

## Lesson 4:

# Called by Name

## God's Truth

The righteous person produces good fruit in their life.



### Vocabulary

- ◆ **Skill:** a talent or capability held by an individual
- ◆ **Purpose:** the goal a creator wants to accomplish with their creation



### Scripture Reading

But you are not like that, for you are a chosen people. You are royal priests, a holy nation, God's very own possession. As a result, you can show others the goodness of God, for he called you out of the darkness into his wonderful light. [1 Peter 2:9](#)

The Lord allowed King Eglon of Moab to conquer Israel after its people sinned against God. Eighteen years passed, and when the Israelites cried out to the Lord for deliverance, God called on a left-handed man named Ehud to rescue his people.

Ehud brought gifts to King Eglon, all the while hiding a short sword under his clothes on his right side. Because it was expected for warriors to carry their weapons on their left side, Ehud was able to enter the king's chambers without his true intentions being revealed. Once he was alone with the king, Ehud drew his hidden blade and stabbed Eglon in the stomach. He then escaped the palace and led an assault against the leaderless Moabites, freeing Israel from its oppressors. For the next eighty years, the children of Israel lived in peace and freedom. [Judges 3:12-30](#)

O LORD, you have examined my heart and know everything about me. You know when I sit down or stand up. You know my thoughts even when I'm far away. You see me when I travel and when I rest at home. You know everything I do. You know what I am going to say even before I say it, LORD. You go before me and follow me. You place your hand of blessing on my head. Such knowledge is too wonderful for me, too great for me to understand. [Psalm 139:1-6](#)

Oh, the joys of those who do not follow the advice of the wicked, or stand around with sinners, or join in with mockers. But they delight in the law of the LORD, meditating on it day and night. They are like trees planted along the river-bank, bearing fruit each season. Their leaves never wither, and they prosper in all they do. But not the wicked! They are like worthless chaff, scattered by the wind. They will be condemned at the time of judgement. Sinners will have no place among the godly. For the LORD watches over the path of the godly, but the path of the wicked leads to destruction. **Psalm 1:1-3**

### Needs in My Community

Take some time to make a list of the needs in your community in the space below:

### Next Steps/Life Work:

This week, take some time to think about your skills, talents, and abilities. After you've completed this list, begin thinking of ways you can use your skill set to impact the lives of those around you. This will give you insight into possible career paths and future ministry opportunities. If you struggle with determining what your skills or talents are, feel free to ask another student in our group; you will be surprised by how much potential others see in you!

Skills	Talents	Abilities