

**The Call**  
**A Study in Galatians**  
**Galatians 1: 11-24**

Who are you going to listen to?

Paul uses his calling to prove his point.

**Paul tells of...**

- **His past as a** \_\_\_\_\_
  
- **His call being** \_\_\_\_\_
  
- **His time as a** \_\_\_\_\_

What about your story?

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**Message Application:**

All of us are evangelists. Oh you may never get up and deliver a message like I do. You may never be asked to preach. That doesn't mean you are not an evangelist my friend. You see, one of the definitions for an evangelist is, "*someone who talks about something with great enthusiasm.*"

Every time you enthusiastically tell someone about a movie you just saw or a restaurant you just ate at or a store you just got a deal at; you became an evangelist. If you are a Jesus-follower then you have experienced the greatest person in the world to be enthusiastic about.

Jesus doesn't call us to stand on the city street corner shouting like a prophet of doom. What he does call us to do is to be naturally enthusiastic about him and offer to tell your story about how he changed you to those who will listen.

You do have a story you know. Really you do, even when you don't think you have. Let me prove it to you.

- Was there a time you were not a Christian? What was your life like?
- Do you come to trust in Jesus? What were the circumstances surrounding that time?
- What changes have come in your life from trusting Jesus and living for him?

That's your story. You might not consider your story as "flashy" or dramatic as the Apostle Paul's; but please don't underestimate what the Holy Spirit wants to do with your story!

There are people out in the world that will never relate to Paul's story, but they will relate to your story. So pray every morning that the Holy Spirit opens up opportunities for you to tell your story to those who need to hear it. Then tell your story to them!

Unless, your life hasn't been changed by Jesus. Unless you are not having a daily walk with him. If that is the case my friend, you need to meet Jesus. I don't care how long you have gone to church. It doesn't matter if you are a member of a church. If Jesus isn't the most exciting person in your life; if your encounter with him doesn't bring enthusiasm to your life, then you probably don't know him. In which case your story lacks divine power and you need to meet the living Jesus.

This week, think about your story. Meditate on how His story intercepted you. Pray that you are given an opportunity to tell your story to others. Then you know what to do, don't you? Tell your story!

Grace & Peace,  
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