



Series: "Called"

Topic: Unleashed to Live a Life Worthy of Your Calling

Text(s): Ephesians 4:1 KJV

Date: January 5, 2024

Introduction

As we begin this year, we will be aligned with what God is doing in the church globally through the theme of the C.O.P: "Unleashed to life a life worthy of you calling." For the next few months, we will be exploring what this means and what God is requiring of our lives this year. Today, we kick off a new sermon series inspired by this theme titled "Called"

The Call vs The Calling

- To be called by God is simply to be chosen by God for a specific purpose. **Galatians 1:13-16**
 - In the NT, the one word used for "called" is Kaleo which means "To call aloud, utter in a love voice or to invite"
 - **Galatians 1:6, 1 Corinthians 1:9**
 - The other word used kletos is used as an (*adjective*) which means called, invited but also means called to some office {divinely selected and appointed}
 - **Romans 1:1; Romans 1:6 1 Corinthians 1:2**
- The issue of our Christian culture is the perception of what it means to be called. **1 Corinthians 10:31**

God's Plan

- Every human being has a call to fulfill in this life. **Genesis 3:15**
- To impact the affairs of history and affect align His purpose on earth. **Jeremiah 27:6; Isaiah 45:1;4**
- To restore the earth to its original value through the gospel. **2 Corinthians 5:20**

Types of Calling

- Calling of Salvations; **Matthew 16:18.**
- Calling to a work (vocation); **Genesis 1:27-28; Ephesians 2:10; 2 Thess. 3:10**
- Calling to Life **1 Timothy 5:8**
- Calling to Ministry; **Amos 7:14; Romans 1:6**

How Do I Know?

- What does the sum of your life experience, education, and passions point to?
- What do you think everyone else should be doing?
- What are the things you have thought about doing, never followed through but for some reason, you can't shake it off?
- What has the Lord been impressing on your heart as you seek him?

Conclusion:

The calling of God is on every human being, and they will fulfill it whether they believe in God or not. The advantage for the believer is that we are aware of this truth. Thus, it is incumbent on us to pursue God and work hard to fulfill our calling in our families, work, community and the world at large to see the hand and purpose of God fulfilled in our life.

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Introduction: Matthew 24:14

Can we realistically reach every nation with the limited number of pastors, apostles, evangelists, prophets, and teachers we have today?

EVERYONE must share the gospel in some way. Each of us has a pulpit, and each of us has a part to play.

The Church must be Unleashed into the World- Mark 16:15

- a. Salt is not effective in Salt
- b. The Church is not effective in the Church
- c. Just as Light is not effective in Light

The Harvest is Plenty- Matthew 9:36-37

- a. How come laborers are few but churches are full
- b. God isn't looking for Clergy he is looking for laborers
- c. Harvest is a good thing but Jesus was sad because not enough laborers

You are a minister- Ephesians 4:1-16

- a. One Body, Spirit, Hope, Lord, Faith Baptism.
- b. Of all, above all, through all, in all
- c. Some Apostles, Prophets, Pastors, Teachers, Evangelist
- d. Everyone A Minister

Purpose, Pedigree, Platform - Ecc 1:1, 1:12

- a. Purpose- Solomon was a Preacher 1st
- b. Pedigree- Solomon son of David 2nd
- c. Platform- Solomon was King in Jerusalem 3rd
- d. We must see ourselves as Preachers of the Gospel with our professions as our Platforms.

How to use your Pulpit- Rev. 4:1-4,9-11

- a. Small Groups
- b. Dinner Parties
- c. Group Chats
- d. Jobs & Business

Conclusion: Ware all called to be ministers of the gospel; God has strategically placed each of us in unique positions to be His witnesses. Just as a pulpit serves to proclaim

God's truth, so does every platform God has given you. As we embrace our calling and step into our individual pulpits, we participate in fulfilling the Great Commission.



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Topic: **Living Out Your Faith at Home**

Text: Joshua 12:1-15, Math 5:14-15,

Date: January 19, 2025

Introduction

Last week, Pastor Yaw spoke about “*Different Pulpits for Different People*”. We were encouraged to use every avenue God gives us to preach the gospel and reminded that we are all ministers in this world, with our ordination beginning the day we got born again. Building on that, today, I want us to examine **how to live out our faith at home**. Our homes are the **first pulpit** we have, a place where faith should be evident in **our daily lives**. If we cannot reflect Christ in our closest relationships, how can we effectively share Him with the world? Let us explore what it means to honor God in our households and be a light to those closest to us.

1. A Call to Choose (Joshua 24:15)

- Context: Joshua challenges Israel to decide whom they will serve after recounting God’s faithfulness.
- Key Lesson: Faith begins with *a deliberate choice*. Family members must decide daily to honor and serve God in their homes.

Application:

- Leadership in Faith: Take responsibility to lead your household spiritually (Ephesians 6:4).
- Rejecting Compromise: At home guard yourself from cultural distractions and worldly influences (Romans 12:2).

2. Shine as Lights at Home (Matthew 5:14-16)

- Context: Jesus calls His followers the "light of the world" in the Sermon on the Mount.
- Key Lesson: Faith must shine at home first. A Christ-centered home radiates love, peace, and hope to others.

