consider the reality of His love for you?
 - b. Considering His love for you, what one action step will you take this week in your calling?