# GOD'S CALL Remembrance, Renewal, and Revival

### **REMEMBERING THE CALL**

- When we choose to remember things about what God has done and wants to do, we're less likely to forget, and it causes us to be thankful and dedicated.
- Reignite a passion for pursuing and seeking God in a serious manner
- Reorganize our thoughts about God's nature and Kingdom
- Revitalize our purpose

### **RESPONSES TO THE CALL**

- Who we respond to, and how we respond to them, determines the value we place on that person.
- Pursuing the call John 4:34
- Postponing the call Luke 9:59,60
- Resisting the call Jonah 1:3
- Abandoning the call John 6:66

Cain and Abel were called to be sons Saul and David were called to be kings Judas and Peter were called to be apostles

## PURSUIT OF AND CHALLENGES OF THE CALL

- We can feel disconnected from God by letting our negative experiences and circumstances determine the level of our faith.
- Psalm 37; John 15
- The cure for discouragement
  - Abide Be with Jesus
    - Be like Jesus
    - Be used by Jesus
- The cure for fear
  - Rest Ceasing from one's own work and control Believing, trusting, and finding security in the Lord
- The cure for impatience
  - Wait To bind together
    - Grow silent, be dumb
    - Be expectant with hope and eager for an answer

Discouragement is dissatisfaction with the past, distaste for the present, and distrust of the future. It is ingratitude for the blessings of yesterday, indifference to the opportunities of today, and insecurity regarding strength for tomorrow. It is unawareness of the presence of beauty, unconcern for the needs of our fellowman, and unbelief in the promises of old. It is impatience with time, immaturity of thought, and impoliteness to God.

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### <u>REVIVING THE CALL</u>

- ► The abundant life
- God's affirming love in Jesus
- God's intimate involvement of the Father
- God's unlimited power, comfort, and guidance through the Holy Spirit

#### Ephesians 3:20,21 Amplified Bible

Now to Him Who, by (in consequence of) the [action of His] power that is at work within us, is able to [carry out His purpose and] do superabundantly, far over and above all that we [dare] ask or think [infinitely beyond our highest prayers, desires, thoughts, hopes, or dreams]

To Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations forever and ever. Amen (so be it).