Application:

- Light Starts at Home: Your family should see your faith in action daily (Colossians 3:12-14).
- Visibility and Testimony: Reflect Christ through acts of love and kindness (Ephesians 4:32).
- Light in the Darkness: Be a source of hope in a broken world (Philippians 2:15).

3. Demonstrating faith at Home

1. Be submissive: Eph 5:21
2. Be hardworking (excellence): Dan 6:3
3. Be a peacemaker: Math 5:9
4. Prioritize worship and bible studies: Pray and study Scripture with the family (Deuteronomy 6:6-7).
5. Practice Christlike Love: Show patience, forgiveness, and humility (1 Corinthians 13:4-7).
6. Guard Your Influence: Avoid worldly distractions and teach your family to stand firm in faith (Proverbs 22:6).

Conclusion

Living out your faith at home begins with a deliberate choice, as Joshua declared, “*As for me and my household, we will serve the Lord*” (Joshua 24:15). This choice requires spiritual leadership, resisting worldly distractions (Romans 12:2), and prioritizing God in daily life. Jesus calls us to be the “light of the world” (Matthew 5:14), and that light must shine first in our homes through acts of love, kindness, and forgiveness (Ephesians 4:32). Let us commit to making our homes places where God is honored, His love is evident, and His light shines brightly.

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Topic: **Living out Your Faith at Work**

Text(s): Matthew 5:16, James 2:14-18, 1 Peter 2:11-12, Ephesians 4:28, Colossians 3:22-23



1. **Introduction:** We've looked at what it means to be Called, we learned what is expected of us with Different Pulpits for Different People. Last week we learned about Living Out Our Faith at Home and today we will be exploring that God expects from us from our workplaces as believers. Sometimes we are expected to behave differently outside of the "four walls of the church" But we know that the walls don't make the church. The church is us and therefore we must be the church wherever specially in our work places where many souls who will never here about Christ from the brick wall church, can encounter Him through us whom the Holy Spirit dwells.
2. **Quotes to Remember**
 - a. "I like your Christ, I do not like your Christians. Your Christians are so unlike your Christ." - Mahatma Gandhi
 - b. "Preach the gospel at all times, and when necessary, use words" - St. Francis Assisi
3. **You are Strategically Placed at Your Current Workplace for God's Purpose**
 - **So Let your DEEDS lead**
 - i. Case Study - Joseph, Daniel, Habakkuk
 - ii. Let your Good works Shine - Matthew 5:16
 - Greek: λάμπω
 - Transliteration: lampō
 - Pronunciation: lam'-po
 - Definition: to beam that is radiate brilliancy: - give light shine.
 - iii. Your work must match your faith - James 2:14-18
 - iv. How to Live amongst Unbelieving People (Co-Workers) 1 Peter 2:11-12
4. **As they do, do you do as well?**
 - a. Stealing – Ephesians 4:28
 - b. Cursing - Ephesians 4:29
 - c. Lying- Titus 2:10
 - d. Work husband/Wife/Flirtations – Matthew 5:27-28
5. **Gods Expectation for Christian managers**
 - a. Be a fair and Just Manager - Colossians 4:1, Ephesians 6:9
 - b. Unfair Treatment of Employees reaches God - James 5:4
6. **God's Expectation for Christian Employee**
 - a. God does not support laziness - 2 Thessalonians 3:10
 - b. Work diligently as if you are doing it for God - Colossians 3:22-23, Ephesians 6:5-8
 - c. Be ready and open for God to use you at anytime.
7. **Exercising Your faith towards Bias and unfair Managers and Employees**
 - a. Trust God to Fight for You - Psalm 56: 3-11
 - b. Vengeance is the Lords – Romans 12:19

Conclusion: *Our faith is not supposed to be confined to the 4 walls of the Church. Because we cannot make an impact behind these walls. Our ability to affect Change in this world is through our careers and Jobs that we have. God will sometimes elevate some of us to the highest level of employment and will use to affect change through Policy and laws. But these can only be possible if we hold on to our faith 24/7.*

Title: **Living Out Your Faith In Your Community**

Sermon Series: **Called**

Key Verse: **Matthew 13-16**

Introduction: Today, I want to talk about something that's not just biblical but it's personal. It's about **who we are** and **why we're here**. Jesus didn't just save us to sit quietly in the background, unnoticed and uninvolved. He called us to be **salt and light**, two simple yet powerful elements that change everything they touch. If you really think about it, there's no one here whose home is without these things. And just as they are essential to us personally, they are just as vital for our communities.

1. **Your Identity:** You are the Salt and Light of the World.

2. **What is Salt?**
 - A. Salt is a seasoning!
 - B. Salt is a preservative!
 - C. Salt is a melter!

3. **You are the Light**
 - A. Let your light "SO" (houtōs)
 - B. Let it shine **openly, intentionally, and purposefully** where others can see it.
 - C. Let it shine with Humility

Practicals

1. **Get In touch-** Get in touch with the people in your communities. As Salt touches food you must touch the community.
2. **Desire to do big things in your community**
3. **If you want to be a blessing to your community, you need to have a deep understanding of its culture.**