



CALLED TO CHILDREN

The Calling

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As followers of Jesus, we are called to serve and minister. Ministry with children is our mission. We minister to the largest mission field in the world. We minister to children. The following is about us as we serve in ministry. It's personal.

Our calling is sure. My challenge is big. My vision is clear. My desire is strong. My influence is eternal. My impact is critical. My values are solid. My faith is tough. My mission is urgent. My purpose is unmistakable. My direction is forward. My heart is genuine. My strength is supernatural. My reward is promised.
And my God is real.

IN A WORLD OF...

In a world of cynicism, I offer **hope**.

In a world of confusion, I offer **truth**.

In a world of immorality, I offer **values**.

In a world of neglect, I offer **attention**.

In a world of abuse, I offer **safety**.

In a world of ridicule, I offer
affirmation.

In a world of division, I offer
reconciliation.

In a world of bitterness, I offer
forgiveness.

In a world of sin, I offer **salvation**.

In a world of hate, I offer **God's love**.

I refuse to be dismayed, disengaged, disgruntled, discouraged or distracted. Neither will I look back, stand back, fall back, go back or sit back. I do not need applause, flattery, adulation, prestige, stature or veneration. I do not have time for business as usual, mediocre standards, small thinking, outdated methods, normal expectations, average results, ordinary ideas, petty disputes or low vision.

I will not give up, give in, bail out, lie down, turn over, quit or surrender.

I will pray when things look bad.

I will pray when things look good.

I will move forward when others stand still.

I will trust God when obstacles arise.

I will work when the task is overwhelming.

I will get up when I fall down.

Our calling is to reach boys and girls for God. It is too serious to be taken lightly, too urgent to be postponed, too vital to be ignored, too relevant to be overlooked,

too significant to be trivialized, too eternal to be fleeting and too passionate to be quenched.

We know our mission. We know our challenge. We also know our limitations, our weaknesses, our fears, and our problems. And we know the one true God.

Let others get the praise.

Let the church get the blessing.

Let God get the glory.

I am serving God and I am doing ministry. I minister to children. This is who I am. This is what I do.

This is who WE ARE!
This is what WE do!

