

## Discovery Reflections:

I had a vague idea of what I was getting myself into when I signed up for Discovery at the suggestion of my fellow Discoverer and mentor. She asked me if I would accompany her. Inside, something nudged me forward. I was on the hinder part of experiencing some of life's excruciating events and a time of big change. Through it all, intimacy with God seemed so much deeper, but surrounding me were accusations, condemnations and so many other voices that created a seemingly impenetrable fog of questions. Through it all, I had (and still may) more questions than answers. At Discovery, I was given a bird's eye view of my spiritual life. It gave me perspective (first order of calling) and a point of reference (Mansions). The fog lifted that weekend as I stepped back and saw where I was, where I had come from and where I desperately longed to go. I had never been given a picture quite so clear as this. I gained perspective as I live life every day. In the questions, discussions and decisions, I ask myself where this falls in light of God's call on my life. It gives order of importance to so many things.

I came away with more clarity of sight. I came away with desire to continue building upon and also protecting my time with God. My mind was spinning at how I would do this and what changes I would make in my life. Where could I find accountability? So to begin, I could only pray for God to help me put these changes into shoe leather and carve them into the very minutes of my daily life.

And I am excited to see God Himself hearing and honoring my requests. First, seemingly out of nowhere, a group of girls from my church emerged with a desire to form an accountability group. It is open to all the single girls and quite optional. The focus and goal is that we get together weekly or bi-monthly at the least, to talk about where we are at, our triumphs, failures and our goals for the week ahead.

I have been through enough classes and seminars to know that if it doesn't make a difference in your every day life and your relationship with God, it may be (tho God's Word doesn't return void) for naught!

Thank you for being a vessel of God's glory and investing that in so many souls. I noted that self did not get in the way. I saw Christ, the shape of a cross, in the leaders at Discovery through broken vessels, not shined and whitened sepulchers.

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