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THE CALL OF GOD



"For God's gifts and His call can never be withdrawn." (Romans 11:29 NLT)

WHAT IS GOD'S CALL?

Have you ever asked yourself, "What is the call of God and how can I know God has called me?" A general definition for "the call of God" is God's will, plan and purpose for our personal lives. In fact, God has a call for everyone. There is a purpose for our existence. We all have something to do in the Kingdom of God.

The Apostle Paul recognized he was called. He begins his letter to the Romans by saying, "Paul, a servant of Jesus Christ, called to be an apostle, separated unto the gospel of God" (Romans 1:1 KJV). The word "called" comes from the Greek word "kaleo" which means to call aloud, to summon, or to call towards. The word "separated" comes from the Greek word "aphario" which means to be set apart by boundaries. This tells us God calls us to something and sets a parameter around the work or the calling He has for us.

GOD'S CALL - HIS GRACE

God calls us for His own purpose. "Who has saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works, but according to His own purpose and grace which was given to us in Christ Jesus before time began" (2 Timothy 1:9 NKJV). This verse tells us we are not called according to our own works or abilities. In fact, when God calls us, He also equips us and enables us to do the work of the ministry. Paul said, "And I thank Christ lesus our Lord, who hath enabled me, for that he counted me faithful, putting me into the ministry" (I Timothy 1:12 KJV). Even Paul felt unworthy of God's call because of his past life. "I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and an insolent man; but I obtained mercy... and the grace of our Lord was exceedingly abundant" (I Timothy 1:13-14 NKJV). It is through mercy and grace that we can both acknowledge and accept the call God has on our lives. We will never feel "worthy" in ourselves. We recognize that the call is by grace. "Whereof I was made a minister, according to the **gift of the grace of God** given unto me by the effectual working of his power." (Ephesians 3:7 KJV)

As a new believer, I felt called to do something for God in the ministry. However, there was a time in my Christian life when I experienced a personal setback and as a result, I convinced myself that the call was null and void. The enemy whispered lies telling me, "God is through with you; He doesn't want you anymore". I felt lost and disconnected from God and the church. It wasn't until I heard a message from Romans 11:29 that I was set free and restored. I realized God never changed his mind about the call on my life. The Amplified version of this verse gives the full meaning: "For the and the calling of God are irrevocable [for He does not withdraw what He has given, nor does He change His mind about those to whom He gives His grace or to whom He sends His call]" (Romans 11:29 AMP). This truth set me free! I want you to know that if you have encountered disappointments and trials in your life, it doesn't mean God has forgotten about you or removed His call. Remember, His call comes by grace alone, not because of our merits or accomplishments.

WHAT ARE YOU CALLED TO DO?

Once we've recognized that God has called us, we need to seek Him to find out where we are called. First, we need to realize that we are all called to do different works in the Body of Christ. This passage from Romans provides us a list (although not exhaustive) of the variety of gifts we might operate in. "For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function...We have different

gifts, according to the grace given to each of us. If your gift prophesying, then prophesy in accordance with your faith; if it is serving, then serve; if it is teaching, then teach; if it is to encourage, then give encouragement; if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead, do it diligently; if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully" (Romans 12:4-8 NIV). These are just a sample of the gifts God has for us.

Peter tells us, "God has given each of you a gift from his great variety of spiritual gifts" (I Peter 4:10 NLT). These gifts are not for ourselves; rather we are to "use them well to serve one another" (I Peter 4:10 NLT).

What great joy you will experience when you discover your calling and put it to use to serve others and fulfill God's purpose for your life!



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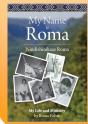
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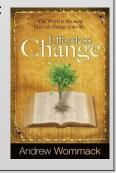


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