

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