

# Called to Grow

## God's Truth

I am called to be an apprentice of Christ first and then of others.



### Vocabulary

- ◆ **Grow:** to develop in a way that increases one's capacity for work
- ◆ **Mentor:** someone of greater experience whose words and actions positively influence one's growth

And you should imitate me, just as I imitate Christ. **1 Corinthians 11:1**

### Choose Your Mentor Activity

Circle each example that better exemplifies the qualities of a helpful mentor. In the space below each example, describe why you made your decision.

**Imani** has been the owner of a painting company for 20 years. He is soft spoken, has a great reputation in the community, and always gets his work done on time.

**Jabari** just recently began painting houses. He boasts about the large amount of money he spent on his new equipment and has been known to double book his clients.

**Trisha** works as a freelance marketer. She kindly greets you every time she notices you and has spoken about career-building at your school.

**Amari** works as a marketer for a large corporation. His schedule is so busy that he rarely has the chance to spend the evenings with his family.

**Kofi** works for your local government. When he learns about your desire to serve in leadership, he tells you to lower your ambitions because you probably do not have what it takes to lead others.

**Zurri** is a town official. When she learns about your desire to serve in leadership, she shares her story of how she came from humble beginnings and the struggles she has faced in her journey.

## Next Steps/Life Work

1. Circle the areas where you are looking for mentorship:
  - Career/work
  - Spiritual
  - General (relationships, family, health, overall wellbeing)
2. Make a list of potential mentors: Even if you can't identify someone who is working in the field you want to work in, who shares your values and can speak into your life in positive ways?

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3. Write a few sentences explaining why you would like them to mentor you. What are you hoping you will learn?

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4. How will you let them know you would like them to mentor you?

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