DEVOTION
Session One

Scripture:
1 Peter 2:9-10

Song:
“We Are Marching” (TFWS #2235b)

Reading: Ministry for All

Who is a “minister”?
Pastors
They practice the ministry of identity.
Their work is among believers, as internists in Christ’s body.
They are called to teach me about my potential in Christ.
I need this ministry to prevent amnesia—
that disease of the mind that causes me to forget who I am as a Christian.

I am a minister too!
I practice the ministry of vitality.
My work is in the world, as a farmer, a soldier, an ambassador;
I am called to be salt, light, and leaven in a sick and broken world—
Monday through Saturday.
The world needs this ministry to protect it from anemia—
that disease of the blood that slowly robs the system of its health.
All Christians are in ministry!
(Pete Hammond, Lessons, Prayers & Scriptures on the Faith Journey [Intervarsity/USA Marketplace], 72.)

Prayer:
I have heard your call to priesthood, my Lord. I have heard your call to be in mission and ministry.
Thank you for calling me out of darkness into your marvelous light.
May I declare your praises in all that I am and in all that I do! Amen.

CLOSING PRAYER
Teach me to do your will, for you are my God.
Let your good spirit lead me on a level path. Amen.
(Psalm 143:10)