



Decade of Availability Are You Available?

Since Adam, God has been calling and sending people to accomplish His perfect will on earth. So the question is, has God called you to anything and if He has what is it? And is He sending you to do anything?

A. Who Are The Sent?

1. The Old Testament: Many like Isaiah and Moses were called and sent on great missions. It takes less than an hour or two to read about them in the Bible—but it took them a lifetime to live it out.

2. The New Testament: The disciples were called and sent out with a specific ministry assignment. Jesus sent the 12 out (*Luke 9:1-6*) and then the 70 (*Luke 10:1-9*) and then all who would ever name the name of Jesus (*Matt 28:19-20*).

3. Right here and right now: Is God still sending His people? Listen to what Jesus said just before He left the earth:

“But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.” *Acts 1:8*

4. What about us? If we peel away all of the exploits of the famous Bible characters who were sent—the heart of the matter is that they were WILLING to go. A willingness to be led by God is fundamental to ‘service’ in the Kingdom.

B. What Are They Sent To Do?

1. Fulfill Christ’s mission: *Luke 4:18* If *Matt 28:18-19* is the **Great Commission** then *Luke 4* is the **Great Mission**:

“He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted,
To proclaim liberty to the captives
And recovery of sight to the blind,
To set at liberty those who are oppressed...”

C. How Will It Be Done?

1. Go for God: *Isa 6:8* The question comes from the very throne of God: Who will go for us? Isaiah simply says that he will go! God goes on to tell Isaiah the specifics of what he was to do: Tell something to the people. (See *Isaiah 6:9-12*)

2. Pray: *Matt 9:37-38* “*The harvest truly is plentiful, but the laborers are few. 38 Therefore pray the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest.*”

3. Use wisdom: *John 10:16* “*Behold, I send you out as sheep in the midst of wolves. Therefore be wise as serpents and harmless as doves.*”

4. Be led by the Spirit of God: *Acts 14:4* “*So, being sent out by the Holy Spirit, they went down to Seleucia, and from there they sailed to Cyprus.*”

D. Where Will it Be Done? Spanning a time line of over 1500 years, Abraham, Moses, Samuel, Isaiah and Ananias all said the same thing when God called them: “Here am I.” The ‘where’ is wherever I am!

Near the end of His ministry, Jesus said this to His disciples in John 20:21

**“Then said Jesus to them again, Peace be unto you:
as my Father hath sent me, even so send I you.”
Today He is still sending us....**

Isaiah 6:5-8 (NKJV)

4 And the posts of the door were shaken by the voice of him who cried out, and the house was filled with smoke.

5 So I said: “Woe is me, for I am undone! Because I am a man of unclean lips, And I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; For my eyes have seen the King, The Lord of hosts.”

6 Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a live coal which he had taken with the tongs from the altar. 7 And he touched my mouth with it, and said: “Behold, this has touched your lips; Your iniquity is taken away, And your sin purged.” 8 Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying:

“Whom shall I send,
And who will go for Us?”
Then I said,

“Here am I! Send me.”

Matt 28:19-20 (NKJV)

18 And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, “All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth.

19 Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, **20** teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.” Amen.

Here Am I

