

Journey of Empowerment (or JOE) is a spiritual and strategic experience. Go through JOE and find that God's pathway for influencing change in your context is not what you might have expected. On the journey, you will discover your role and learn how to make a difference with others in community. JOE uses a fun mix of experiential learning activities, Scripture reading, and discussion to help stewards live out their true identity and stay on track together with standards and accountability. It's a life-changing journey for small or large groups that has impacted people from all around the world. Get ready for the adventure of a lifetime. Flip this page to get an overview of JOE. Visit our website to watch a video from the creators of JOE. Sign up to bring JOE to your context.







# JOE Overview: Four Stages



### YOU MATTER

The first step to changing your world is understanding your identity in Christ. But how? It starts with looking at God's initial design for you and factors from your childhood and context that reinforce or destroy that identity. By doing fun group activities and learning how your identity is restored in Christ, you discover that you are special. You matter!

#### YOU ARE PART OF SOMETHING BIGGER

On this stage you find your part in God's bigger picture. Sound exciting? It is! But to do this, you must consider first where your heart is and where you search for meaning in life. From the biblical story of Esther, you learn a practice that helps you set aside your desires in order to grasp God's plan and unique purpose for you.





#### WE CHOOSE GOD'S PATH TOGETHER TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE

God wants you to bring blessing to the brokenness around you, but you cannot change the world by yourself. So, what should you do? From the biblical example of Ezra, discover another practice that helped him chart a new course with and for His people. Do it with others and watch God work.

#### WE HOLD EACH OTHER ACCOUNTABLE TO STAY ON TRACK

On the last leg of the journey you realize the end is only the beginning. You also find that you were never meant to go at it alone. What God desires for you and me is to follow His standards together. This lesson offers another practice to help each of us do this. And, thankfully, biblical characters like Nehemiah, Jesus, and Paul model the way.



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