

Unqualified But Chosen

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[0 : 00] and just go to the first Corinthians. I'll tell you exactly where to go here in a minute. So, um, I was thinking about on tonight, if I was to bring all of the children inside the sanctuary right now, and if I was to bring them in here without them knowing anything, if I was to say, Hey, all the kids come in and then I was to say, I need a volunteer.

Just about 100% of those children will raise their hands and do all they can to get my attention to say, choose me. They're okay with whatever it is, whether it's a prize, whether it's a question, they believe that whatever you're calling me to do, I'm qualified to do it. They have no problem saying, choose me. But then as we get older, if I was to say, I need a volunteer, we will all look around the room first before we decide whether or not we're going to raise our hand.

All of us will first be like, what she want? What could she possibly want with me? I'm, I'm not going to volunteer. I'm not going to be the one to say anything because just in case she asks me something, I don't know.

I don't want to be exposed. Just in case there's something that I don't want, I don't, I just can't do it and we will not raise our hand. My husband and I haven't been married very long. We've been married since January, but in our dating, he was very consistent. He is very consistent. I don't say it in past that he's very consistent.

He's very considerate. He's very loving. Um, when we were dating, he even, when he would call me, he called in love. He was consistent in love. He, he never made me feel like I was a burden or I ever got on his nerve. Since marrying him, he's just gotten better. He takes out the trash in love. When he wakes me up in the morning, he doesn't yell at me. He wakes me up in love. All the way up until he, he dated me right. You know, he, he was a good man. He is a good man. So then January the 27th, after we said I do, we took 15 minutes in the back and I looked at him, I said, we really did it. We here, we did it.

[2 : 40] And he was like, yes, I'm happy. Are you happy? I'm like, yeah, this is it. We came out and we mingled with family and we went to our, our part to be together. And I remember looking at him and I said, why did you choose me?

Now, after he loved me and I love him, everything was great. I still question, why did you choose me?

And he had the proper answer. I'm gonna tell y'all what his answer was here shortly. But he said, I had to have that question. And the reason why I think I, this week I thought on that and I said, why did I ask him? Why did he choose me if he had already asked me to marry him? And it's because no matter in our lives, when people choose us or pick us, we still want to pick apart why we weren't good for somebody else.

We still want to, even though we know that that person wasn't good for us, that relationship, that job, whatever it was, was not good for us. We still want to know why we were not chosen.

never sits right with you when somebody overlooks you and pick somebody else. Because it's like, well, what's wrong with me? And all it does is add to the insecurities that we have on the inside.

[4 : 12] But in the word of God, the word of God is very encouraging and it gives us a message on in the word of God. It says, listen, the Lord says in first Corinthians, he said, you know, I, I know what man looks like. This was Peter who was talking to us. He said, I, I know what man looks at, but God doesn't look at that. He doesn't look at what others look like. We can sit here and say, well, why did he choose me to do this? There are so many other qualified people because he didn't want to.

It wasn't in the will. And so when I thought about it, I thought about who in the Bible, there were so many, so many men and women of God that were chosen in the word of God. So many were chosen, but were not qualified.

chosen and not qualified. There were many, but one that stuck out to me most would have been David.

David stuck out to me most because David was overlooked by his own father. I know I told you I would turn to first Corinthians, but listen, go with me to first Samuel, the 16th chapter. We're going to look at the story of David. So I'm going to give you a little bit background as how David ended up being the anointed one. Okay. So there, Samuel, um, at this time, Saul is king.

Saul messed up. And Samuel had to be the one. Samuel was like the, you know, y'all know who Samuel is. Samuel is wise. And, and Samuel had to be the one who had to go and tell, to find a new one to anoint. And when it came to, um, Saul, Samuel was like, God, you want me to go and anoint somebody else. Do you know who Sam, Saul is? He going to get me. I, you can, you're going to send me on a journey to get messed up. God says, do just what I tell you to do because the next one that will be appointed or anointed is in Jesse's house.

[6 : 51] And so then he says, okay, he said, I do just what he said. He said, but now if I go and do this, you, it's all here, this then I'm gone. And the Lord said, go and get a sacrifice. And when you get there, tell them that it's going to be a sacrifice that's going to happen. And then that way that'll get you there. But what I need you to make sure is that Jesse and his sons are invited to the sacrifice. All right. And that leads us right up to chapter 16 in first Samuel, first Samuel chapter 16. Now we're here and let me get my phone. I don't have my glasses, but we're going to see what's going to happen.

