

CALLED TO SERVE

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1 Timothy 6:13 In the sight of God ... I charge you.

Four “callings” that will help us serve God & others ...

I. THE CALL TO PERSONAL _____.

A. The call to serve God is _____.

1 Timothy 6:11a But you, **man of God**, flee from all this...

B. The call to serve God demands _____.

1 Timothy 6:11b ... and **pursue** righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance and gentleness.

Q#1: Are you serving by pursuing personal _____?

II. THE CALL TO INTENTIONAL _____.

Five motivations for sharing your faith:

A. _____ certainty.

1 Timothy 6:12a Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the **eternal life**...

B. _____ proof.

1 Timothy 6:12b ...to which you were **called** when you made your good confession in the presence of many witnesses.

C. _____ realities.

1 Timothy 6:13 In the sight of God, who gives life to everything, and of Christ Jesus, who while testifying before Pontius Pilate made the **good confession, I charge you**

D. _____ hopes.

1 Timothy 6:14 to keep this command without spot or blame until the **appearing** of our Lord Jesus Christ, which God will bring about in his own time

E. _____ God.

1 Timothy 6:15-16 God, the blessed and only Ruler, the King of kings and Lord of lords, [16] who alone is immortal and who lives in unapproachable light, whom no one has seen or can see. To him be honor and might forever. Amen.

Q#2: Are you serving by sharing your _____?

III. THE CALL TO FINANCIAL _____.

A. Put your hope in _____, not money.

1 Timothy 6:17 Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their **hope** in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment.

Hebrews 13:5 "Be content with what you have. . . "

Ecclesiastes 5:10 Whoever loves money never has money enough; whoever loves wealth is never satisfied with his income. This too is meaningless.

B. Invest wisely to produce _____ rewards.

1 Timothy 6:18-19 Command them to do good, to be **rich in good deeds**, and to be generous and willing to share. [19] In this way they will lay up treasure for themselves as a firm foundation for the coming age, so that they may take hold of the life that is truly life.

Luke 16:9 "I tell you, use worldly wealth to gain friends for yourselves, so that when it is gone, you will be welcomed into eternal dwellings."

Q#3: Are you serving by investing in _____ things?

IV. THE CALL TO PURSUE _____.

1 Timothy 6:20-21a Timothy, guard what has been entrusted to your care. Turn away from godless chatter and the opposing ideas of what is falsely called knowledge, [21] which some have professed and in so doing have departed from the faith.

A. _____ doctrines lead people astray.

B. The invitation to _____ is for you!

1 Timothy 6:21b **Grace** be with you all.

Ephesians 2:8 For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—"

Acts 15:11 "No! We believe it is through the grace of our Lord Jesus that we are saved, just as they are."

Q#4: Have you received God's _____?