

SERMON NOTES



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Millennials today are looking for identity and purpose. This message is the answer.

Remember:

1. **All of us have a call on our life.**
2. **God called us before we were born.**
He has a big life for us. Don't make it small.
3. **Our mistakes don't cancel out our call.**
Romans 11:29 His call is permanent.
We are responsible to discover, pursue, and fulfill it.

When we walk in God's calling, we will be satisfied, fulfilled, and happy.

Example: On the outside, Pastor Blunt had everything, but was unhappy in 1975. He went to church service, ran to the altar, cried out to God, and offered himself as a living sacrifice.

Step 1 – **Total Surrender to God.** Romans 12:1.

Step 2 – **Get in the Presence of God.** Romans 12:2.

Renew your mind and discover the good, acceptable, and perfect will of God.

God's Word is His Will.

Where you work, where you live, etc. is the *unknown will of God*.

The Word of God is the *known will of God*.

Commit to do the known will and God will show you the unknown.

Be responsible over the 'little' and God will entrust you with the 'much'.

Linger in the presence of God.

- Joshua, servant of Moses, lingered.
- Psalm 37:23. The steps of a righteous man are ordered by the Lord.
- Enjoy this step, do the fundamentals, then He will show you the next step.
- Psalm 16:11 In His presence He will show you the path of life.
- IF you are too busy for God, then you are too busy.
- Do not find time, **make** time to be in His presence.

- When you are walking in your call, you are happy in the happenings of life.

Leave a Legacy

- Your kids will model their life after yours.
- They should see you pray, study, worship, etc.
- They should know that it is a joy to work in the house of the Lord.

We are called to live a productive life.

- You are a winner! Don't settle for small when God has big for you.
- We are here to point people to God and make God look good.
 - John 15:8 AMPC "When you bear (produce) much fruit, My Father is honored *and* glorified, and you show *and* prove yourselves to be true followers of Mine."
 - A productive life is a fruitful life. A disciple is a life-long learner.

John 15:16 AMPC "You have not chosen Me, but I have chosen you and I have appointed you [I have planted you], that you might go and bear fruit *and* keep on bearing, and that your fruit may be lasting [that it may remain, abide], so that whatever you ask the Father in My Name [as [a](#)] presenting all that I AM], He may give it to you."

- 1. God called us.**
- 2. God ordained us** (set us apart for a specific purpose).
- 3. God spoke over His Son – say it over yours:**
 - "I love you."
 - "I believe in you."
 - "You are special and you have a unique call on your life."

Leave a legacy and be an example. Be busy, active, productive, and fruitful.

Fruit of a Productive Life:

1. Fruit of Repentance

Matthew 3:8 AMPC "Bring forth fruit that is consistent with repentance [let your lives prove your change of heart]"

Show your family that God has changed you.

2. Fruit of the Spirit

Galatians 5:22 AMPC "But the fruit of the [Holy] Spirit [the work which His presence within accomplishes] is love, joy (gladness), peace, patience (an even temper, forbearance), kindness, goodness (benevolence), faithfulness, Gentleness (meekness, humility), self-control (self-restraint, continence)..."

God is more concerned about you being more like Jesus today than where you'll live or work.

3. **Fruit of Winning Souls**

Proverbs 11:30 AMPC "The fruit of the [uncompromisingly] righteous is a tree of life, and he who is wise captures human lives [for God, as a fisher of men—he gathers and receives them for eternity]."

Capture human lives – be a fisher of men.

Who have you invited to church lately? Who have you led to the Lord?

There is no greater joy than to pray with someone to receive Jesus.

4. **Fruit of a Praise Life**

Hebrews 13:15 AMPC "Through Him, therefore, let us constantly *and* at all times offer up to God a sacrifice of praise, which is the fruit of lips that thankfully acknowledge *and* confess *and* glorify His name."

When you don't know what to do, offer up the sacrifice of praise.

When you don't know the specific will of God, do the known will of God.

1 Thessalonians 5:18 AMPC "Thank [God] in everything [no matter what the circumstances may be, be thankful and give thanks], for this is the will of God for you [who are] in Christ Jesus [the Revealer and Mediator of that will]."

Thank God in everything; this is His will for you.

Christ is: 'revealer' – the will of God revealed.

'mediator' – He will connect people to you to cause the will of God to come to pass.

5. **Fruit of Giving**

Phil 4:17 KJV "Not because I desire a gift: but I desire fruit that may abound to your account."

Giving is sowing; be a generous giver.

God is calling us to more accountability.

We should be growing in generosity.

Discussion Questions:

1. What is the first step to knowing the will of God for your life and have you taken that step in your life?

2. How does your life exemplify the fruit of a productive life?