

I'M CALLED TO BE SENT! Live Your Calling: What On Earth Am I Here For? – Part 6

GOD'S PLAN FOR HISTORY: God is gathering a <u>Family</u> that will love and live with Him forever!

"His unchanging plan has always been to adopt us into his own family by bringing us to himself through Jesus Christ. And this gave him great pleasure." Ephesians 1:5

"'Anyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.' But how can they call on him to save them unless they believe in him? And how can they believe in him if they have never heard about him? And how can they hear about him unless someone tells them? And how will anyone go and tell them without being SENT? That is what the Scriptures mean when they say, 'How beautiful are the feet of those who bring Good News!'"

Romans 10:13-15 (NLT)

MY 5TH PURPOSE & CALLING IN LIFE: I'm <u>sent</u> to bring others into God's family.

"Meanwhile, the older son was in the field. When he came near the house, he heard music and dancing. So he called one of the servants and asked him what was going on. 'Your brother has come,' he replied, 'and your father has killed the fattened calf because he has him back safe and sound.'

"The older brother became angry and refused to go in. So his father went out and pleaded with him. But he answered his father, 'Look! All these years I've been slaving for you and never disobeyed your orders. Yet you never gave me even a young goat so I could celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours who has squandered your property with prostitutes comes home, you kill the fattened calf for him!' "'My son,' the father said, 'you are always with me, and everything I have is yours. But we had to celebrate and be glad, because this brother of yours was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.'" Luke 15:25-32 (NIV)

...As the Father has SENT me, I am SENDING you...'" John 20:21 (NIV)

WHAT DOES GOD WANT ME TO DO?

1. <u>Pray</u> that people will say yes to God and that people will go.

"Jesus said, 'There are so many people to harvest but only a few workers to help harvest them. PRAY to the Lord, who owns the harvest, that he will SEND OUT more workers to gather his harvest." Matt. 9:37-38 (NCV)

2. <u>Give</u> to help others go.

"We must support believers who go on trips like this so that we can work together with them in spreading the truth." **3 John 1:8 (GW)** "Freely you have received, freely give." **Matt. 10:8 (NIV)**

3. <u>Step</u> out in faith.

"Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?' And I said, 'Here am I. Send me!'" Isaiah 6:8 (NIV)

4. Go where I can now.

→ 3 DIMENSIONS

• PERSONAL - my personal mission to the people in my life.

"Jesus said 'Go back home and tell people how much God has done for you.' So the man went all over town telling how much Jesus had done for him." Luke 8:39 (NCV)

- **LOCAL** my small group's mission to others in our area.
- GLOBAL our church's mission to the entire world!

"Work at bringing others to Christ." 2 Tim. 4:5 (NLT)

GOING DEEPER: Pick up a copy of *Walk Across the Room* by Bill Hybels online or at your local bookstore. As you read, ask yourself, How can I help my friends and family take one step closer to God?