

# Taking up the Cross

Today, in the name of Jesus Christ, we recognize your God-given calling:

*You are called and commissioned to be:*

- Courageous warrior
- Obedient and much loved son of the Most High God
- Faithful servant
- Co-heir with Christ
- Wise Berean
- Defender of the widow and orphan
- Father to the fatherless
- Justice seeker for the alien
- Refresher of the poor
- Joint intercessor in Heavenly Places

**AND**

*You are called to your full inheritance in Christ:*

- Into your full gifts and talents and to any office to which the Lord has or may grant to you in the future
- Into the manifest generational blessings bestowed upon you through your family line
- Into a wise and full use of all of your God-given resources-physical, emotional and spiritual.

*You are further called to accept your place in the church of Jesus Christ and all the attendant rights and responsibilities granted and assumed by you as a member of the body of Christ, including your responsibilities to:*

- Love your neighbor
- To serve others and the Lord Jesus
- To build up the Body of Christ through the godly use of your gifts and talents
- To be prepared to lay down your life for another

**Question: Do you confirm today this calling and commission and do you recognize it as evident over your life?**

**Answer: I DO !**

**Commissioning and Calling : Based on your acceptance of and consent to these callings and commissions (including any other callings and commissions which the Lord may have for you), today you are called forward into your *full place in Christ*.**