I. WHO AM I? - IDENTITY & WHY AM I HERE? - PURPOSE

- A. Our purpose is not something we do but a person we become.
- B. Acts 26:12-18

II. <u>1 Peter 4:7-10</u>

- A. <u>Serious</u> *sophroneo* Sound mind, reason or think sensibly w/ good judgment.
- B. <u>Watchful</u> *nepho* Not drunk; Free from the influence of intoxicants
 - 1. <u>Intoxicants</u> Things that would numb or desensitize us to spiritual things.
 - 2. **Rom 8:5-6**
- C. **Fervent** *ektenes* Intent; without ceasing, intentional; to extend out of, originate.
- D. <u>Cover</u> *kalupto* To cause something not to be known; to hide, to keep secret, to conceal
- E. <u>Hospitable</u> *philoxenos* A generous, friendly welcome to guests
- F. Grumbling goggusmos To complain or express discontent
- G. Each one hekastos Each one of a whole in a distributive sense
- H. Gift charisma A grace gift; A Divine endowment, gift from God!
 - 1. The source of our gift The originator
 - 2. The value of our gift God doesn't make junk
 - a) Rom 11:29 29 For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable.
 - (1) <u>Calling</u> *klesis* An invitation
 - (2) <u>Irrevocable</u> *ametameletos* Not feeling regret or sorry.
- I. <u>Received</u> *lambano* To take for oneself, to seize, grab or take possession of.
 - a) Willing acceptance and engagement not a passive reception
 - b) Your experience with God will only be limited by your pursuit of God!
- J. **Minister** *diakoneo* An attendant or servant.
- K. <u>Manifold</u> *poikilos* Variety of kinds
- L. <u>Stewards</u> *oikonomos* one who has the authority and responsibility for something one who is in charge of, administrator, manager
- M. Oracles of God To say what God says
- N. Ability ischus Strength, force and capability provided by God
- O. <u>Supplies</u> To make available whatever is necessary to supply the needs of; provision, support.
 - 1. <u>Matt 25:14-30</u> Ex: Story of the talents!

a)	Matt 25:14 14 For the kingdom of heaven is like a man traveling to a far country, who called
	his own servants and delivered <u>his goods</u> to them.