

...and let us consider how to stimulate one another to love and good deeds, not forsaking our own assembly together...but encouraging one another.  
 Heb 10:24-25

Share the teaching  
 Guard the sharing

# Male Call

## October 17, 2008—The Second Half of Life—Part 1

6:00 – 6:05	Coffee & Donuts Opening Prayer
6:05 – 7:00	<p>1) The Second Half of Life (part One of Two)</p> <p>Vaclav Havel: “The real test of a man is not when he plays the role that he wants for himself, but when he plays the role destiny has for him.”</p> <p>George Bernard Shaw</p> <p>Matthew 13:5-9 The 100 Fold Life          Some fell on rocky places, where it did not have much soil. It sprang up quickly, because the soil was shallow. But when the sun came up, the plants were scorched, and they withered because they had no root. Other seed fell among thorns, which grew up and choked the plants. Still other seed fell on good soil, where it produced a crop—a hundred, sixty or thirty times what was sown. He who has ears, let him hear."</p> <p>2) Group Talk</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. What contributes to the so called “Mid Life Crisis”?</li> <li>b. What are the consequences of leaving this condition un-confronted?</li> </ol> <p>3) Table talk</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Which of the Five Tensions tends to take you out most often?             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Serving God vs. Serving Mammon</li> <li>ii. Love vs. Competition</li> <li>iii. People Needs vs. Profit Obligations</li> <li>iv. Family vs. Work</li> <li>v. Keeping your Ethical Convictions vs. Being Accepted</li> </ol> </li> <li>b. How would you describe the difference between striving for ‘Success’ or ‘Significance’ in your life?</li> </ol> <p>4) Can you draw a picture for me?</p>
	Closing Prayer

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Further reading:

- *The Bible*
- Jerry White. 1997. *Dangers Men Face*. Navpress; Colorado Springs.
- Bob Buford. 1994. *Halftime*. Harper Collins/Zondervan; Grand Rapids, MI.
- John Grey. 1992. *Men are from Mars, Women are from Venus*. Harper Collins; NY, NY.