LEADING TRANSFORMATION #18:  
UNDERSTANDING CALLING

We have completed the first of the 12Cs, which is CHARACTER FORMATION. The second 'C' has to do with CALLING.

What is CALLING? In order to understand calling it helps to differentiate it from what we mostly focus on, which is SUCCESS. Success is characterized by 5 Ps-Possessions, Position, Prestige, Power, Pleasure.

POSSESSION: When we seek to be defined by what we own.  
POSITION: When we seek to be defined by our positions in life.  
PRESTIGE: When we seek to be defined by our fame.  
POWER: When we seek to be defined by what we can control.  
PLEASURE: When we seek meaning through our sensual pleasures.

These 5 Ps do not provide true success. They also do not satisfy our deepest quest for meaning and significance in life.

An initial step in moving from success to calling, is to move from success to SIGNIFICANCE. Significance has to do with the sense of wanting to impact the lives and life-situations of others. At a higher level, significance has to do with the desire to leave a particular lasting LEGACY. It is when we are seeking what legacy we want to leave behind that we enter the arena of calling.

CALLING HAS TO DO WITH UNDERSTANDING, EMBRACING, AND FULFILLING THE PURPOSE FOR WHICH GOD UNIQUELY CREATED YOU.