

Stepping Into Your Calling

NOTE: GREAT ADVENTURE Update - This week includes Backyard Bible Clubs, Xtreme Adventure, and Special Needs Bible Club. The week finishes with SUMMERFEST. This is a great opportunity to jump in and serve as a Small Group, sign up here hcbc.com/servega

Scripture: 1 Kings 19; 2 Kings 2 and 5

Sermon Points:

Your divine calling is hard to miss, but easy to dismiss.

- 1. God interrupts your plans and calls you into His. (1 Kings 19, 2 Kings 2) Big Question: If God had "something greater" for you to do than what you're currently doing, what would you want that to be?
- 2. God calls out your pride and transforms you by grace. (2 Kings 5)

Group Opener

Do you agree with the thought "Your divine calling is hard to miss, but easy to dismiss"? Why or why not?

Discussion Questions:

- 1. God interrupts our "good life" to invite us into "something greater." What was Elisha's response to God's call in 1 Kings 19:21? Why do you think he did that?
- 2. In 2 Kings 2:9, Elisha boldly requested a "double portion" of Elijah's spirit and his request was granted. What bold request do you need to make of God?
- 3. In 2 Kings 5, Naaman had to be humbled before he could be healed. How might God be addressing pride in your life these days? How are you responding?
- 4. In Scripture, God's calling means His invitation to join Him in something. Do you know what your calling/purpose is?

 For all those who are still seeking this call please pray with them to find it and

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