



THE CALLING

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The High Calling of God

The concept and purpose of a divine call is not something we create, it is something God places within us.

- A strong inner impulse toward a particular course of action especially when accompanied by conviction of *divine influence*.
- Often we use our imperfections as an *excuse* for us to not serve or honor God in the way he has called us.

- God uses a *miracle* to ensure Jonah would go to where God wanted him to be.
- Often God's call was not *comfortable* or convenient for them.

- All of us who are called by God have a *responsibility* to do His work and build the church, which is the body of Christ.
- For Paul, calling was not a final destination it was a *journey*.

- The Bible uses the words ‘Call’ and ‘Calling’ in different theological ways, the words are used in connection with *appointment*.
- Every Christian is called by God for a *specific purpose*.

1. The Call to Salvation:

- The Call to Salvation is a call that is made to every person in the world.
- It is the call to accept the sacrifice of Jesus as full payment for our sin.

2. The Call to Sanctification

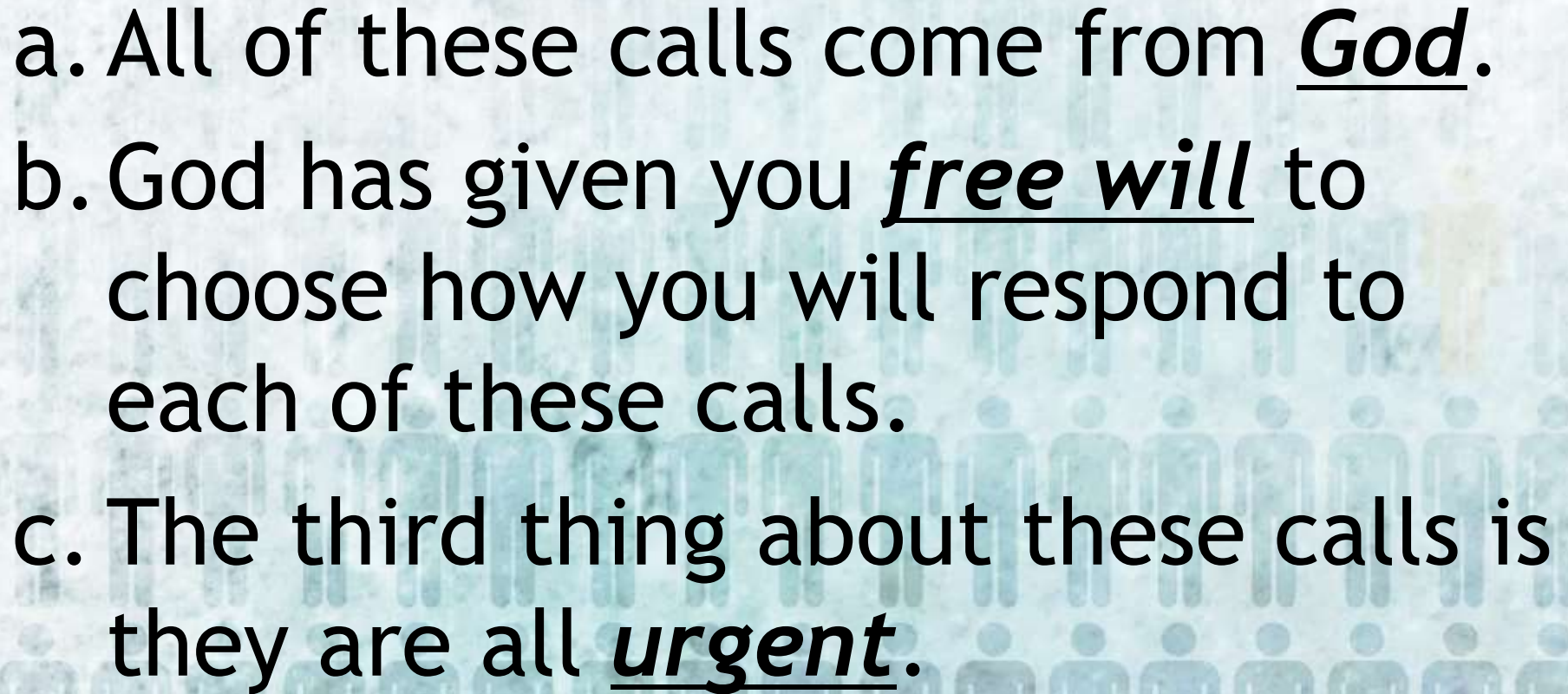
- The word “sanctify” means to set apart.

- The Call to Sanctification is a call to live a changed life, a new-life, a born-again life, a Spirit-filled life.

3. The Call to *Service*

- And we are called to service to *demonstrate* His love.



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- a. All of these calls come from God.
 - b. God has given you free will to choose how you will respond to each of these calls.
 - c. The third thing about these calls is they are all urgent.

- Choosing not to make a choice is actually choosing to reject God's call.

