

Lord, Here Am I, Send Someone Else!

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Introduction: Have you ever been chosen, but wished you weren't? Several biblical characters found themselves in that same predicament. What can we learn from these Bible characters?

Discussion:

I. What Can We Learn From Jonah?

A. Consider Jonah's Call (Jonah 1:1-2)

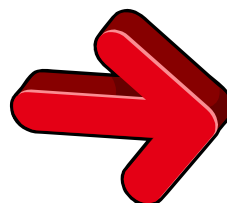
- Jonah's Call Was Personal
- Jonah's Call Was Pointed
- Jonah's Call Was Purposeful

B. Consider Jonah's Fall (Jonah 1:3-2:10)

- Jonah's Fall Was Calculated
- Jonah's Fall Was Continuous
- Jonah's Fall Was Costly

C. Consider Jonah's Blessing (Jonah 3-4)

- Jonah Was Blessed To See The Grace of God
- Jonah Was Blessed To See The Work of God
- Jonah Was Blessed To See The Mercy of God



II. What Can We Learn From Isaiah?

A. Consider Isaiah's Call (Isaiah 6:1-4)

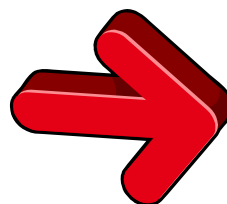
- Isaiah's Call Was Personal
- Isaiah's Call Was Pointed
- Isaiah's Call Was Purposeful

B. Consider Isaiah's Success (Isaiah 6:5-13)

- Isaiah's Confession
- Isaiah's Consecration
- Isaiah's Commission

C. Consider Isaiah's Blessing (Isaiah 6:1-13)

- Isaiah's Was Blessed To See The Presence of God
- Isaiah's Was Blessed To See The Word of God
- Isaiah's Was Blessed To See The Work of God



III. What Will You Do?

A. How Will You Respond To God's Call?

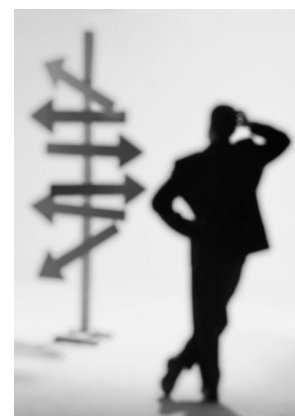
- God Is Calling You Personally
- God Is Calling You Pointedly
- God Is Calling You Purposefully

B. Will You Fail or Will You Succeed?

- You Can Make A Calculated Mistake or Confess Your Sins
- You Can Continue Making Our Mistakes or Be Consecrated
- You Can Pay The High Cost or Accept Your Commission

C. How Will You View The Blessing of God?

- You Can Reject God's Grace or Enjoy The Presence of God
- You Can Ignore The Work of God or Join Him
- You Can Despise The Word of God or Preach It



Conclusion: God still calls us today. We can reply, "Here am I..send me!" Or we can say, "Here am I..send someone else!" God will accomplish work whether we are on board or not, but His blessings are worth it!

WORD OF THE DAY = "Lord"