

It's God's Call

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1. How are perceptions of a woman in ministerial leadership different from perceptions of a woman CEO in the business world?
2. How much progress do you see in terms of acceptance of women as ordained ministers in the past forty years?
3. There's a presumption that becoming a senior pastor is the epitome of success, yet several of the women in this story defined their call as specifically in staff ministry, missions, or youth. Do you think it's easier for a female to live into these varied roles of ministry than a male? Why or why not?
4. Were you surprised by the numbers of women ordained on page 32? What other statistics do you think would help tell the story?
5. What is your response to those who still do not support the ordination of women?