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 1. I don't care who you are, how old you are, or what your skills are. GOD has DESTINY for you to do. You are a part of His plan at work here through FCFTucson. You are a part of His plan at work in our community and in your vocation.
 - B. Don't lose sight of the value and reality that GOD has something amazing for you to do. Calling – "*God's personal invitation for me to work on His agenda, using the talents I've been given in ways that are eternally significant.*" life@work magazine
- II. Eph 3:14-21 Living worthy of your calling/vocation sounds really difficult, but while praying for the church Paul reveals 8 ideas & truths to help you walk worthy of the calling to which you are called.
 - A. **#1 Maintain a Divine Perspective** It is time we stopped living life from earth to heaven, and instead SIMPLY live from heaven to earth. Eph 3:15, Eph 2:6, Jn14:12, Joshua 6
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 1. What have you been trying to do in your own strength? Quit it. You are not strong enough alone, but in Christ you can whoop any Giant. (David & Goliath.)
 - C. **#3 You are not alone** "Christ dwells in your heart through faith." Eph 3:17, Heb 13:5 He said He'd never leave you & He meant it.
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 1. Where you shop, live & work is the mission field. LOVE is what helps you see it that way. If we don't see it that way... then we

need to go back to the Gospel and take another dip in His grace and LOVE. Love is WHY we live.

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 2. Never underestimate what He has put in you – If/when you do... you overlook YOUR capacity. He is asking you to BUST out of the way you see yourself, break through the world's limitations and realize His Fullness in you.
 - H. **#8 God's dream is exceedingly abundantly bigger.** Eph 3:20 People can think of a lot of crazy stuff (look online), but God is beyond THAT. He has a dream for you that is bigger than yours.
 1. It is bigger than who you are, It's bigger than what you can dream. That means He is thinking about you!
 - III. He's put so much in YOU! Therefore walk worthy of that calling and vocation to which you have been called. PAUL begged the church in Ephesus to lead a life worthy of your calling, for you have been called by God, because he knew that when we come together and each of us LIVES worthy of the vocation to which we've been called, influencing those around us in every arena that it causes tremendous growth in the BODY! Eph 4:1, Eph 4:16
 - A. 1st and foremost to live life sold out to Christ in home, school, on the job, and in the market place. I'm here and Pastor Virgil is to serve you... we are not here to serve for you. I can't walk and do what you need to do to embrace your calling or live for HIM in your vocation, but I will help prepare you. We are here To equip, to train, to teach, to protect, to prepare you... so you can do the work of the ministry that you've been called to.
- Holy Spirit use me to make a difference in the world. Lord help me to be a vessel of love of light of hope and of life. Today I will make a difference in my home. This week I will make a difference in the lives of others, on the job, in my school and I will do something to impact my community.

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