One Hope of Your Calling

Ephesians 4:4 King James Version
I therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called, 2 With all lowliness and meekness, with longsuffering, forbearing one another in love; 3 Endeavouring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

Paul teaches us to pay attention to the voice of God calling those who will hear and answer. We are to answer God’s call to us with all lowliness and meekness.

God’s Word is written to summon us to come unto Him. His call goes out to anyone and everyone who lives in sin. You cannot get rid of sin and come your own way. You must allow the Word of God change you as you obey in the process of coming. As you come, you must let go of sin operating in your life in your obedience to following His will to be done in earth.

This allows us to be changed into His image of life-giving power to those who are weak and still under the bondage of sin. We walk in darkness if we think we can come as we are, and do what we want to do which is of no good to the Kingdom of God to win souls unto God. Our life must match up to carry His work with value to winning souls to the Kingdom of God in righteousness and in truth.

Doing the work of the Kingdom of God is not an ordinary job you do to just to get paid. If you are in it for the money, you are no better than Judas who guarded the money purse for Christ as he pretended to do the work. Christ knew who Judas was, and He knows exactly who you are in your heart. If you are not sincere in doing the work through His love and caring for the kingdom, then the work you do will be of no value to
represent your soul in Heaven. In following your will to do things your way, you leave out the Kingdom of God as you may work hard, but it will not benefit you in entering Heaven. It is all just works done on your part and wasted time, through your self-will. God’s kingdom must come into our heart as we are serving His image as we follow and submit unto Christ. There is a purpose for every Word that God speaks for us to follow.

In His calling we are invited to come and partake of the blessings of redemption. In His calling, we are called by a name. So, to answer the call of His voice crying in the wilderness of our soul, we must come with lowliness and meekness, which means on our part to be humble, gentle, and mild, having a patient and gentle disposition. We must come knowing nothing except what God speaks unto us, to do His work.

**Matthew 5:5** *Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth.*

In His meekness we are humbled by being free from pride and vanity. We come lowly in station with a servant’s heart; not pretending we are something that God has not called us to. In God we earn every blessing. Salvation is given freely but even that comes with a price of the blood of Jesus. Without true salvation of bringing our life under the power of His Word; we have nothing in God even though it is made available unto us. We must accept God’s presence in our life to help guide us into all truth.

The meek are entitled to inherit His promises in a submissive spirit as they humble themselves. They will not only inherit the blessedness of Heaven, but will also share in the Kingdom of God while living on earth.

In the Sermon on the Mount, (Matthew Chapters 5-7) Christ shows us that the Kingdom of God is both within us who hear and obey the Word of God, and yet is to come as we enter Heaven with our name in the Lamb’s Book of Life. Christ keeps record of our life as we live under His presence of righteousness and obey the Word of God. If we live a
wicked lifestyle and always manipulating life our way as Satan does; our name may not be in His book as He holds the key to salvation. Whom we serve in this world, shows up in our heart and soul the way we treat people.

Matthew 11:29 *Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart:* and ye shall find rest unto your souls. 30 *For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.*

*Take my yoke upon you and learn of me,* is taking His image of love and compassion and submitting to His authority as we live in Him. In taking His yoke upon our life, we are inviting Him in to help us to do the will of the Father. In doing this, we are being conformed to His image as we live in this earthly body and becoming one with Him.

Ephesians 4:4 *There is one body,* and one *Spirit,* even as ye are called in one *hope of your calling:* 5 One *Lord,* one *faith,* one *baptism,* 6 One *God and Father of all,* who is *above all,* and through all, and in you all. 7 But unto every one of us is given grace according to the measure of the gift of Christ.

Ephesians 4:8 Wherefore he saith, *When he ascended up on high, he led captivity captive,* and *gave gifts unto men.* 9 (Now that he ascended, what is it but that he also descended first into the lower parts of the earth? 10 He that descended is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, that he might fill all things.)

Christ came unto us from Heaven first, then He ascended up that He may give gifts unto men under salvation. He led captivity captive to show that we are accepted even though we have sinned, we can come under forgiven grace. He had to go up first so that the element of acceptance through sin as we repent might be set under forgiven grace in eternity.
Gifts are given, to give us a work of true righteousness to serve God, otherwise Satan will interfere again. We need a good work to occupy our time, rather than to sin with idle time on our hands with nothing to do. All who repent are given a measure of work under God’s grace.

Christ died for us to be set free as His death was a victory for God who holds all power even in death. Since sin is death and separation from God, we who are now being brought back into unity with the body of Christ through salvation, can now live again to serve God.

Now in His work we are able to serve Him wherever we are on earth in whatever job we are called upon to do. We do the work we are called to do with love and respect of the Father’s will to draw others who need life into His kingdom.

No job is just an ordinary job to bring in wages. All our works are to honor God as we live for Him. God does not bless just any work we choose to do. If it is a hindrance to His kingdom truth coming into our life, or the life of others, then the work we do is in vain and is of no use to the kingdom. We must seek to want to change our ways to match up with His kingdom that draws all souls unto Him. He will not waste time giving gifts to those who refuse to follow the Word of the Father. Then He descended into the lower parts of the earth carrying our sin with Him.

“One,” means we are being unified as one body with Christ as our head. In so much as God is unifying us all as one who believe and live for Him, we are given grace according to the measure of the gift of Christ within us. He gives all according to His will to be done. As we give our best to His will to be done, we are given a measure of the gift of Christ to work with all through His body. Just as we have organs in our natural body that work together to keep our body functioning for us in one body; so, we must work together to keep the work of God flowing in harmony with His spirit of life as the one body of Christ.
I cannot come in with hatred operating through my life. My blessings must flow with a meek and humble spirit in things that promote fellowship and unity of God’s love. The love of God must prevail at all cost to us. Christ has paid the price for our suffering and wrongdoing, now we can come in free of self-will, grief and pain.

God gave Adam a spiritual job in the Garden of Eden to keep his heart focused; so, he now gives gifts to men in the earth to keep their heart focused on God’s truths as they are to serve only God and not Satan who serves only himself.

_Ephesians 4:22 That ye put off concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts; 23 And be renewed in the spirit of your mind; 24 And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness.

We must now put off the former things of the old man nature to take up the new man in our heart. The new man will not come without us letting go of the old as God changes the furniture within us and cleans the spiritual house before he enters to reform our soul in a new lifestyle for eternity.

He cannot move in until we want to change, because if His presence is eternal as He comes; He does not want us to abide in sin for all eternity just as Adam and Eve had to be driven from the Garden into the world when they left eternity. This is why we must move from our will into His will to be done. Our will always means separation and death from eternity in God.

Will you choose to separate your life from the world of sin today? It is for the protection of all who wish to live in the Father’s will.

We do not have all eternity to make up our mind as time is running out for many. Please do not make your life “one,” with them who lose out.
Continue to read Ephesians chapter 4 (KJV) to get a clearer picture on how to live for God.

There is nothing to regret under salvation.

**Heavenly Father,**
* I come to you asking forgiveness for all of my sin. I repent of all evil that has ever touched my life in thought or deed. I surrender my life to Jesus Christ this day under your forgiven grace and mercy. Heal me completely as I come toward you humbly bowing from my will. Lead me by your Holy Spirit of life eternal that I might live in you forever. In the mighty name of Jesus I pray, Amen.

(Hebrews 12:2 Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.)

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Matthew 10:8

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