THE FYI ON YOUTH MINISTRY

EPISODE 10 | Investing in young adult leaders

"To young adult ministry leaders I'd say, 'make your voice become *louder* and *clearer*!' I find that a lot of people in their twenties are pretty passionate, but much of their twenties is to begin to articulate: why am I passionate about it? And then sometimes I think emerging adults can be *clear*, but not *loud*. I think in our twenties we don't necessarily feel confident that we can speak our truth. So sometimes we need to just turn up the volume a little bit."

STEVE ARGUE

No matter what your age, the following prompts can be useful as you reflect on how you want to mature and develop through the next decade of your life, and how you can support growth in those around you.

- 1. Find half a day, or a few hours, sometime this week to get away from distractions and reflect on these questions. Keep track of your ideas in a way that works for you so that you can look back on these reflections sometime in the future.
 - How can I clarify my voice? What do I really want to speak toward in my life and in the realm of youth ministry?
 - Where am I in my faith journey? At this moment, what do I need to unpack, let go of, or lean into?

2. Whether you are younger or more seasoned, the youth pastor role often involves mentoring or leading other young adults. As you think about the young adults that you pastor, lead, or mentor, which young adults could benefit from encouragement to become clearer? Which young adults need encouragement to become louder? How can you support each of these young people on this journey?