

You are
Called by
God



Called-
*Destined
Appointed
Changed Identity
Invited*



Rebellious
Unbelieving
Godless
Careless

Romans 11:29
For God's gifts and his
call are irrevocable.

It's not
your
status

1 Corinthians 1:26-27
Brothers and sisters, think of what
you were when you were
called. Not many of you were
wise by human standards; not
many were influential; not many
were of noble birth. ²⁷ But God
chose the foolish things of the
world to shame the wise; God
chose the weak things of the world
to shame the strong.



Open your
eyes

Ephesians 1:18

I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened (flooded with light) in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people.



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4Again he sent other servants, saying, ‘Say to those having been invited, “Behold, I have prepared my dinner. My oxen and the fatlings have been killed, and all things are ready; come to the wedding feast.”’

5And having paid no attention they went away, one to the own field, and one to his business. 6And the rest, having laid hold of his servants, mistreated and killed them.

7And the king was angry, and having sent his armies, he destroyed those murderers and burned their city. 8Then he says to his servants, ‘Indeed the wedding feast is ready, but those having been invited were not worthy.

9Therefore go into the thoroughfares of the highways, and invite to the wedding feast as many as you shall find.’

10And those servants, having gone out into the highways, brought together all, as many as they found, both evil and good; and the wedding hall became full of those reclining.

11And the king having entered in to see those reclining, he beheld a man there not being dressed in wedding clothes.12And he says to him, ‘Friend, how did you enter here not having a wedding garment?’ And he was speechless.

13Then the king said to the servants, ‘Having bound his hands and feet, cast him out into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of the teeth.’
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Ask God to
help you be
willing

Psalm 51:12
Restore to me the joy of your salvation
and grant me a willing spirit, to
sustain me.

Philippians 2:12-13
12 Therefore, my dear friends, as you
have always obeyed—not only in my
presence, but now much more in my
absence—continue to work out your
salvation with fear and trembling, 13 for
it is God who works in you to will and to
act in order to fulfill his good purpose.

Everyone is
called by
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9Therefore go into the
thoroughfares of the highways,
and invite to the wedding feast as
many as you shall find.' (**everyone!**)



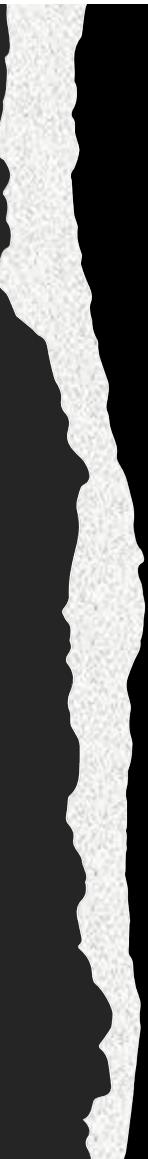
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John 3:16

For God so loved the world that he
gave his one and only Son, that
whoever believes in him shall
not perish but have eternal life.

2 Peter 3:9

The Lord is not slow in keeping his
promise, as some understand
slowness. Instead he is patient
with you, not wanting anyone to
perish, but **everyone** to come to
repentance.



