

The Call of God's will!

Nothing could be any more meaningful than a call from God, and to follow His will! Listen to Paul describe his call, and how he addresses those in Ephesus!

¹ Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, to the saints which are at Ephesus, and to the faithful in Christ Jesus: ² Grace be to you, and peace, from God our Father, and *from* the Lord Jesus Christ. **Eph 1:1-2**

The word “apostle” means one called and sent forth on a very special mission!

The Lord called Paul to proclaim the glorious gospel of salvation to the world, just as he has called us, and just like he had to the twelve disciples earlier!

⁷ And as ye go, preach, saying, the kingdom of heaven is at hand. **Matt 10:7**

¹⁸ And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. ¹⁹ Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: ²⁰ Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen. **Matthew 28:18-20 (KJV)**

Here is the point: Jesus is not only the Sovereign Lord of the Universe, He is the Savior of the world and your life has purpose within His powerful calling! God's will for you is to be involved, to be a labourer/servant in His work in the Church in these last days!

²² But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves.

²³ For if any be a hearer of the word, and not a doer, **(Look what happens!)** he is like unto a man beholding his natural face in a glass:

²⁴ For he beholdeth himself, and goeth his way, and straightway forgetteth what manner of man he was. **(When you don't do His will,**

you lose your focus!) ²⁵ But whoso looketh into the perfect law of liberty, and continueth therein, (Do His will, and find your purpose!) he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, this man shall be blessed in his deed. **James 1:22-25 (KJV)**

As we the church are willing to become the doers of the word, God will take care of the rest. Right now, there are ministering opportunity from our pre-school to our Senior Adults for you to serve! Especially in our preschool, Children, and youth Ministry as we come back on campus.

³⁶ But when he saw the multitudes, he was moved with compassion on them, because they fainted, and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd. ³⁷ Then saith he unto his disciples, The harvest truly is plenteous, but the labourers are few; ³⁸ Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he will send forth labourers into his harvest.¹ **Matthew 9:36-38**

What an awesome privilege it is to invest into the lives of people for the Kingdom of God. There is no price you can put on a soul! As you serve the Lord, you are making a difference that will last for eternity. There is no greater joy than to know that because of your willingness to be the hands and feet of Jesus, someone gave their life to CHRIST.

- Christ calls **warriors** who will take His Gospel to the lost world, and Paul answered the call! The real question... WILL YOU?

Here something to think about: Now many hundreds of years later, and the world still has not been reached with the good news of the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ. Woe to the man who has been called and does not go! If God has called and He has, we must go, because one day we will stand in accountability to how we handled His call!

¹⁶ Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should **go** and bring forth fruit, and *that* your fruit should

remain: that whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in my name, he may give it you **John 15:16 (KJV)**

¹⁶ But rise, and stand upon thy feet: for I have appeared unto thee for this purpose, to make thee a minister and a witness both of these things which thou hast seen, and of those things in the which I will appear unto thee; **Acts 26:16 (KJV)**

¹⁸ And all things are of God, who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ, and hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation. **2 Cor 5:18 (KJV)**

¹² And I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who hath enabled me, for that he counted me faithful, putting me into the ministry; **1 Tim 1:12 (KJV)**

Paul surrendered his life completely to the will of Christ! All he was and all he had, Paul turned over to Christ. He was completely possessed and obsessed with Christ.

Christ was Paul's savior, but Paul also made Him Master and Lord everything! Paul was not his own, to do as he willed! Rather, Paul was Christ's, to do only as Christ willed for his life!

²⁴ Then said Jesus unto his disciples, If any *man* will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me. ²⁵ For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: and whosoever will lose his life for my sake shall find it. **Matt 16:24-25 (KJV)**

...whosoever he be of you that forsaketh not all that he hath, he cannot be my disciple. **Luke 14:33 (KJV)**

¹³ Neither yield ye your members as instruments of unrighteousness unto sin: but yield yourselves unto God, as those that are alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness unto God. **Romans 6:13 (KJV)**

² And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what *is* that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God. **Romans 12:2 (KJV)**

⁷ But what things were gain to me, those I counted loss for Christ.

⁸ Yea doubtless, and I count all things *but* loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord: for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and do count them *but* dung, that I may win Christ, **Phil 3:7-8 (KJV)**

²⁶ My son, give me thine heart, and let thine eyes observe my ways. **Prov 23:26 (KJV)**

Paul was called by the will of God! Paul's work and employment were chosen by God! He was a Minister because God called him!

Some question to think about:

- How many of us can say what we are doing is God's will for our lives?
- Are you right were God wants you to be?
- Or, are you right were you want to be?
- Are you in or out of God's will?

⁶ Not with eyeservice, as menpleasers; but as the servants of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart; **Eph 6:5-6 (KJV)**

¹⁵ For that ye *ought* to say, If the Lord will, we shall live, and do this, or that. **James 4:15 (KJV)**

¹⁷ And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever. **1 John 2:17 (KJV)**

⁸ I delight to do thy will, O my God: yea, thy law *is* within my heart. **Psalms 40:8 (KJV)**

Are you delighting in your will, or His will?

³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly *places* in Christ: 4 According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love: ⁵ Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of **his will**, ⁶ To the praise of the glory of his grace, wherein he hath made us accepted in the beloved **Eph 1:3-6 (KJV)**

Today, be accepted through complete surrender to His will and call for your life! We need Warrior's such as Eleazar to take a stand and be empowered through God's will and purpose for victory to win!

⁹ And after him was Eleazar the son of Dodo the Ahohite, *one* of the three mighty men with David, when they **defied** the Philistines *that* were there gathered together to battle, and the men of Israel were gone away (They had retreated!): ¹⁰ He arose, and smote the Philistines until his hand was weary, and his hand clave (Stuck) unto the sword: and the LORD wrought a great victory that day; and the people returned after him only to spoil. **2 Sam 23:9-10 (KJV)**

God has called all of us to be warriors in this battle to please Him, to serve Him, to lay down our lives for Him.

Warriors in the way we speak, act, share our testimony, and live out our faith day after day.

A true warrior says no excuse is a good excuse to get out of the battle!

A true warrior serves unconditionally at the pleasure of His king's will!

He does not worry about what the king will do to please him, he simply wants to please the king!

A true warrior will not pray prayers like; "Lord if you will just"

Do you want to know how to become a warrior? Find "The call of God's Will" for your life, and pick up the sword, His Word! And ... DO IT!