

Your Calling and Election

2nd Peter 1:1-11

Vision for this body/Testimony

- Called to Maryland, things blew up, had to come back
- **Jhn 15:13 KJV - Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.**
- Coming back, changes up here, atmosphere up here. Division - unity
- Not sure what to do "be the church"
- Same time, knowing that Montana was a possibility - now coming to light
- Work/prepared to have them say no, lose best job I've had - still possibility, but might be God's provision
- What about this? Is this just us hanging out for a bible study?
- No - **purpose. Be the church.** Not wanting to do it and send wrong message
- This area needs Jesus. New cults. Calvary moving now (found out long after the heart for this)
- Doesn't need a name on the door. A business model. Just needs Jesus.
- I believe God will bring a pastor
- God's will vs. our will for carrying it out - or maybe we're just living in an ideal

Homework: Listen to Jim Cymbala - Brooklyn Tabernacle > media center > sermons

Unstoppable

Two Questions and an Answer

2 Peter 1:1-11

1-4

V1

Bondservant - doulos

Apostle - sent forth

Obtained like precious faith

WITH US

By the righteous of our God and savior Jesus Christ

V3

His divine power has given us all things that pertain to life and Godliness

We are able! We are made right! "You've got the power!"
Called us by glory and virtue

Exceedingly great and precious promises
We're not the same
We're not the world
Who are we? Partakers of the divine nature.
Escaped the corruption in the world through lust
Lust everywhere

5-11

For this very reason [1-4]

Neither barren nor unfruitful

Are you shortsighted? My eyes lately
Blind?
Forgotten? - why we remember

We were cleansed from our sins for a reason. For a purpose. To fulfill a calling.

Phi 3:12-17 NKJV - Not that I have already attained, or am already perfected; but I press on, that I may lay hold of that for which Christ Jesus has also laid hold of me. Brethren, I do not count myself to have apprehended; but one thing [I do], forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead, I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus. Therefore let us, as many as are mature, have this mind; and if in anything you think otherwise, God will reveal even this to you. Nevertheless, to [the degree] that we have already attained, let us walk by the same rule, let us be of the same mind. Brethren, join in following my example, and note those who so walk, as you have us for a pattern.

Therefore

Be even more diligent
We must work hard!

Your calling - klesis - a calling, calling to, a call, invitation to a feast of the divine invitation to embrace salvation of God

Election - *eklogē* (*out of the word perhaps*)? the act of picking out, choosing

of the act of God's free will by which before the foundation of the world he decreed his blessings to certain persons
 the decree made from choice by which he determined to bless certain persons through Christ by grace alone
 a thing or person chosen
 of persons: God's elect

Sure - *bebaios* - stable, fast, firm metaph. sure, trusty

Now, I'm not telling you what YOUR call is.

I'm telling you that you ARE called. You ARE elect.

You must seek Jesus for what the call is at large but also in this very day.

Maybe I'm crazy. (I am). Maybe this is God's will. Maybe you're called to it. Maybe you're not.

THE NEED IS NOT THE CALL

Us being here, time up, can't fix it. - there is a need - but even though we sought it if it was the Lord, it was not for us to do in the long run. But this was.

Seek him this week.

As him if this is the call for you.

Jhn 10:27 NKJV - "My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me.

(questions on a decision)

You are CALLED and ELECT to something. To know God. To walk with Him. To BE his body. The church.