

Making an impact in our world through education and vocation January 27, 2019

OPEN

Who has come to worship with us today? Our young adults are here today to share with us what God is doing in their hearts and lives through their educational and vocational pursuits. God has designed for us to make an impact in our world in the area of learning and working.

Cornerstone is called to impact our world by living and sharing the life of Jesus!

DIG

Read and reflect upon the spiritual development of Timothy as outlined by Paul in II Timothy 1:1-10.

What were the core components of faith development included in this passage?

How did Paul continue the work of disciple making in Timothy?

There are many spiritual challenges facing youth who are transitioning into adulthood – especially those who study in a post-secondary institution. The *Renegotiating Faith* report, produced by the Evangelical Fellowship of Canada offers hope.

The report's good news is that spiritual outcomes are significantly improved if

• postsecondary students find a faith group with a month of starting their postsecondary studies,

- a mentor keeps in touch with them through the summer after high school and well into October of the next year, or
- that mentor personally introduces them to a faith group in their new home and assists in negotiating a role in that group.

In other words, our youth who are transitioning into adulthood need mentoring and community. As one report author states, "religious identity needs a religious community to mature in".

What kind of community and mentoring are we providing for young adults at Cornerstone?

REFLECT

Why should we care about the vocational journey of our young adults? The reason is that their impact in this world will flow from their identity in Christ. God is keenly interested that our young adults discover His design for their lives and their contribution to the Kingdom of God.

The place God calls you to is the place where your deep gladness and the world's deep hunger meet.

~ Frederick Buechner

How did Jesus develop the young adults who followed Him? He constantly sought to reproduce His life in His disciples. Jesus skillfully used mentoring and community to develop disciples who in turn would make other disciples.

One must decide where he wants his ministry to count – in the momentary applause of popular recognition or in the reproduction of his life in a few chosen men who will carry on his work after he has gone. Really it is a question of which generation we are living for.

~ Robert Coleman

LINKS TO ONLINE RESOURCES

Renegotiating Faith Article

Renegotiating Faith Report

Trinity Western University

Columbia Bible College

Pacific Life Bible College