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“By God’s grace, when we give our all, we can stay faithful to our call.”

REACT

God’s call on your life is not a call to comfort but to follow Christ himself.

“If any of you wants to be my follower, you must give up your own way, take up your cross, and follow me.” —Mark 8:34

These words were as shocking when Jesus first said them as they are today. Christ’s call is for you to deny yourself and allow him to lead you through every step. It is only in this daily obedience that you will live a life of purpose and fulfill your call.

God’s call is not to do, but to be. As we grow more like Jesus, we reflect the heart of God to the world.

“But now you must be holy in everything you do, just as God who chose you is holy. For the Scriptures say, “You must be holy because I am holy.” —1 Peter 1:15-16

Each of us must commit to pursuing holiness in every aspect of our lives. Your relationships, actions, thoughts, and dreams should reflect that you are “set apart” and “different” from the world.

REFLECT

Today, your calling is not just upward towards God but outward and towards his church.

“Now these are the gifts Christ gave to the church: the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, and the pastors and teachers. Their responsibility is to equip God’s people to do his work and build up the church, the body of Christ.” —Ephesians 4:11-12





THINK ABOUT HOW YOU LIVE YOUR LIFE. DO YOUR WORDS AND ACTIONS CAUSE PEOPLE TO WANT TO KNOW MORE ABOUT GOD?

Have you identified the gifts God has given to you to support, encourage, and grow his church? What is the next step as you grow and mature in your calling?

RESPOND

As you step into more effective leadership, repeating several practical disciplines until they become habits is key to living in the fullness of your call.

Set aside time on a regular basis to remember your own experience of transformation. Regularly reviewing your life and re-aligning with your call found in Christ keeps you from getting distracted and off the path God laid out for you.

Actively stir up the love you have for God and for his people as you choose to live each day intentionally. Stay connected to his body, the church, and build it up.

By choosing to practice these disciplines until they become a part of you, you will be able to look back on a life well-lived in fulfillment of your unique purpose and calling.

Whatever your circumstances, pursue holiness whole-heartedly.

"Finishing is better than starting. Patience is better than pride." –Ecclesiastes 7:8

REVIEW

- You cannot fulfill your call in your own strength or by your own efforts. You must depend on God.
- Your calling is to Christ, to a Christ-like character, and then to a community.
- By practicing certain spiritual disciplines until they are habits, you set guardrails for your life so that you experience the purpose of God for you.



MEMORIZE

"GOD WILL MAKE THIS HAPPEN, FOR HE WHO CALLS YOU IS FAITHFUL." –1 THESSALONIANS 5:24

ACTION STEPS

- Identify any areas you need to surrender and take steps to re-align yourself to Christ.
- Seek to confirm your calling through prayer and his word.
- Strengthen your connection to your community and church.