



A Foolish Messenger

1 CORINTHIANS 1:26-31

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Introduction

The foolishness of the messenger does not change the message.

God's power is most clearly seen when it fills an entirely ordinary vessel.

As foolish messengers and ordinary vessels, we are perfect instruments for the glory of God.

Today we will be prepared for God's use by learning three truths.

1. You Have Been _____ v. 26

a. Called to _____ v. 26a

Calling – κλήσις (klēsis)

I am called to have a _____ with Jesus Christ.

b. Called to _____ v. 26b

Wise – σοφός (sophos)

Flesh – σάρξ (sarx)

Proverbs 9:10

Mighty – δυνατός (dynatos)

Noble – εὐγενής (eugenēs)

Romans 11:33

I have been called to _____ faithful service.

2. You have Been _____ vv. 27-29

a. Chosen to _____ vv. 27-28

Foolish things – μωρός (mōros)

Base – ἀγενής (agenēs)

Despised – ἐξουθενέω (exoutheneō)

Bring to nothing – καταργέω (katargeō)

When yielded to Christ my social _____ doesn't matter.

b. Chosen to _____ v. 29

Glory – καυχάομαι (kauchaomai)

God has chosen me for His _____.

3. You Have Been _____ vv. 30-31

a. Equipped by _____ v. 30

Are – ἐστέ (este)

Righteousness – δικαιοσύνη (dikaiosynē)

Romans 4:19-25

Sanctification – ἁγιασμός (hagiasmos)

Everything I need to serve the Lord has been _____ to me in Christ.

b. Equipped to _____ v. 31

Colossians 2:10

Jeremiah 9:24

I have been equipped by Christ for the _____ of Christ.

Conclusion

By right of purchase, I belong to Christ.

I have value and worth because I am His.

Are there lies I am believing about myself?

Am I serving Christ, or making excuses?

COMMITMENT:

Though we are weak, foolish, and undeserving; we are vessels of His glory.

There is no greater blessing than to be used by God to spread the good news of Christ.

Usefulness to God does not depend on position or ability; it depends on faithfulness.

Boast in the power of God that uses us _____ vessels to bring Christ glory!