

A black and white photograph of two hikers with large backpacks walking across a snowy mountain ridge. A bright sun flare is visible behind the hiker in the foreground, creating a silhouette effect. The sky is cloudy, and the mountain slopes are visible on either side.

# THE ADVENTUROUS SPIRIT

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# Session One

## The Adventurous Spirit

### Embracing Your Future With Courage



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**God, who got you started in this  
spiritual adventure, shares with us  
the life of his Son and our Master  
Jesus. He will never give up on you.  
Never forget that. (1 Corinthians 1:9 Message)**



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# Frenchman's Cap Tasmania

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# On the Summit

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**Edwin H  
Friedman**

**The Stuck-ness  
of Civilization**

**Beyond the  
Gridlock.....**

**STARTS WITH  
YOU**



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## God got you started.... The critical notion of 'calling'

- Called to do what?
- Beyond *Synagogal Atrophy*
- Beyond *Professional Posture*
- Beyond the *Humdrum of Activity*
- Beyond *Unhealthy Driven-ness*

**CALLED** for life... *'By his divine power, God has given us everything we need for living a godly life. We have received all of this by coming to know him, the one who called us to himself by means of his marvelous glory and excellence.'* (2 Peter 1:3)





## Leadership Proximity

### Who can you learn from?

- Anxiety around next season
- Self-differentiated – defines our growth journey
- Metaphor – your unique shape
- Intentional positioning – who in the world vs next conference that I attend.
- Proximity – Capacity for the soul
- Leadership is authentic influence that creates value. (K

Cashman)





## Boundless Praying & Serendipitous Adventure

- Petition and Prayer
- Serendipity - an aptitude for making desirable discoveries by accident.
- 10 year horizons – where do you need to go?
- Sabbatical – Input and breath





## Personal Application Facing Leviathan

‘When church leaders reject the culture of distraction, they must encounter the pain and brokenness that was present all along—drowned out by reality TV, social networking, and the constant hum of advertising.’ – Mark Sayers

*‘If you want to build a ship, don’t drum up the people to gather wood, divide the work, and give orders.  
Instead, teach them to yearn for the vast endless sea’.*  
– Antoine De Sainte-Exupery,

*‘That the powerful play goes on, and you might contribute a verse’.* –  
Walt Whitman



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