

Contentment in Christ

Sent by God: Discerning and Living Out Your Calling to Preach

Heavenly Father,
Do not rebuke me in your anger
Do not discipline me and us in your wrath
Be gracious to us to serve your kingdom while we are dealing with our trials, tribulations, temptation, bondage and sin.
Help us when we are weak
Rescue and save us from sin and all unrighteousness
Rescue and save us from bondage, wickedness, temptation and idolatry
Guide us to be wise Christians and disciples
In Jesus name,
Amen

This sermon will talk more about myself and how I got my calling. This sermon will be more specific about how I got my calling because I want people I met in Houston, Detroit, New York, Atlanta, Louisville and Philadelphia. I believe and got my calling to preach and seek God in my life is the time I became homeless for the first time in 2011. When I could not get money from my family in tough and bad economic times because I believed God was telling me something from his kingdom and wanted me to serve out his kingdom and let Christ Jesus be my supplier and provider for what I need in my life. It is like what I said at that time that I was not able to go to my family for help in 2011 to the present. My biological father and some family members on his side of the family are able to really help me out in bad and tough economic times. My mother and stepfather's side of the family talked negatively about them for many years and my stepfather and mother side of the family always act so fake friends around them that they are them. That is 100% fact. My sister always talked about my sister so negatively behind her back and that is 100% fact. I started to lose my possessions and stuff in 2011 and started to work for it under God kingdom to get everything back. I like to leave a legacy on earth after I die. I am getting everything back because of all the cheerful giving I do over the years to the Lord and giving back to the community. I am starting to gain everything back right away from the Lord. Say to the person next to you: God is the rock of my salvation. I believe I lost my student housing and living in poverty was a sign from God and able to continue to get my higher education going forward without family members. It was a sign that I need God in my life to start living the right way spiritually. I was baptized and born again on September 4, 2011. Today, my spiritual gifts are shepherding, wisdom, prophecy and teaching. My congregation started out with male members of Black/African Americans and Latino/Hispanic up to 2022 according to records from Membership development Ministry. The congregation started to gain more women members from late 2022 to present. My congregation makes up 59.3% women members and 40.4% men according to records from Membership Development Ministry. There are 491 members that are children and youth according to the Membership Development Ministry.

“The LORD gave me this message: I knew you before I formed you in your mother’s womb. Before you were born I set you apart and appointed you as my prophet to the nations. O Sovereign LORD,” I said, “I can’t speak for you! I’m too young! The LORD replied, ‘Don’t say, I’m too young,’ for you must go wherever I send you and say whatever I tell you. And don’t be afraid of

the people, for I will be with you and will protect you. I, the LORD, have spoken! Then the LORD reached out and touched my mouth and said, Look, I have put my words in your mouth! Today I appoint you to stand up against nations and kingdoms. Some you must uproot and tear down, destroy and overthrow. Others you must build up and plant.”-Jeremiah 1:4-10

“It was in the year King Uzziah died that I saw the Lord. He was sitting on a lofty throne, and the train of his robe filled the Temple. Attending him were mighty seraphim, each having six wings. With two wings they covered their faces, with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. They were calling out to each other, Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of Heaven’s Armies! The whole earth is filled with his glory! Their voices shook the Temple to its foundations, and the entire building was filled with smoke. Then I said, It’s all over! I am doomed, for I am a sinful man. I have filthy lips, and I live among people with filthy lips. Yet I have seen the King, the LORD of Heaven’s Armies. Then one of the seraphim flew to me with a burning coal he had taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. He touched my lips with it and said, “See, this coal has touched your lips. Now your guilt is removed, and your sins are forgiven. Then I heard the Lord asking, “Whom should I send as a messenger to these people? Who will go for us? I said, “Here I am. Send me.”-Isaiah 6:1-8

“But how can they call on him to save them unless they believe in him? And how can they believe in him if they have never heard about him? And how can they hear about him unless someone tells them? And how will anyone go and tell them without being sent? That is why the Scriptures say, “How beautiful are the feet of messengers who bring good news!”-Romans 10:14-15

“Among the prophets and teachers of the church at Antioch of Syria were Barnabas, Simeon (called “the black man, Lucius (from Cyrene), Manaen (the childhood companion of King Herod Antipas), and Saul. One day as these men were worshiping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, “Appoint Barnabas and Saul for the special work to which I have called them.” So after more fasting and prayer, the men laid their hands on them and sent them on their way.”-Acts 13:1-3