Guilt not
confusion

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God's call,
God's way

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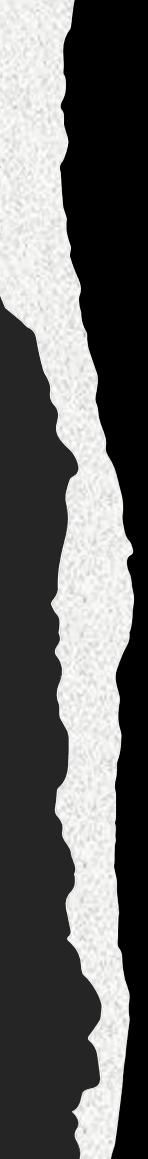
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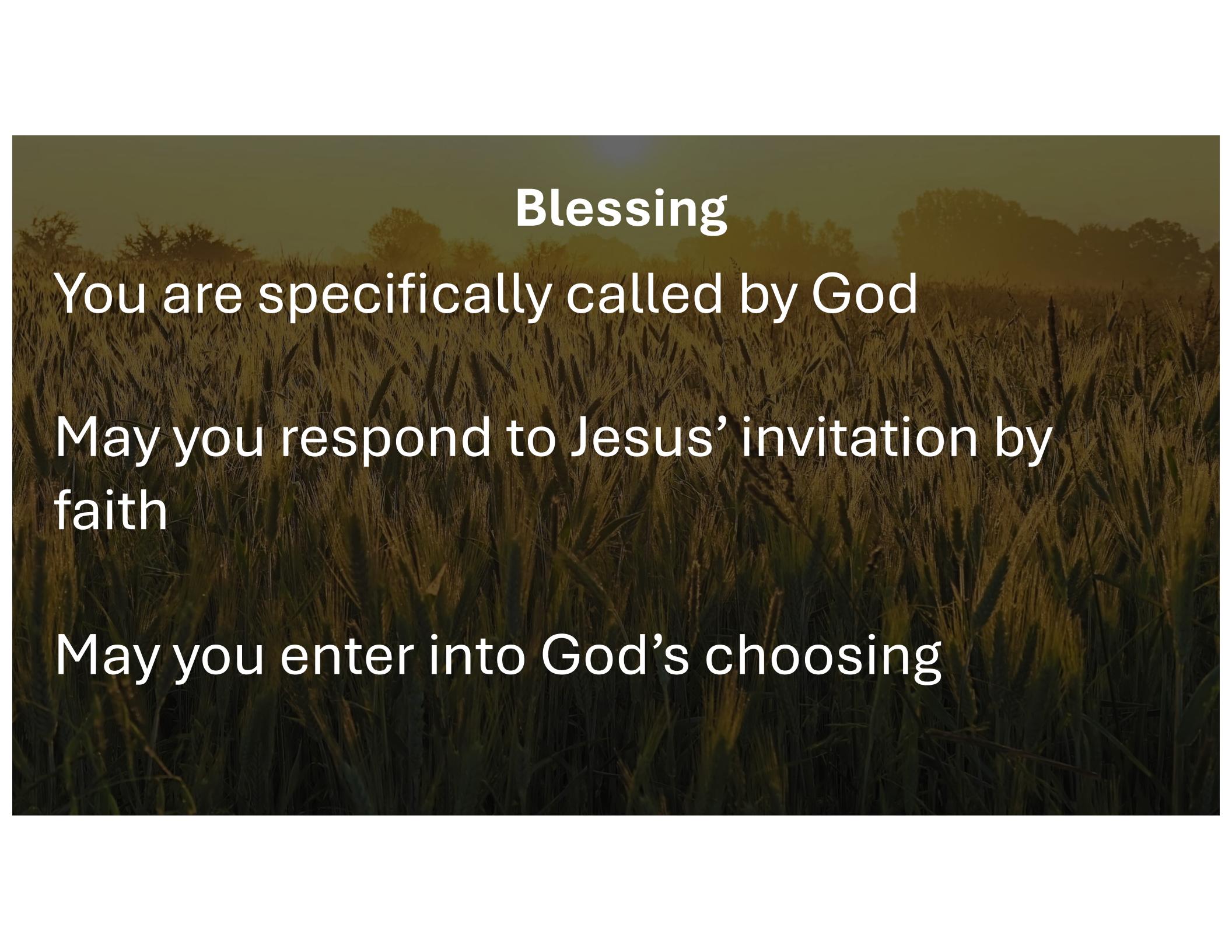
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2 Peter 1:10 Berean Literal Bible

Therefore, brothers, be diligent, rather, to make your calling and election sure (confirm your calling). For practicing these things, never at any time shall you stumble.



Become God's
choice by freely
receiving God's
invitation by faith.

A photograph of a vast field of golden wheat. The wheat stalks are tall and dense, swaying slightly. In the background, a line of green trees is visible under a clear, pale blue sky.

Blessing

You are specifically called by God

May you respond to Jesus' invitation by
faith

May you enter into God's choosing

Life Application

What is the main thing that helped you on Sunday?

What is one thing you are going to do differently on Monday morning?

Write down how you changed this week.