

“Mission Possible”

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Mission: a sending or being sent for some duty or purpose; an important goal or purpose that is accompanied by strong conviction; a calling or vocation.

1. Jesus had a mission, commissioned by God, His Father.

Luke 19:10 NKJV: for the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost.

* The Apostle Paul had the same mission from Jesus.

Acts 26:17-18 NKJV: ¹⁷ I will deliver you from the *Jewish* people, as well as *from* the Gentiles, to whom I now send you, ¹⁸ to open their eyes, *in order* to turn *them* from darkness to light, and *from* the power of Satan to God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins and an inheritance among those who are sanctified by faith in Me.’

* “Open their eyes”: How?

Psalm 119:130 (NKJV Strong's):

The entrance of Your words gives light;
It gives understanding to the simple.

Romans 10:14 (NKJV Strong's): How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher?

* The Holy Spirit will lead us in conversation as we share the truth.

John 15:26-27 NKJV: ²⁶ “But when the Helper comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, He will testify of Me. ²⁷ And you also will bear witness, because you have been with Me from the beginning.

* **1 Peter 2:9-10 NKJV:** ⁹ But you *are* a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light; ¹⁰ who once *were* not a people but *are* now the people of God, who had not obtained mercy but now have obtained mercy.

2. Jesus had a purpose while He was here.

1 John 3:8b NKJV: For this purpose the Son of God was manifested (to be made visible; to be made known), that He might destroy (to put off; to loose any person that is tied up; to loosen anyone bound up; to undo) the works (the business or occupation of someone) of the devil.

* What is the devil's business and occupation?

John 10:10 NKJV: The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have *it* more abundantly.

* What is the believer's calling, business, and occupation?

Ephesians 2:10 Amplified Bible: For we are His workmanship [His own master work, a work of art], created in Christ Jesus [reborn from above—spiritually transformed, renewed, ready to be used] for good works, which God prepared [for us] beforehand [taking paths which He set], so that we would walk in them [living the good life which He prearranged and made ready for us].

(**Workmanship** is the word for poetry: composition that is characterized by great beauty of language or expression: symphonic poem.)

Zephaniah 3:17 (ESV): The Lord your God is in your midst, a mighty one who will save; he will rejoice over you with gladness; he will quiet you by his love; he will exult (to spin round under the influence of any violent emotion; to be ecstatic; to leap for joy) over you with loud singing (loud shouts of triumphant joy; joyous singing that is so loud that it rattles everything.)

* Good works:

Acts 10:38 (NKJV Strong's): how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power, who went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him.

John 14:12-14 (NKJV Strong's): ¹²“Most assuredly, I say to you, he who believes in Me, the works that I do he will do also; and greater *works* than these he will do, because I go to My Father. ¹³And whatever you ask in My name, that I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴If you ask anything in My name, I will do *it*.”

*** We were born again to do the works of Jesus, to RAZE hell!!**

RAZE MEANS: 'TO TEAR DOWN; TO DEMOLISH; OVERTHROW; OVERTURN; PULL DOWN; THROW DOWN; WIPE OUT.'

Mark 16:15-20 NKJV: ¹⁵ And He said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. ¹⁶ He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned. ¹⁷ And these signs will follow those who believe: In My name they will cast out demons; they will speak with new tongues; ¹⁸ they will take up serpents; and if they drink anything deadly, it will by no means hurt them; they will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover."

¹⁹ So then, after the Lord had spoken to them, He was received up into heaven, and sat down at the right hand of God. ²⁰ And they went out and preached everywhere, the Lord working with *them* and confirming the word through the accompanying signs. Amen.