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# ***RECOGNIZING A CALL***

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## **Episode Description**

Believe it or not, there is a growing shortage of pastors and other professional ministry leaders in the North American church. Once upon a time, youth often came to a realization of a call to ministry at outdoor ministry events. Today, however, for whatever reason, it's not as "cool" to become a minister. Therefore, it's become critical for those of us in the church to recognize God's calling on those around us. In this episode, Drs. Kris and Bill share insights on how your church can help identify future ministers. With special guest Fran Schnarre, president of the Mid-America Center for Ministry (<http://midamericacenterforministry.com/>)

## **Discussion Questions**

1. What do you think a "call" to ministry means?
2. "Who" is called into ministry? Just pastors or just professionals or ???
3. Has someone in your church been identified as having a call? How did that happen?
4. Discuss some of the "signs" you could look for to discern if someone has a call to professional ministry.