

When God Calls Your Name

A Message Mini-Series

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*Satan knows your name but calls you by your sin.
God knows your sin but calls you by your name.*

God has a calling on the life of all believers - we need to listen for His call, be obedient, and follow the Lord's command in and over our life.

God is calling! Are you listening?

Exodus 3:4 - Every believer has a burning bush experience. Some just never "go over to look" and if we do - we often fail to say

These words reveal the heart of every believer.

I want you to determine in your heart (right now) to let "Here I Am" be your ready response to whatever God calls you to do.

Judges 6 - Gideon (1-24)

1. The Cycle in the Book of Judges (and often in our own lives)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

2. God Sometimes Allows Oppression to Redirect Us Back to Him.

1. God will sometimes allow _____ in our lives to compel our return back to Him. (Book of Judges)
2. We cannot pray our way out of oppression when we are not being _____ to God.
3. Disobedience places a wedge between us and God.
- Disobedience & Oppression causes: Stress & Displacement.

3. They Had Enough (vs6)

1. They hit rock bottom. Poverty, Humiliation, Fruitless Labors. (SIN)
2. Prayer was their last resort instead of their _____
3. We need to make prayer our go to, not an after thought.
1 Thessalonians 5:16-18. Pray *WITHOUT* ceasing. God is listening.

4. God's Reminder to His People (vs7-10)

1. God is more than able to _____ you.
2. God has never lost a battle.
3. Our own _____ often leads to our defeat. (Vs10)

We must stop the cycle of : Sin - Oppression - Prayer/Pleading - Deliverance

5. God Calls Gideon. (vs11-24)

1. God calls you by how He sees you, not by how you see yourself (12)
2. God conquers our excuses! (Vs14-16)
3. With God on our side - _____ is certain. Claim it!

We must not get caught up in the circumstances of what we face, we need to see the big picture and that is that - God is on our side in every battle - **if** we simply:

LISTEN - OBEY - PRAY - RELY ON GOD FOR OUR STRENGTH

(Psalm 27:1) - God is our: 1. Light 2. Strength 3. Salvation
(He covers all the bases and we need to surrender control to Him)

4. God always responds to our feelings of inadequacy the same way He did with Moses and Gideon - **"I will be with you" - (6:16)**

Like Moses - Like Gideon: God is calling you today.
Some He is calling to Salvation.
Some He is calling to Ministry or a Task.
Some He is calling to Repentance.
Some He is calling to let Him Fight the Battle
Some He is calling to Be Still and Know that He is God

God is calling you by name - what will your response be?