"Qualified"

God's choice is not based on our worldly qualifications but on His divine calling.

1. We are Inherently Qualified in our Creation.

"Then God said, 'Let us make man in our image, after our likeness... So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.'" - Genesis 1:26-27 (ESV)

2. We are Chosen for a Purpose.

"Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you, and before you were born, I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations." -Jeremiah 1:5 (ESV)

3. We are Qualified through Redemption.

"In him, we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace." - Ephesians 1:7 (ESV)

4. Grace that Transcends worldly Qualifications

"For consider your calling, brothers: not many of you were wise according to worldly standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong." 1 Corinthians 1:26-29 (ESV)

5. The Role of Faith in Our Qualification

"Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through him, we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God." Romans 5:1-2 (ESV)

6. We are Qualified for Service and Good Works.

"For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them." Ephesians 2:10 (ESV)

7. The Eternal Qualification

"giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light." Colossians 1:12 (ESV)

8. The Parable of the Talents (Matthew 25:14-30)

In this parable, Jesus illustrates the importance of stewarding what we've been given.

9. The Great Commission

"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you." Matthew 28:19-20 (ESV)

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