

LIVE AS YOU ARE CALLED

1 Corinthians 7.10-28

IDENTITY IN ALL THE WRONG PLACES

Paul addresses the Corinthians and their proclivity to find their identity and value and even their worth before God in other things. We tend to think that what we do makes us more valuable. But if that were true, it would mean that others are more valuable. Paul says that none of this is of any value, but rather our value comes from Christ.

Paul tells the bondservant, "you seek to be free? Guess what, you're already free because of Christ!" He says to the freed man, "you think you're free? Guess what, you are the bondservant of Christ!" His aim is to help each person, whether single, married, free, or slave, to learn to be content with their current calling and live their life for Christ, and not themselves.

OUR CALLING SHAPES OUR CALLING, NOT VICE VERSA

Paul uses the word "call" 8 times in vss. 17-24. He uses it two different ways:

- **Salvific Call:** Seven of the times it refers to our "salvific" call, meaning God's calling of us out of spiritual death and into salvation. This call solidifies our union with Christ.
- **Vocational Call:** One time, in verse 17 (maybe also 20), he uses it to describe what we are functionally and practically "called" to do, what we might call our "vocational" call.

**What you are called to do in this life
does not give value or worth to your calling in Christ.
Your calling in Christ is what gives value
to what you are called to do in this life.**

Galatians 5.2-15

BONDSERVANTS OF CHRIST

Paul's reminder to the singles, marrieds, slaves, and free, is that we aren't to be owned by our vocational calling (or wanting a different one), but rather we have purchased by Christ, and our calling is *not* about us, but it's about Christ.

Galatians 2.20, 21

**All your righteousness would have no more influence
to uphold you and keep you out of hell,
than a spider's web would have to stop a falling rock.**

-Jonathon Edwards



NOTES:

This Week's Scripture to Memorize:

Colossians 3:23

Whatever you do, work heartily, as for the Lord and not for men,

ARE YOU NEW HERE?

WELCOME TO LIFE MISSION!

We'd love for you to **fill out a Connection Card** so we can welcome you and answer any questions you may have. You can drop it in the offering basket during the service or take it to one of our teammates at the **Connection Booth** outside. Feel free to grab some coffee and snacks in the courtyard and hang out. We hope you'll **join us next Sunday** and consider making us your church family.

WHAT ABOUT THE KIDS?

Our childrens' ministry, which we call **Kids on Mission**, has classes for **newborns - 5th grade**. We have a great team of volunteers who have all been screened with background checks for extra security. Each week your child will get to **worship** with their class, followed by an **age-appropriate lesson** that points them towards Jesus and helps root them in the Word of God.

Visit our website to read more about the vision of Kids on Mission and a walkthrough of our curriculum. If you have any questions, email **Amber Willis at amber@lifemission.tv**

JUNIOR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL

Our **6th - 8th graders** begin each Sunday by **worshipping with the adults** and then head to their classroom with their teacher and classmates for the rest of service. Visit our website to read more about our junior high ministry and a walkthrough of our curriculum.

Our **9th-12th graders stay in the service** with the adults because we believe that it is crucial for them to not "graduate the faith" when they graduate high school.

For more information about our Junior High & High School ministries, email **Tyler Willis at tyler@lifemission.tv**.

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COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

Before your group starts, is there anyone who can share the **Memory Verse**?

Read **1 Corinthians 7.10-28**. What stands out to you in this passage, and what stuck out to you most from the sermon on Sunday? _____

Though circumcision isn't a debated theological issue we find identity in, using this example, what are some other religious actions or practices that, even if good, wrongly have us find our identity and value and worth in? What should the correct approach or perspective be with those practices? _____

Preaching the Gospel to Yourself

The Gospel is overflowing in these passages. What specific Gospel truth do you need to be reminded of from here? What part of the Good News brings relief and a nice, big exhale from your lungs? _____

Repent and Confess

In your own words, describe the difference between "salvific" and "vocational" calling. What do you struggle with as it pertains to finding your identity in your current "vocational" calling? How should your salvific calling be shaping this area of struggle? _____

Ask for Provision

A clear need for all of us is godly contentment. How might you ask God specifically for godly contentment in your vocational calling, while also not wanting to risk being apathetic, either? _____

Your Life Mission

God has assigned you your particular vocational calling in this season of life. Are you single? Married? A parent? Teacher? Business owner? How can you live your life as if it is "Christ who lives in me" in those callings? What conversations or social interactions are upcoming that you need prayer for? _____

End the evening in a time of prayer, praying through the theme of the night using the **P.R.A.Y.** model with your group. Make sure to end your time of prayer **Yielding with Thanksgiving** for God's sovereignty and plan for your life.



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MAKING DISCIPLES WHO MAKE DISCIPLES LOCALLY AND GLOBALLY,
WHO ARE SAVED, EQUIPPED, AND SENT BY THE GOSPEL.



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