# GOD CALLED ME, NOW WHAT?

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IN THE BIBLE, WE DISCOVER HOW GOD CALLED HIS CHILDREN AND ACCOMPLISHED HIS GREAT WORKS THROUGH THEM. IN EACH AGE, GOD, CREATOR OF ALL THINGS, CALLED THE ANCESTORS OF FAITH, SUCH AS JOSHUA, SAMUEL, DAVID, PETER AND JOHN, AND ELEVATED THEM SO THAT THE LIGHT OF THE WORD OF GOD WOULD NOT GO OUT BUT WOULD CONTINUE TO SHINE.

IN THIS LAST AGE, GOD HAS CALLED US TO CARRY OUT HIS GREAT WORK, WHETHER IT BE IN MINISTRY OR THROUGH A CAREER OR BUSINESS.

# 1- IT IS GOD WHO CALLS A PERSON TO FULFILL A MISSION ON EARTH.

1 THESSALONIANS 5:24 HE WHO CALLS YOU IS FAITHFUL; HE WILL SURELY DO IT.

ROMANS 8:28 AND WE KNOW THAT FOR THOSE WHO LOVE GOD ALL THINGS WORK TOGETHER FOR GOOD, FOR THOSE WHO ARE CALLED ACCORDING TO HIS PURPOSE.

YOU CAN HAVE A DESIRE TO BE IN MINISTRY, BUT UNLESS GOD HAS CALLED YOU, YOU ARE NOT APPROVED TO BE IN MINISTRY. GOING INTO THE MINISTRY FIELD SUCH AS PASTORAL, MISSIONS...ETC WHEN GOD HAS NOT CALLED YOU, IS A RECIPE FOR DISASTER.

# 2- GOD NEVER CALLED ANYONE WHO WASN'T ALREADY WORKING

MOSES AND DAVID WHERE TENDING TO SHEEP
PAUL (SAUL) WAS PERSECUTING CHRISTIANS
PETER AND ANDREW WERE FISHING (WORKING IN THEIR BUSINESS)

GOD DOESN'T ANNOINT LAZY.

# 3- THE CALLINGS OF GOD ARE SPECIFIC

## MOSES

**EXODUS 3:4** WHEN THE LORD SAW THAT HE TURNED ASIDE TO SEE, GOD CALLED TO HIM OUT OF THE BUSH, "MOSES, MOSES!" AND HE SAID, "HERE I AM." ... 10 COME, I WILL SEND YOU TO PHARAOH THAT YOU MAY BRING MY PEOPLE, THE CHILDREN OF ISRAEL, OUT OF EGYPT."

#### SAMUEL

1 SAMUEL 3:3 THE LAMP OF GOD HAD NOT YET GONE OUT, AND SAMUEL WAS LYING DOWN IN THE TEMPLE OF THE LORD, WHERE THE ARK OF GOD WAS. 4 THEN THE LORD CALLED SAMUEL, AND HE SAID, "HERE I AM!"

# PAUL

### **ACTS 9**

"...HE IS A CHOSEN INSTRUMENT OF MINE TO CARRY MY NAME BEFORE THE GENTILES AND KINGS AND THE CHILDREN OF ISRAEL."



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THE CALLINGS OF GOD ARE NOT VAGUE, THEY ARE FOR A SPECIFIC TASK FOR A SPECIFIC TIME.

IN LUKE 24:30 WE SEE THE OUTLINE OF HOW GOD WORKS OUT THE CALLING IN US.

#### **LUKE 24:30**

WHEN HE WAS AT TABLE WITH THEM, HE TOOK THE BREAD AND BLESSED IT AND BROKE IT AND GAVE IT TO THEM.

THE PROCESS OF GOD IN A PERSON IS SIMPLE. IT'S COMPLETED IN 3 STEPS.

# 1- GOD CALLS (... HE TOOK THE BREAD AND BLESSED IT)

THE CALLING OF GOD UPON YOUR LIFE MAY START IN YOUR HEART. YOU MAY HAVE A STRONG DESIRE TO BE IN THE HOUSE OF GOD, TO SERVE PEOPLE AND SPEND TIME WITH GOD. THIS CALLING WILL BE CONFIRMED BY OTHER OR THROUGH OTHERS. WHEN GOD APPROVES THIS CALLING, THEN YOU HAVE HIS BLESSING. IF GOD CALLS YOU, HE WILL SUSTAIN YOU IN THAT CALLING.

