

# SMALL GROUPS

## Leader Conversation Guide – Chasing God’s Why

### Main Idea

This message challenges us to stop settling for less than God’s best by discovering and living out His unique purpose for our lives. Until we know *why* God put us on this planet, we can’t fully make the eternal difference we were created for. Using the four steps of our spiritual journey—**Belong, Believe, Become, Make a Difference**—Pastor Mack outlines how to identify and overcome the enemies of purpose (confusion, comparison, counterfeit pursuits) and embrace the ways God reveals His calling: from birth, through growing awareness, open doors, and life-changing encounters. God created you **on purpose for a purpose**, and true joy comes from chasing *His why* for your life.

### Make It Practical

- **BELONG** – Know God personally, not just in your head but in your heart. You belong to Him and to His family.
- **BELIEVE** – Put your faith in Jesus and find freedom from your past, habits, and shame.
- **BECOME** – Discover how God designed you, your spiritual gifts, and your passions so you can become who He created you to be.
- **MAKE A DIFFERENCE** – Use your gifts and calling to impact others for eternity.

### Enemies of Purpose

1. **Confusion** – Not knowing your gifts or role in the Body of Christ.
2. **Comparison** – Measuring your life against someone else’s highlight reel.
3. **Counterfeit** – Pursuing careers, possessions, or dreams outside of God’s calling.

## How God Reveals Purpose

1. **The Call from Birth** – A deep sense of calling from a young age (Jeremiah 1:4-8).
2. **Growing Awareness** – God shapes purpose through life’s twists and challenges (Genesis 50:20).
3. **Walking Through Open Doors** – Stepping into opportunities He places before you (Esther 4:14-16).
4. **A God Encounter** – Moments where God speaks clearly and redirects your life (Acts 9:1-6).

## Key Scripture

“You will show me the way of life, granting me the joy of your presence and the pleasures of living with you forever.”

— **Psalm 16:11 NLT**

## Talk About It

1. Which of the “four steps” (Belong, Believe, Become, Make a Difference) do you feel you are in right now?
2. Which enemy of purpose (confusion, comparison, counterfeit) do you struggle with most?
3. Have you ever had a moment you felt called from birth, grew in awareness, stepped through an open door, or had a God encounter? Share your story.
4. What unique gifts, talents, or passions has God placed in you that point toward your purpose?
5. What’s one step you can take this week to move closer to God’s “why” for your life?

## Prayer

Father, thank You for creating us on purpose for a purpose. Help us to see and embrace Your “why” for our lives. Remove confusion, comparison, and counterfeit pursuits. Reveal our calling through open doors, growing awareness, and encounters with You. Give us courage to step into the mission You’ve given us—to belong, believe, become, and make a difference for eternity. In Jesus’ name, Amen.

## Leader Tips

Purpose is deeply personal and sometimes intimidating to talk about. Encourage honesty and vulnerability. Remind your group that no one is “behind” if they are sincerely seeking God’s will. Share your own journey with finding your purpose—struggles and victories. Celebrate even small steps forward, and challenge everyone to take one clear next step this week toward living out God’s “why” for their life.