

- NEW LENSES -

A FRESH LOOK AT MINISTRY

Bruce Cairnie

ISAIAH 43:16, 18-19

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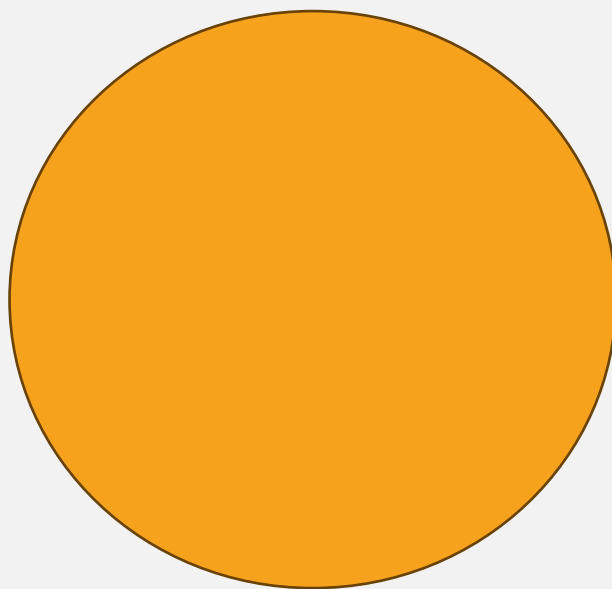
REFLECTING TOGETHER

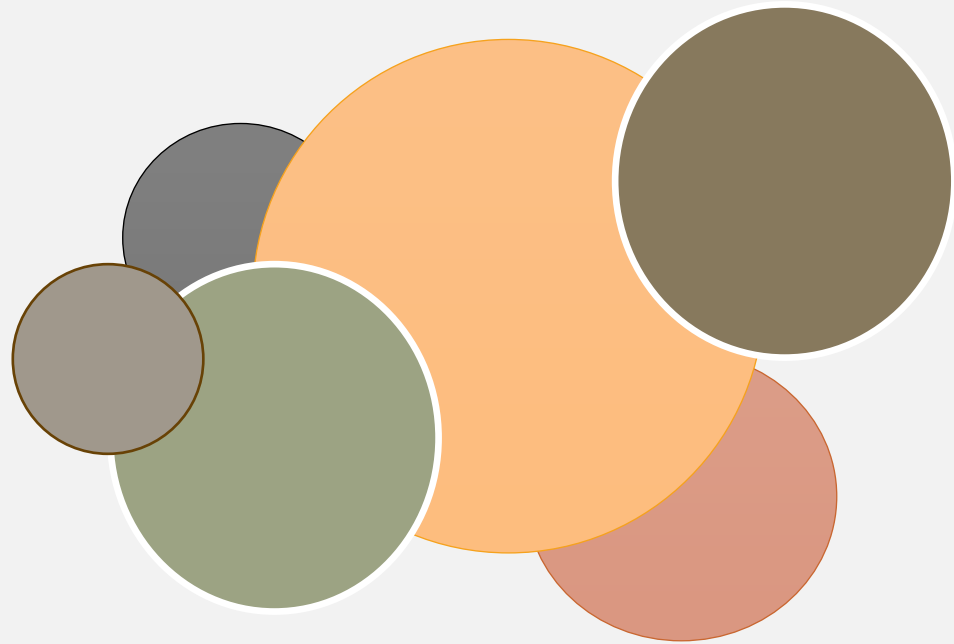
- Theology to understand “calling” while in transitions
- Psychology to inform us in transition
 - Growth mindset
 - Identity foreclosure



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WHEN WE ARE GROWING UP





COMMIT TO A GROWTH MINDSET

- Carol Dweck,
Psychologist,
Stanford University
- What moves people
to reach for a goal?
- What role does
mindset have in
achievement?





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Dweck's basic question:

What are the consequences of thinking that your intelligence or personality is something you can develop, as opposed to something that is a fixed, deep-seated trait?

GUARD AGAINST IDENTITY FORECLOSURE

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GUARD AGAINST
IDENTITY
FORECLOSURE

“a psychological phenomenon whereby individuals prematurely commit to a particular (usually familiar old) identity or role without exploring other possibilities. This can manifest as an unwillingness to step outside their comfort zone or relinquish control.”

Or, more simply,

“the act of settling in a choice and losing years of our lives to that one decision because of our inability to re-think our plans.”

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You can navigate the transition presenting itself

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