Okay. And the Lord said unto Samuel, how long will thou mourn for Saul seeing I have rejected him from reigning over Israel? Fill thy horn with oil and go and I will send thee to Jesse the Bethlehemite for I have provided me a king among his sons. And Samuel said, how can I go? If Saul hear it, he will kill me. And the Lord said, take a helper with thee and say, I am come to sacrifice to the Lord and call Jesse to the sacrifice. And I will show thee what thou shall do and thou shall anoint unto me him who I am unto thee. And Samuel did that which the Lord spake and came to Bethlehem and the elder of the town trembled at his coming and said, cometh thou peacefully? And he said, peacefully, I am come to sacrifice unto the Lord. Sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice. And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and called them to the sacrifice. And it came to pass when they had come that he looked on Elah and said, surely the Lord's anointed is before him. So, he's there and it's now time to anoint someone. Jesse brings out his son. And let me tell y'all,

Jesse has some good looking sons. So, you got to know about Saul. Saul was a good looking man. Saul was a foot, what did he say, a head above everybody else? He was nice in stature. Saul was where he was, you know, Saul was a nice looking king. And you got to know this too about Saul. Saul was appointed king because the people wanted him, not because God wanted them to have it. I stopped by to tell you this. This is just a side note. The Lord would give you what you ask for. Even if he didn't say that's what you really need. Be careful what you ask the Lord for if you're not in his will. They asked for Saul. And the Lord appointed them Saul.

He gave them just what they asked for. So, you know, Saul's this good looking guy and, you know, now he didn't mess up and so he's out. So, now they're at Jesse's house and Jesse's first son comes up. And I can imagine Samuel probably thought, oh, this is easy.

This is just too easy. Here he is. He's a fine looking man. He's the oldest, but he has his ways, okay? He wasn't, he had a bad heart, you know, he not a bad heart, but a bad heart, you know, but he's tall. He's nice looking. He's fine. He's easy to look upon. And the Lord said, hey, calm down. He ain't it.

[10 : 46] You all look at the outward and I look at the inward. So, he had to go. Then the next son shows up. And remember, he has the oil and the oil didn't flow for the first son. The oil didn't flow for the second son. It didn't flow for the third son and it didn't flow for all seven of his sons. The oil didn't flow.

He brought all of them before him. And Samuel looks at Jesse and says to him, is this all your children? Is there another? So, can you imagine what that would do to David? If you tell me that my, that the next to be anointed is in the house, but yet you called all them and never called me. So, Jesse looks at Samuel and said, yeah, there's one more.

He's ruddy and he's out there tending the sheep. He said, get them and bring them to me. I'll wait here until he comes. So, he goes out. They go and send for David to come in and here come David and the Bible says that David was this ruddy, good looking guy. Probably about 163 pounds. I'm gonna say he was 163.

Puny guy. But look, good looking. Puny but good looking. He comes in and immediately the Lord told Samuel anointing. He anointed him. Out of everybody else, he anointed him. And I stopped and I said, Lord, how was that possible? He's not charismatic. He doesn't talk. He was in the field. So, what are you really trying to show me out of David and his anointing? The Lord says, I'm sovereign. I do what I want, when I want, how I want, and for who I want. Because why? I'm a sovereign God. He was chosen out of everybody else. David got called from the pastor to the palace. And I just stopped by to tell you that each and every one of you are chosen. When God called you, the oil began to flow. The oil flow for you. The oil flow for you.

The oil flow for you. I don't care where he got you from. He could have got you out the alcohol house. The drug house. He could have got you out of a bad job, a bad marriage. He could have got you out of anything. But I just stopped by to tell you that you are the chosen of God.

[13 : 39] The oil flows from you. Because you, God has called. You don't need a degree. You can have as many degrees as a thermometer and still not, God not call you. It does not matter what you have.

It's what is in your heart. And God is going to use you just like he's going to use me. God is going to call you just like he's going to call him. It does not matter. You are the chosen of God. He has need of you. The only requirement for you to be chosen and picked by God is for you to have a heart willing to serve him.

That's what it was with David. They told David, David said he's a, he's a man at the God's own heart. So I bid you to know that I don't care where you been. I don't care what you've done. I don't care who you hurt. I don't care about none of those things. God said it's not what they want. It's what I want. And because I want you, I will qualify you.

He qualifies the unqualified. God loves you just the way you are. And guess what? We don't have to go get dressed up. We don't have to go get a big vocabulary. I know I didn't say ain't, I'm going to be, I just said everything that's in my dictionary. And God still loves me just like he loves you. And so I want you to know that the oil flows for you too. I love you.