

A WOMAN'S GUIDE TO OVERCOMING ADVERSITY  
AND LIVING WITH CONFIDENCE



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# SESSION TWO

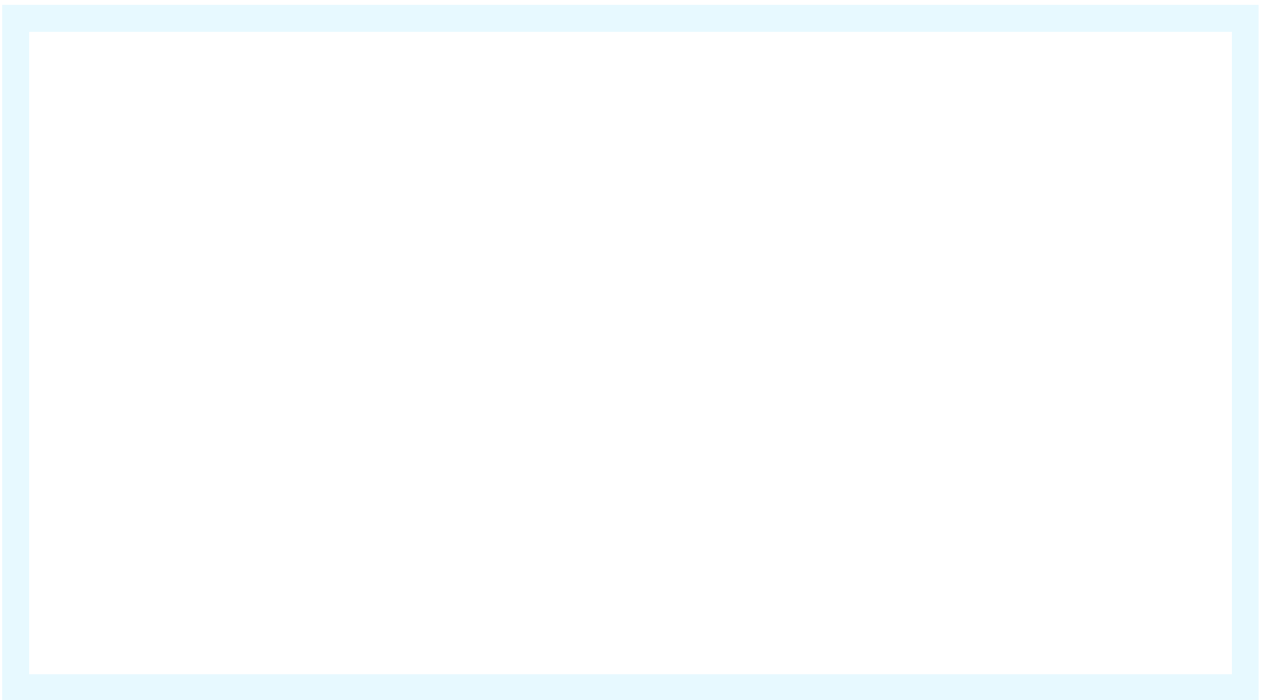
*Your life is part of a big beautiful story that you can't even begin to see the impact of. You may not know the full story until you're in heaven, when you discover how your work, your yeses, and your partnering with God changed the world.*

**You were created to partner with God by bringing his purposes to life in this world. The dream you have in your heart? He put it there because he chose you to partner with him to accomplish it. The skill and talent he gave you? They are there to fulfill his purposes on the earth through you.**

- The Bible is full of people partnering with God to fulfill God's purposes in the world. Read the following passages and reflect on or discuss how and whom God partnered with. Who or what is God transforming?  
Genesis 1 and 2  
Exodus 3
- Share or write about a time with you partnered with God to accomplish a dream. How was it different than a time when you had a loner mind-set?

**Partnership brings something new to life: a baby, a business, a book, a community group, or an herb garden on your kitchen windowsill. God cares about the big and the little, the grand and the plain, the seen and the hidden.**

- Do you believe that God is interested in both the big and the little, the grand and the plain, the seen and the hidden? It is easy to think of God being concerned with the big, grand, and seen.
- How can you trust God with the little, plain, and hidden? Share or write how you might you partner with him this week in those areas in your life.



- What fears or insecurities are keeping you from partnering with God? Share them with the group or with a friend sometime this week. Take the time to pray over each one with someone else and ask someone to check-in with you this week and hold you accountable. You can check-in with them as well!
- Remaining in relationship with God is the key to bearing much fruit (John 15). Have you seen this in your own life? Think about how working on your relationship with God could get you closer to your calling.

**It's not your job to convince the world that your calling is real. It's your job to say yes and march with confidence into your divine destiny.**

- Have you felt unsupported in your calling? What kind of spirit did that create within you? How could you begin to trust God in your calling despite of what others around you may say?
- Write down three tangible ways that you could be supported as you go after your goals. Share them with your book study group or a trusted friend. Find a way to support each other as you pursue your callings.

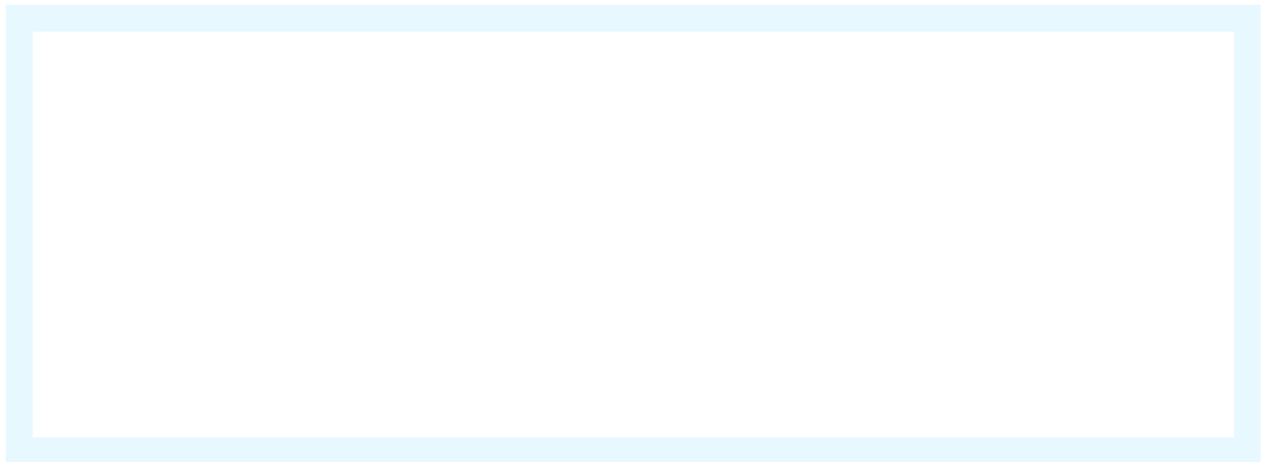
## **Reflection:**

What would a partnership with God look like in your life? How have you partnered with God in the past? In what ways have you gone it alone? Take a moment to really lean into what partnering with God in the pursuit of your calling would look like.

## **Action Steps:**

Trust is the foundation of a healthy partnership. Ask God to reveal areas in which you have trusted yourself or others instead of trusting fully in him. Repent and invite him to be your source of strength in those areas.

Write down the comments from others that surface in your mind when you try to step forward into your calling.



Read the comments you wrote down and consider the following-

Is there a theme?

Do you dwell mostly on negative comments?

Do you remember the praise as clearly as the criticism?

Ask God for wisdom on how to receive praise and respond to criticism and doubts.

Pray and ask God to fill your heart with his truth today!