# 2- GOD PROCESSES (... AND BROKE IT)

"WHEN CHRIST CALLS A MAN, HE BIDS HIM COME AND DIE" BY DIETRICH BONHOEFFER

MATTHEW 16:24 THEN JESUS TOLD HIS DISCIPLES, "IF ANYONE WOULD COME AFTER ME, LET HIM

DENY HIMSELF AND TAKE UP HIS CROSS AND FOLLOW ME.THIS PROCESS IS KNOWN AS THE

"SCHOOL OF GOD" THIS IS WHERE GOD WORKS OUT OUR CHARACTER, PURIFIES OUR HEARTS

AND BREAKS US. HE BREAKS OUR PRIDE AND WILL. MANY PEOPLE QUIT HERE.

DURING THIS PROCESS WE DIE TO OURSELVES. IT IS IN THIS MOMENT WHERE WE GET TO KNOW THE HEART OF GOD FOR PEOPLE.

PSALMS 103:7 SAYS "HE MADE KNOWN HIS WAYS TO MOSES, HIS ACTS TO THE PEOPLE OF ISRAEL" MOSES GOT TO KNOW THE HEART OF GOD. HE BECAME FAMILIAR WITH WHAT PAINS GOD... LOST SOULS. THE PEOPLE OF ISRAEL ONLY GOT TO SEE THE INCREDIBLE ACTS OF GOD BECAUSE ONLY MOSES GOT TO PLACE OF BROKENNESS. IT IS THE BROKENNESS WHERE WE GET TO KNOW GOD AND HE GETS TO KNOW US.

# AND FINALLY, 3- GOD SENDS OFF (... AND GAVE IT TO THEM)

AFTER GOD BREAKS YOU, HE GIVES TO OTHERS SO THAT YOU MAY FULFILL YOUR CALLING. GOD WILL SEND YOU TO WALK IN YOUR CALLING FOR THE SOLE PURPOSE OF WINNING SOULS. GOD DOESN'T CALL A PERSON TO BECOME FAMOUS, MAKE MONEY OR BE AN INFLUENCER ON SOCIAL MEDIA. EVERYTHING THAT GOD HAS EVER DONE IN SCRIPTURE AND UP UNTIL TODAY HAS BEEN TO SAVE THE LOST. 2 PETER 3:9



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GOD SENT JESUS TO DIE FOR US SO THAT WE MAY HAVE SALVATION. JESUS APPEARED TO PAUL, TO SAVE HIM AND TO CALL HIM TO PREACH TO THE GENTILES. GOD CALLED PETER TO BE A FISHER OF MEN.

GOD'S HEART IS TO SAVE THE LOST. ANYTHING ASIDE FROM THAT IS TO WALK OUTSIDE OF THE CALLING OF GOD.

LASTLEY, FROM THE MOMENT GOD CALLS A PERSON TO THE MOMENT HE SEND THEM OFF, ARE 2 DIFFERENT INSTANCES.

## **ACTS 13: 2**

WHILE THEY WERE WORSHIPING THE LORD AND FASTING, THE HOLY SPIRIT SAID, "SET APART FOR ME BARNABAS AND SAUL FOR THE WORK TO WHICH I HAVE CALLED THEM."

THEY RECIEVED THE CALLING WHILE THEY PRAYED WITH OTHERS, FASTED AND WORSHIPPED THE LORD. THIS IS HOW GOD WILL SPEAK.

# A CALLING IS TO BE PRAYED OVER WITH YOUR LEADERS AND FAMILY.

#### **ACTS 13:3**

THEN AFTER FASTING AND PRAYING THEY LAID THEIR HANDS ON THEM AND SENT THEM OFF.

THEY PRAYED AGAIN. IT WAS AT THIS MOMENT THAT THEY WERE SENT OFF. WE KNOW THIS WAS ANOTHER MOMENT BECAUSE THEY FASTED...AGAIN.

#### THE BIBLICAL WAY TO BE SENT OF IS:

TO BE PRAYED FOR BY YOUR PASTOR (SPIRITUAL AUTHORITY)
YOUR HOME CHURCH SENDS YOU OFF TO FULFILL YOUR CALLING.

