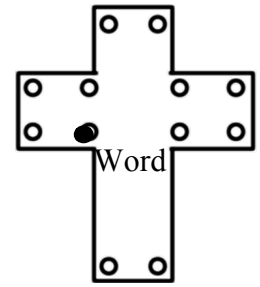


WORD of TRULY GREAT FREEDOM



2.11 This Calling

Bible Verse : Mark 1:17

And Jesus said to them, 'Follow me and I will make you become fishers of men.'

Proclaim : *Lord Jesus calls me to be a blessing to others.*

Truth: Jesus said : Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you.



Scripture Reference: Marks 1:14-20

Lesson: (1) God is calling you – *The Old Testament Prophet Samuel heard the call of God in his heart when he was very young. Samuel obeyed God and became a person who was mightily used of God. Today, God is also calling the very young to His work. When we are willing to serve God, our life can change from insignificance to become a greatly useful life. (Imagine: a large water-melon that is grown from a little seed.) According to the Bible: "Eye has not seen, nor ear heard, nor have entered into the heart of man the things which God has prepared for those who love Him." (1Sam 3:10-14; 1Cor 2:9)*

(2) The Great Commission – Jesus spoke to His disciples, saying: "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you." *This is the great commission of the Lord to every believer. (Matthew 28:18-20)*

(3) The Harvest Is White Unto Harvest – The Bible tells us: "Jesus went through all the towns and villages teaching...and preaching the good news of the kingdom.. When He saw the crowds, He had compassion on them because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd." *Jesus also said that the harvest is plentiful but the workers are few, therefore we ought to pray for workers to go to the harvest. (The term 'harvest' refers to the lost that are all over the world.) (Matthew 9:36-37)*

(4) The Most Joyful Work – *God's work is not a boring work. On the contrary, it can be exciting. We learned about Newton John in Lesson 2:4, who found a new life in the Lord and decided to serve God and teach his word. The great joy of serving the Lord is like the joy of celebrating one's birthday everyday.*

(5) Helping People To Know The Lord – *Only the Lord Jesus can take away all the sorrow, hopelessness and sinfulness of all men and can lift them up. "And there is salvation in no one else; for there is no other name under heaven that has been given among men by which we must be saved." Helping others to know Jesus is thus a most important task. (Ephesians 2:4-6; Acts 4:12)*

Conclusion: The Lord God is looking for all who are willing to commit their lives to do His kingdom work, for He is coming again soon. When He comes again, there will be no more opportunity for sharing the gospel and teaching the Lord's truths.

Prayer/Invitation: Pray that today's truths will be written on our hearts in Lord Jesus' name.