

## Called of God

**Romans 8:28- And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose.** (KJV)

Loving God and discerning God's purpose for personal life leads to eternal life. God's help is necessary to remain completely attentive and obedient to God's call. Heeding God's call and being lovingly obedient on a daily basis is challenging. Loving God enriches and brings immeasurable joy to daily life throughout life. Cares and life's challenges become manageable when God's call is fully embraced.

**I Corinthians 7:24- Brethren, let every man, wherein he is called, therein abide with God.** (KJV)

The Lord God is everywhere and immediately accessible to every believer. Recognizing the presence of God everywhere enables believers to grow in life. God's universal presence ensures believers can honor God's call where they are. The presence of God everywhere enables believers to thrive in the life in Christ. The Church reveals thriving Christian growth present in diverse worldly locations. The Christian life is alive and thrives in mountains, cities and in remote deserts.

**Galatians 5:13- For, brethren, ye have been called unto liberty; only use not liberty for an occasion to the flesh, but by love serve one another.** (KJV)

Believers in the Christian life reveal their love for God by loving each other. Life is at the fullest when God and neighbor are loved freely and consistently. The liberty to love God and neighbor is a Divine Blessing present in earthly life. Daily responses to God's call will determine if the believer experiences life eternal. Time used to respond to God's call requires wisdom as earthly time is limited.

**Ephesians 4:1- I therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called,** (KJV)

Each person benefits when using gifts and talents from God for the glory of God. Life comes from God and living according to God's call demonstrates gratitude. Believers can never thank God enough for blessings received during daily life. Honoring God's call is a way to show gratitude for mercy, talents and blessings. Worthily practicing the vocation given by God necessitates abiding in God.

**Philippians 3:14- I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.** (KJV)

Each person is called of God and has opportunities to respond to the high calling. God is ever-present to enable the believer to fulfill the vocational call of God. God illumines the path forward for believers to obediently follow God's calling. The believer's conscience assesses the heart and soul's response to God's call. The Church strengthens, guides and inspires the believer to respond to God's call.

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