









• The Call to be Saints, 1 Cor.1:2,9 -Call to be holy, 1 Peter 1:15-16 • God called us in: Holiness/Sanctification, 1 Thess. 4:7, 3-6, (cf. John 17:17) • Some Christians refuse, 1 John 2:15f -Compromise, participate & blend in with the world (Ephesians 5:3-11)

Here am I, send me!

- The Call to be Saints, 1 Cor.1:2,9
 - -To be the salt of earth, *Matthew* 5:13
 - -To be the light of world, *Mt. 5:14-16 (Philippians 2:14-16)*
 - -To be a pilgrim, 1 Peter 2:11-12

God calling yet, shall I not hear?

- The Call to Service, Rom. 12:3-8
 - -Will I sit on the sidelines?
 - Speculate, criticize, please self
 - "Us" and "Them" mindset
 - -Will I be a participant, a worker? Ephesians 4:16
 - "Us" mindset

Here am I, send me!

- The Call to Service, Rom. 12:3-8
 - -Teach a class, preach a sermon...
 - -Lead a prayer, serve the Lord's Supper, lead singing...
 - –Mow the grass, clean the building, prepare the Lord's Supper…
 - -Visit the sick, encourage the weak, comfort, restore... 1 Peter 4:7-11

God calling yet, shall I not hear?

- The Call of <u>Evangelism</u>, Mark 16:15; Acts 16:9-10
 - The lost are not saved unless we preach the gospel, Rom. 10:12-15
 - Ability + Opportunity = Responsibility, *Matthew 25:15,19;* Acts 8:4

Here am I, send me!

- The Call of <u>Evangelism</u>, Mark 16:15; Acts 16:9-10
 - -To teach family, friends, neighbors, John 1:40-42; Acts 10:24,33
 - -To teach our community, Acts 5:28
 - -To teach the world, *Acts 17:6;* cf. Rom. 1:15

God calling yet, shall I not hear?

- The Call to be <u>Saved</u>,
 Mt. 11:28-30; Acts 2:36-40
 - -Called by gospel, 2 Thess. 2:13-14; 1 Cor. 1:18, 21-24 (Rom. 1:16-17)
 - -God calls the lost into light, fellowship & mercy, 1 Peter 2:9-10; 1 Corinthians 1:9

Here am I, I'm coming!

- <u>Call</u> on the name of the Lord to be saved, *Acts 2:21 (Rom. 10:13)*
 - -Hear & obey God's call! Acts 2:41
 - Believe, Mark 16:16 (1 Cor. 1:21)
 - Repent of sins, Acts 2:38
 - Confess faith, Romans 10:10
 - Be baptized, Acts 22:16; 1 Peter 3:21
 - Faithful living, Acts 2:42



How do I respond to God's call?

"...walk worthy of the calling wherewith you were called, with all lowliness and meekness, with longsuffering, forbearing one another in love; giving diligence to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace..." (Ephesians 4:1-3)

How do I respond to God's call?

- "Here am I, send me!" or
- "I'm not going...send someone else?"