

THE CALL OF GOD - PART 2

The call of God is not a call to an occupation, it is not a call to a destination.

The call of God is, first and foremost, a call to relationship with Him.

The call of God is also a call to integrity and a call to praise.

Integrity means doing what is right no matter what.

Praise is to have a relationship with God, walking in obedience to Him and, out of that, telling others what God is doing in your life.

All teams, as well as individuals, have strengths and weaknesses.

Another term for weakness is shortcoming, which is a fault or a failure to meet a certain standard.

We can fall short in many areas; physically, in appearance, mentally, emotionally, etc.

Our shortcomings do not disqualify us from the call of God on our lives.

The call of God most always involves doing something for someone else.

What are you called to do?

You might be called to preach, even if it's not from behind a pulpit.

You might be called to teach, to serve as a youth pastor, a Sunday School teacher, a children's church teacher, etc.

We are all called to serve, to give, and to rescue.

Your call has something to do with God using you to bring people out of something.

Bringing people out of sin, out of pain, out of depression, or poverty, or darkness, this is the call of the church.

We are the church.

We can come up with all kinds of excuses, like Moses did, not to do our calling.

We are too busy, too overwhelmed, too young, too old, not a "people" person, not eloquent of speech.

Our shortcomings can paralyze us with fear.

God is not going to change His call on your life to fit your insecurity.

But He is willing to help change you.

God will be with you in your weaknesses, don't let them stop you.

Stop focusing on your weaknesses and start focusing on God and what He has called you to do.

Do not keep going over old history, be alert, be present.

God will make a way where there seems to be no way.

1. Focus on God's ability, not your lack of ability.

God will take your weaknesses and make them a strength.

God may have allowed that weakness so you would have to depend upon Him.

God is not looking for people who think they can do it.

The strength of man is foolishness to God.

2. Focus on God's desire to bless.

It is God's desire to bless you, to love you, to heal you, to strengthen you.

We need to believe that God is not only able, but that He desires to bless us.

Believe that God desires to bless you, not just others.

3. Focus on the weaknesses or needs of others.

God heard the cries of the Israelites, we need to hear the cries of others.

God knows exactly how you feel and He cares, we need to care for others.

If you give regard to the weak, the Lord will deliver you in your times of trouble.

God allowed Moses not to be eloquent of speech, not to keep him from the call, but rather to keep him humble in the call.

It's more important to be humble in the call.

Who has God called you to bring out?

SCRIPTURE LIST

Exodus 3:1-11

Psalms 31:19

Exodus 4:11-12

Hebrews 4:15

Isaiah 43:18-19

Psalms 41:1

Ephesians 3:20

2 Corinthians 12:9