



The Biggest Story: Discovering Your Calling

Designing Your Life (Part 2)

Ephesians 3:1-13

PREPARE

What are your reflections from Mission's Week at Christ Church? What did you experience? Were there any "Aha!" moments for you?

OPEN

How do you understand the idea of "calling" in one's life?

Do you feel a deep sense of calling?

DISCUSS

Read Ephesians 3:1-13.

- How would you describe the vision of Paul for the gospel? The church?

In the sermon, Andy Crouch raises the question of the *bigness of our stories*. What does that mean to you? Would you say your story is too big, too small, or just right? Why?

What characterizes a story big enough to give your life too? What are the stories you see people pursuing today?

If someone were to ask you (your group), "What is the story of God?" How would you respond? Starting with Genesis, capture the big elements or ideas of God's story leading to the hope and work of the church?

We celebrate our missionaries (locally and those serving around the world) and remember the sacrifice, work, and joy they live every day in their kingdom calling. What we often miss, is that we too are living a story as the church, and we have been called into a great work...to be missionaries (in the work of God's mission).

- Is it strange to think of yourself as a missionary? Explain
- If being a missionary became part of your story, what would change in your ordinary days?

PRAY

Pray what comes to your mind for our missionaries.

Pray for your influence (and that of your group) as missionaries in God's story.

NEXT STEPS

Reflect on the story of your life. What are the big elements making up your story right now?

How will you edit your story to align with God's design of your life in His story?