



Calling NOW

30 Video Experiences

User Guide

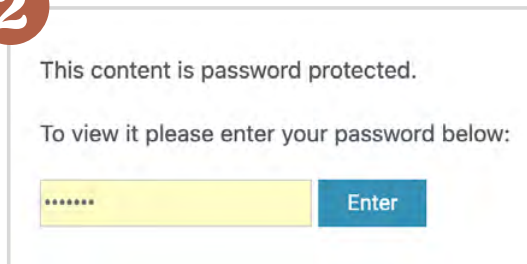
ACCESSING CallingNOW

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1. Navigate to the url **vibrantfaith.org/callingnow** from any web browser or tablet.

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2. Enter the password **callingnowvproject** to unlock the page content.

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3. You can also download a PDF of each devotional text.

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All people are on a quest to answer these universal questions: *Who am I? What's my purpose in life?*

Our Vibrant Faith team has developed these story-based CallingNOW devotional experiences to help both youth and adults deeply explore God's answers to these questions in their lives. These experiences are flexible—easy to use either online or in person. And they are expertly designed to help people develop deeper connections with God...

Here you will find 30 story-videos exploring the many facets of CALLING from 30 diverse voices. We created them so that you and your church can explore this rich-but-misunderstood theme embedded in the Christian faith.

This is CALLING as it is meant to be explored, through the stories of our lives.

These 30 stories will resonate with you. The videos will engage and carry you. The accompanying Scripture passages and insightful questions will catalyze great conversations among youth and adults—about God's movement in their lives, and the way God wants to infuse their everyday life with purpose. And they will help you and your people think about CALLING in ways that are new to you.

- You can use them as group or personal devotions.
- You can build them into your worship experience.
- You can use them as Bible studies.
- You can use them as prayer experiences.
- You can use them as a small-group curriculum.

CallingNOW is a resource developed by Vibrant Faith leaders working with the Called to Lives of Meaning and Purpose Initiative, funded by the Lilly Endowment.

Vibrant Faith developed these devotional experiences so that you and your people will:

- Explore their callings in daily life.
- Discern God's callings *in the process of transition*.
- Make connections between Scripture and God's callings.
- Hear an explanation of God's call through a great diversity of voices.
- Have conversations about calling among people within and beyond your church walls.
- Find new ways to express or live out their callings in and beyond the church.
- Share stories and build stronger bonds of community.
- Benefit from building a community around calling themes.

We have found these to be a great tool for:

- Sharing with families to use as easy, no-prep devotions!
- Asking people to partner for conversations.
- Organizing these video experiences for a Sunday school class or other small-group format.
- Using CallingNOW as a hybrid-model, combining in-person and virtual participants.

Now that you've purchased your access to CallingNOW, here are the details about how to deliver it. You can...

- Use the link for each devotion to project the video and experience to your people.
- Share the links on Zoom or by email or text-message.
- Download the text for each experience (without the video), to reference the reflections, prayers, and questions—or to edit these guides to fit your theme or context.

You could also:

Send out the links as a daily or weekly devotion. Ask people to sign up to receive a daily or weekly CallingNow devotion. You'll need to arrange for them to register, and to push out the devotions to registrants or post them on social media.

Weave these experiences and videos into your worship experiences, involving the whole congregation.

Share the links and content in sermons, children's sermons, prayers of the people, Sunday school classes, and weekly Bible studies.

How will you build feedback by participants in, so they can let you know what they are learning through this material?

Create an opportunity to discuss your CallingNOW experiences in a larger setting. Perhaps you would like to host debrief sessions for shared reflections, or you can always encourage feedback virtually via social-media platforms.

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CallingNOW FAQs:

If I want to share CallingNOW with my community, do I need to purchase a copy for each participant?

NO! You only need to purchase CallingNOW one time!

Can we share CallingNOW via Facebook, text, email, or other digital way?

YES! Share the password securely with your community and share the link in whichever manner works best for your communications context, whether it's via email, social media, text, or more. You only need one password!

What about copyrights and other permissions?

All copyrights and permissions were secured during the production of CallingNOW and include the ability for you to share with your community as you see fit.

How do I best use CallingNOW?

CallingNOW is a versatile resource. Here's a few ways that we see it working across the various modes of worship:

- In-Person contexts: Share a hard copy of the discussion questions, prayers, and devotions, and watch the video together in person.
- Hybrid contexts: Share the link to the video and the PDF with discussion questions, prayers, and devotions, then gather safely in person to discuss and grow.
- Fully digital contexts: Share the link to video and the PDF however it best suit suits your communication style. Participants can watch and reflect individually, then jump into a digital chat, group, or other digital forum for discussion and growth. On-the-go options we like besides plain old group texts include WhatsApp, GroupMe, or Vibr. Your church software might also have group communication options (check with your provider)

Can I share CallingNOW?

We created CallingNOW for churches and ministry leaders to share with their congregations and ministries. We want everyone who engages in it to enjoy it and come to know and act on God's calling in their life. We kindly ask that you only share CallingNOW in your own ministry context. If you know of someone outside your context who would benefit from CallingNOW, please refer them to our CallingNOW webpage so they can purchase their own experience.