# **Oakley Breakout Session: Not Currently Leading**

It all starts with you.

#### I am the Project.

What God is going to do through you, He first will do in you. This time before leading or in between leading matters. God is going something in you now and you can make the most of this time.

Start by looking at your relationships and your calendar.

# **UP/IN/OUT**

**UP is your relationship with God.** What does your time with Him look like? Are you deepening in intimacy? Listening for His voice? Spending time with Him?

**IN is your relationship with other believers**. Are you vulnerable with the people in your life? Do they hold you accountable and encourage you to grow? Do you have fun together?

**OUT is your relationship with those who don't know Jesus.** Are you comfortable sharing your faith? Are you practicing hospitality with your neighbors or people in your networks?

And by asking God where he wants you to focus your growth.

## How We Grow Spiritually

There's a process we all grow through as we deepen our relationship with God.

**Seeking.** This is when we're asking questions, searching for something. We're open to God, but aren't full sold.

**Receiving.** This is when we believe Jesus is who he said he is. That he died for our sins. In this phase, we're being rooted in God's character and our identity in Him. We're learning skills and disciplines, deepening our trust so we can move into obeying God.

**Following.** This is when we stop negotiating with God. Not that we're perfect, but when He speaks, we're quick to move and surrender our lives to Him.

**Producing.** The Fruit of the Spirit is evident in our lives, and we're reproducing our faith in others, living out the Great Commission.

Spend time with God to find out where to focus your growth by experiencing Wayfinder.

## You are a leader.

Leading others isn't one size fits all. As you look to disciple someone, consider your role.

You can be a guide. You offer guidance based on what looks like Jesus.

**A model.** This is where your walk meets your talk. You give people access to your life so they can see your faith in action.

**Or a parent.** You take more responsibility and have a vision for your "kid" to become a spiritual parent one day themself.

## Just take one step.

What's one thing God is doing in you? Which part of UP/IN/OUT comes most naturally? Which is the most challenging? What is the one thing you need? To lead someone? To be led?