

* MESSAGE NOTES ~ August 25, 2024

LET US PRAY ~ Week 5 ~ Send Me

Ask not what God can do for you but instead ask what you can do for God.

THREE RESPONSES TO GOD'S CALL TO SEND US

1) JONAH'S RESPONSE ~ "Here I am Lord, but I'm not going!"

The word of the Lord came to Jonah the son of Amittai saying, "Arise, go to Nineveh the great city and cry against it, for their wickedness has come up before Me." But Jonah rose up to flee to Tarshish from the presence of the Lord. So he went down to Joppa, found a ship which was going to Tarshish, paid the fare and went down into it to go with them to Tarshish from the presence of the Lord. ~ Jonah 1:1-3 (NASB1995)

You were made BY God, FOR God, and until you embrace that fully, life isn't ever going to make any sense.

2) MOSES' RESPONSE ~ "Here I am Lord, but please send someone else."

When the Lord saw that he had turned aside to look, God called to him from within the bush and said, "Moses, Moses!" And Moses said, "Here I am." ~ Exodus 3:4 (NET)

Therefore, come now, and I will send you to Pharaoh, so that you may bring My people, the sons of Israel, out of Egypt. ~ Exodus 3:10 (NASB1995)

Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh, or that I should bring the Israelites out of Egypt?" ~ Exodus 3:11 (NET)

Then Moses said to the Lord, "O my Lord, I am not an eloquent man, neither in the past nor since You have spoken to Your servant, for I am slow of speech and slow of tongue." ~ Exodus 4:10 (NET)

But Moses said, "O my Lord, please send anyone else whom You wish to send!" ~ Exodus 4:13 (NET)

3) ISAIAH'S RESPONSE - "Here I am Lord, send me!"



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I heard the voice of the Lord say, "Whom will I send? Who will go on Our behalf?" I answered, "Here I am, send me!" - Isaiah 6:8 (NET)

Now as Jesus was walking by the Sea of Galilee, He saw two brothers, Simon who was called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea; for they were fishermen. And He said to them, "Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men." Immediately they left their nets and followed Him. Going on from there He saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets; and He called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed Him. ~ Matthew 4:18-22 (NASB)

THREE THINGS YOU NEED TO FULLY SURRENDER TO GOD

1) You need a genuine experience with the presence of God.

In the year of King Uzziah's death, I saw the Lord seated on a high, elevated throne. The hem of His robe filled the temple. ~ Isaiah 6:1 (NET)

Seraphs stood over Him; each one had six wings. With two wings they covered their faces, with two they covered their feet, and they used the remaining two to fly. They called out to one another, "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of Heaven's Armies! His majestic splendor fills the entire earth!"

The sound of their voices shook the door frames, and the temple was filled with smoke. - Isaiah 6:2-4 (NET)

I stopped measuring success by my accomplishments and started measuring success by my obedience, regardless of the results.

... I will honor those who honor Me ... ~ 1 Samuel 2:30b (NLT)

Draw near to God and He will draw near to you. ~ James 4:8a (NASB1995)

You will seek Me and find Me when you search for Me with all your heart. ~ Jeremiah 29:13 (NASB1995)

2) You need a genuine awareness of your sinfulness before God.

I said, "Woe to me! I am destroyed, for my lips are contaminated by sin, and I live among people whose lips are contaminated by sin. My eyes have seen the king, the Lord of Heaven's Armies." ~ Isaiah 6:5 (NET)

3) It takes a genuine understanding of God's grace.

Then one of the seraphim flew to me with a burning coal in his hand, which he had taken from the altar with tongs. He touched my mouth with it and said, "Behold, this has touched your lips; and your iniquity is taken away and your sin is forgiven." ~ Isaiah 6:6-7 (NASB1995)

Fear of the unknown and a desire for comfort and safety are the biggest obstacles to being able to pray the SEND ME prayer.

SAVE ME PRAYER: Jesus, I know I can never be good enough to earn salvation but I also know I don't have to be. I know You will change me and guide me to do good works in Your name from this day forward but I realize I don't have to do good works to earn Your love. All I have to do is receive it. Thank You for offering Your perfect righteousness to me and for dying on the cross in my place. Please Jesus, SAVE ME! I place my Saving Faith IN You and ON You as the sure foundation. Be the Lord and Savior of my life.

SEARCH ME PRAYER: Search me, O God, and know my heart; Try me and know my anxious thoughts; And see if there be any hurtful way in me, And lead me in the everlasting way.

BREAK ME & POUR ME OUT PRAYER: God, break me and pour me out, so I can again be fully dependent on You, fully devoted to you, empty of all but You. Whatever it takes, God, I want to know You intimately, and serve You faithfully, because I trust You, God. Do whatever it takes. Break me and pour me out. Rebuild me and refill me the way You want me to be, so I can truly belong to You!

MOLD ME PRAYER: Mold me God. I will no longer tell you how to make me, how to mold me. My hands are off. Have your own way God. Change my heart oh God! Make it ever true! Change my heart oh God! May I be like You! You are the potter! I am the clay! Mold me and make me! This is what I pray!

SEND ME PRAYER: Lord, I give You my heart. I give You my soul. I live for You alone. Every breath that I take. Every moment I'm awake. Lord, have Your way in me! Here I am, Lord! Send me. Here I am, Lord! Send me. God, I'm Yours. Send me anywhere, anytime, anyhow. Send me when and where You will. In Jesus' name, Amen.