# WHOLEHEARTEDNESS IN OUR VOCATIONS

One of the key tasks in our discipleship to Jesus is to discover and wholeheartedly live out our vocations.

### What is Vocation?

Vocation: Our response to God's call to love Him and love others through the unique circumstances of our lives.

#### 1. Vocation is a response to God's call

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Vocation isn't something we create, but something you're called to by God. It's not just about what you do, but who you do it with and who you're becoming in the process.

#### Providence vs. Self-Creation

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1 Corinthians 7:17

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Without deemphasizing the value of the Bible in knowing my calling, I have come to understand an even more basic place in which God's will for me has been communicated. That is in the givens of my being. My temperament, my personality, my abilities, and my interests and passions all say something about who I was called to be, not simply who I am. If I really believe that I was created by God and invited to find my place in his kingdom, I have to take seriously what God had already revealed about who I am.

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## The Paradox of Discovery:

We don't create our vocations, but we are invited to discover them However, each one must live his life in the situation the Lord assigned when God called him. This is what I command in all the churches...But if you can become free, by all means take the opportunity.

1 Corinthians 7:17, 21

Vocation is a response to God's call
 The purpose of vocation is neighbor love

Your every action must be done with love.

1 Corinthians 16:14

#### **Vocation Under the Curse**

# Redeeming Vocation

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Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, be steadfast, immoveable, always excelling in the Lord's work, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain.

1 Corinthians 15:58

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- 4. Discovery