“I solemnly urge you in the presence of God and Christ Jesus, who will someday judge the living and the dead when he comes to set up his Kingdom: Preach the word of God. Be prepared, whether the time is favorable or not. Patiently correct, rebuke, and encourage your people with good teaching. For a time is coming when people will no longer listen to sound and wholesome teaching. They will follow their own desires and will look for teachers who will tell them whatever their itching ears want to hear. They will reject the truth and chase after myths. But you should keep a clear mind in every situation. Don’t be afraid of suffering for the Lord. Work at telling others the Good News, and fully carry out the ministry God has given you.”-2 Timothy 4:1-5

“Now these are the gifts Christ gave to the church: the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, and the pastors and teachers. Their responsibility is to equip God’s people to do his work and build up the church, the body of Christ.”-Ephesians 4:11-12

Paul charges Timothy to preach the word. Pastors and teachers are gifts Jesus gives to the church for equipping the saints. Paul warns Timothy about times when people will not end up with sound doctrine.

- Reflect your journey
- Areas of growth
- Seek counsel and prayer
- Commitment

The areas I need to work and grow as a Bishop and man of God to stop being too political in my sermons in the pulpit, although I am speaking the truth about ungodliness in today's society. I need to preach more on the importance of tithing so the church can be able to do more to help the homeless and give back to the community. I need to help learn how to seek more help to appoint loyal, committed, motivated and professional board members going forward. After I was born on earth from my mother's womb, I believe I was chosen to serve God's kingdom. My mother and other family members did not know about it. I got most of the spiritual gifts from my biological father's side of the family when my grandmother used to teach the Bible to me every week. As a man of God and Bishop, I am not afraid of no one because I know and believe God will rescue me in any situation alone as I have strong faith in God. As Long as you have strong faith in God, Christ Jesus can rescue you from bondage, sin, temptation, abomination, tax collector, Mammon and idolatry. LGBTQ community is a basket of sinful deplorables. I have fasted since 2011 for the Lord. I believe my pre-existing condition called autoimmune pancreatitis disease was a sign from God to give me a sign that I need to stop harming my body. I am trustworthy, self controlled, sensible, respectable, able to reach, not a drinker or smoker, do not bully or cyberbully, and not all about greed. I am not a taker. That is why I donate most of my personal finances to help the homeless and needy. I encourage you to preach with good prejudice. I try to avoid people like ungodliness, atheists, lovers of pleasure, conceited, reckless, wickedness, traitors, brutal, slanderers, no self control, irresponsible, unloving, unholy, ungrateful, disobedience to parents, demeaning, proud, lovers of self, lovers of money, boastful, tax collector, and people use profanity a lot. I am able to appoint pastors and ministers to the church, but I need to practice appointing more loyal pastors willing to serve for the congregation. I believe in hard work as a Bishop and head of this flock because I am a hard worker that is an actual proactive person and reaches my goals in my life. I am not like hoodlums and thuggish people in this country that are judgemental and like to hate on people like me that are proactive and have nothing or no goals that like to be lazy and live off Government subsidies as well as support the sucker of the Democratic party in this nation. Thuggish and hoodlums in this nation are irresponsible and are 100% fact. I am consistent and disciplined because I was told by other pastors and case managers in Houston, Atlanta, Chicago and Detroit says that I need to continue to do what I am doing as a spiritual gifted man of God and Bishop of Lord Jesus Christ Community Baptist Church.

The church needs to raise \$2,900 for consultation fees to continue working with StartChurch to finish setting up church operations and place safeguards for the economically and financially. I ask for help on behalf of the church from members and people in the community in the USA and overseas. My virtues are

serving and helping the homeless and needy, prayer, depend and treat God as my source and provider not the world, provide brotherly love to Christians and disciples, increase discipleship and stewardship to God and his kingdom, pay tithes and offerings to and in church. I started to let God work in me and move and think too fast to accomplish things. I have been teaching Bible classes once a month since 2015 in Chicago, Detroit, Atlanta, Houston, New York and Philadelphia.

I am only supposed to eat foods that are nonfat, fruits, vegetables, and light by eating 4-6 times a day, steamed, broiled. I am not supposed to be eating greasy and fried foods. If I eat foods with fats and sugars, it goes right through my immune system and I have to go to the restroom two hours later so my body can get rid of the fats and sugars in the body.