

Deeper Life Notes

Called Out - "Sustained" (1 Corinthians 1:4-9)

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WARM UP

Do your beliefs about God and life impact your behavior? Give an example or two...

CALLED OUT

God often reminds us of our blessings in Christ (our first 5 weeks in 1 Corinthians):

→ In Christ we are:

1. Set apart
2. Sustained
3. United - in our position
4. United - in our proclamation
5. Given Wisdom - secret yet revealed

READ

1 Corinthians 1:4-9 (ESV) -

4 I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus, 5 that in every way you were enriched in him in all speech and all knowledge— 6 even as the testimony about Christ was confirmed among you— 7 so that you are not lacking in any gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ, 8 who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. 9 God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

THE CHURCH IS SUSTAINED BY GOD IN 3 WAYS:

1. BY A PROMISE _____¹ (v.4)

→ we are graced with the gospel! (see Romans 1:16-17)

¹FULFILLED

“Grace is the free undeserved gift from God to me of: value despite past sin, power to not sin today, and hope to not sin tomorrow - which cost God an infinite price so, if accepted, reasonably asks of me my all.”

-Dr. Verle Bell

APPLY

2. BY A _____² GIVEN (vv.5-6)

→ **salvation** (Romans 6:23)

→ **spiritual empowerment** (1 Corinthians 12:4-10, 1 Timothy 4:14, 1 Peter 4:10)

APPLY

3. BY THE _____³ OF GOD (vv.7-9)

→ in Christ we have sufficiency, security, & fellowship! (2 Peter 1:3-5)

APPLY

What will sustain you -- ?

in life?

at work?

in failure?

in death?

at worship?

in health?

in marriage?

in conflict?

in sickness?

in singleness?

in success?

in confusion?

² GIFT

³ FAITHFULNESS