

## **TALK IT OVER GUIDE- I Can Too**

## Key Takeaways:

- God has a plan for everyone, even those the world overlooks or deems unworthy.
- Our current struggles and challenges may be God's way of preparing us for future purposes.
- Obedience, preparation, and testing open doors for God's calling in our lives.
- Character development is crucial in God's preparation process.
- The "mountain" experiences in our lives, though difficult, can be transformative.

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## **Discussion Questions:**

- Pastor Nicholas shared about David's time as a shepherd. How do you think this seemingly mundane job prepared David for his future role as king?
- Have you ever felt overlooked or underestimated like David? How did that experience shape your faith or character?

- The sermon emphasized that "God is with you in every place where you are." How does this truth impact your perspective on current challenges you're facing?
- Pastor Nicholas said, "The battle produces faith." Can you share an example from your own life where a struggle strengthened your faith?
- How does the idea that we are "being formed, not punished" during difficult times change your outlook on personal trials?
- The sermon highlighted David's time alone with God on the mountain.

  How can we create "mountain experiences" in our busy lives to connect with God?
- Pastor Nicholas shared his personal journey of faith and ministry. What aspects of his story resonated with you the most?
- How does understanding that we're in God's "process" help us persevere through uncertain or challenging times?

## **Practical Applications:**

- This week, identify your current "mountain" a challenging situation or area of growth in your life. Spend time in prayer, asking God to reveal how He might be using this to prepare you for future purposes.
- Create a daily "secret place" time with God, even if it's just 10-15 minutes. Use this time for prayer, worship, or reflection on Scripture.
- Write a letter to your future self, expressing faith in God's preparation process and the growth you hope to see.
- Reach out to someone in your life who may feel overlooked or underestimated. Offer encouragement and remind them of God's love and purpose for their life.
- Reflect on past challenges you've overcome. Journal about how those experiences shaped your character and faith, preparing you for where you are now.
- Practice reframing difficult situations this week. Instead of asking "Why
  me?", try asking "What are you teaching me, God?" or "How might this
  prepare me for the future?"