

GULFSHORES CHURCH OF CHRIST

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A Part of God's Team

Introduction:

1. The Christian walk is not a lonely walk (**Romans 12:3-8**).
2. We are blessed to share our walk with many other believers.
3. Do you see yourself as part of God's team?

Discussion:

I. God Calls Us

- A. We are called through the gospel (remember **Luke 24, Acts 1**).
Matthew 28:18-20, Mark 16:15-16
- B. The world is upside down because of Satan and evil.
Ephesians 1:18
- C. We need to stay focused on our goal.
Matthew 7:21ff
- D. If I keep in mind that God called me to this great work then I will not get so easily distracted or discouraged.

II. Christ Saves Us

- A. There is no doubt that Christ can save mankind.
John 3:16
- B. He is our great and perfect example.
I Peter 2:21-25
- C. The Bereans received the word and searched the scriptures.
Acts 17:11
- D. By searching the Scriptures we can learn about Jesus/kingdom living.
II Timothy 3:16-17

III. The Holy Spirit Convicts Us

- A. It is tragic that many people today have put their names on the do not call list (God's List).
- B. We are the called through the gospel message
Romans 1:6, 10:17, Colossians 2:12
- C. We are called to be saints.
I Corinthians 1:2-3
- D. When God calls he should never get a busy signal, after all He is not too busy for us!
James 5:16-18

VI. Satan Blinds Us

- A. He can easily blind us to our calling as Christ's disciples.
- B. Those who do not believe and obey are easily blinded.
II Corinthians 4:4
- C. Christ came to give us light.
Luke 19:10, II Timothy 1:9
- D. We have the choice to be blinded by the darkness or reflect light of the light of the world.
Matthew 5:14-16

Conclusion:

1. Listen to the prayer of Jesus in **John 17:20-23**.
2. Are you doing your part to bring growth to the church?
3. Are you ready to build up the kingdom?