

Ambition

Resources for further study

14 April 2009

Scripture

Read Ecclesiastes and Philippians

Questions

What questions come out of your reading? Discuss them with someone .

Further Reading

The Call: Finding and Fulfilling the Central Purpose of Your Life by Os Guinness

Courage and Calling: Embracing Your God-Given Potential by Gordon Smith

Listening to God in Times of Choice: The Art of Discerning God's Will by Gordon Smith

Disciplines/Exercises

Prayer of Examen

Finding the movement of the Spirit in our daily lives as we review our day.

Recognize the presence of God

Be still and know that you are with God.

Look at your day with gratitude

Acknowledge God in the big and small things of life.

Review your day

When or where in the past 24 hours did you feel you were cooperating most fully with God's action in your life? When were you resisting?

Ask yourself

- What habits and life patterns do I notice?
- When did I feel most alive? Most drained of life?
- When did I have the greatest sense of belonging? When did I feel most alone?
- When did I give love? Where did I receive love?
- When did I feel most fully myself? Least myself?
- When did I feel most whole? Most fragmented?

Reconcile and Resolve

Seek forgiveness

Ask for direction

Share a concern

Express gratitude

Resolve to move forward