## **CALLED TO BE LOVED**

#### LIVE YOUR CALLING: Week 2

February 25, 2018 Pastor Brian

"Even before he made the world, God loved us and chose us in Christ to be holy and without fault in his eyes. God decided in advance to adopt us into his own family by bringing us to himself through Jesus Christ. This is what he wanted to do, and it gave him great pleasure."

(Ephesians 1:4–5, NLT)

My first Calling is to enjoy a **RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD** 

"SEE WHAT [an incredible] quality of love the Father has given (shown, bestowed on) us, that we should [be permitted to] be named and called and counted the children of God! And so we are!" (1 John 3:1. AMP)

Give yourselves completely to God since you have been given new life. (Romans 6:13b, NLT)

## WHAT GOD'S LOVE DOES

## 1. MEETS MY DEEPEST NEEDS.

"God sent Christ to be our sacrifice. Christ offered his life's blood, so that by faith in him we could come to God...[and he is] is right when he accepts people who have faith in Jesus." (Romans 3:25–26, CEV)

#### 2. GIVES ME ACCESS TO THE FAMILY FORTUNE.

"For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. So you have not received a spirit that makes you fearful slaves. Instead, you received God's Spirit when he adopted you as his own children. Now we call him, "Abba, Father." For his Spirit joins with our spirit to affirm that we are God's children. And since we are his children, we are his heirs. In fact, together with Christ we are heirs of God's glory..." (Romans 8:14–17, NLT)

#### 3. PROVIDES A PEACE IN PAIN THAT I CAN'T EVEN EXPLAIN.

"Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank him for all he has done. Then you will experience God's peace, which exceeds anything we can understand. His peace will guard your hearts and minds as you live in Christ Jesus." (Philippians 4:6–7, NLT)

#### 4. GIVES ME COURAGE TO PURSUE MY CALLING.

"May our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and in his grace gave us unfailing courage and a firm hope," (2 Thessalonians 2:16, GNB)

# 5. INSPIRES ME TO **SHARE HIS LOVE!**

"You are the light of the world—like a city on a hilltop that cannot be hidden. No one lights a lamp and then puts it under a basket. Instead, a lamp is placed on a stand, where it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your good deeds shine out for all to see, so that everyone will praise your heavenly Father." (Matthew 5:14–16, NLT)

### **ACTION**

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