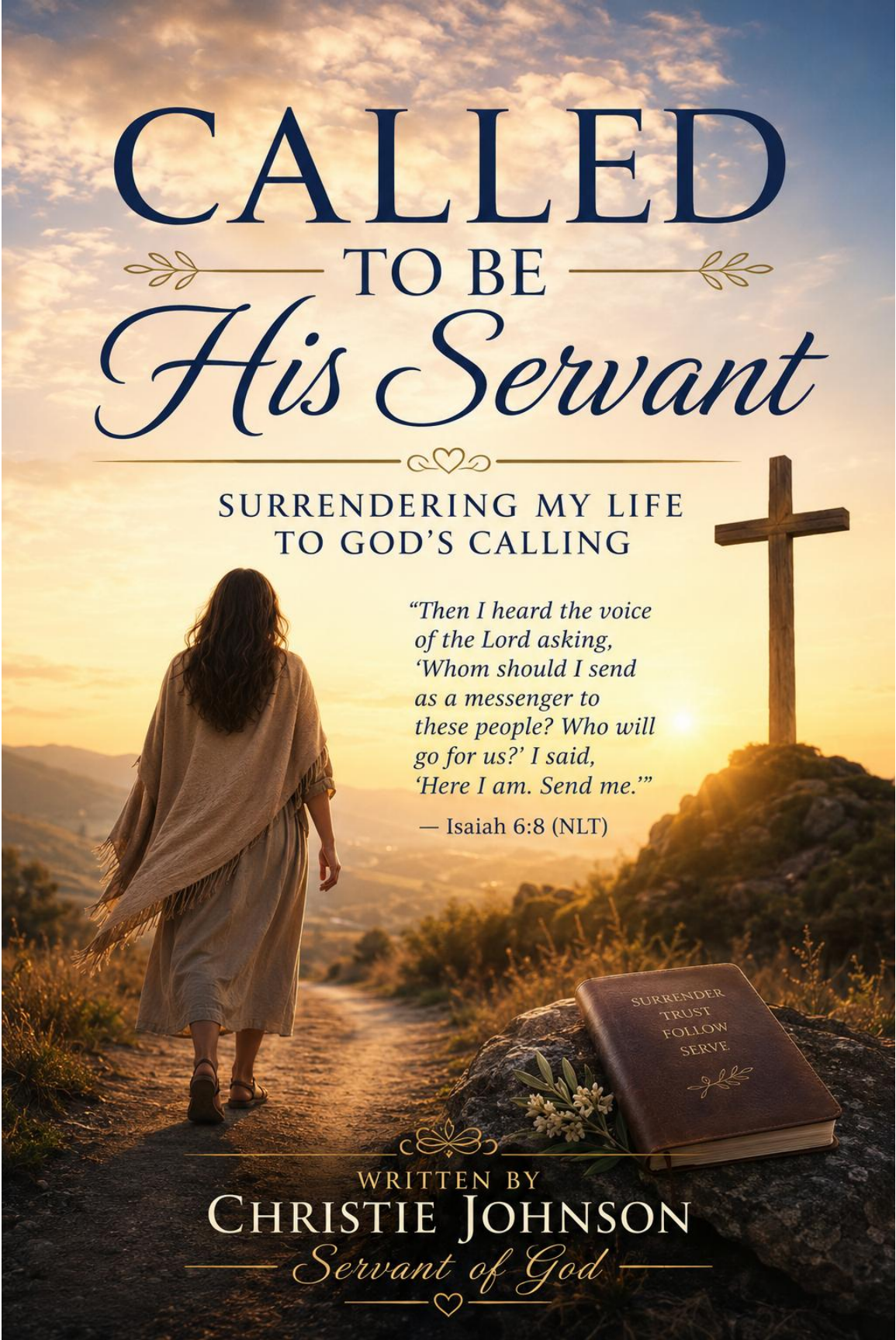




CALLED TO BE *His Servant*

SURRENDERING MY LIFE
TO GOD'S CALLING

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— Isaiah 6:8 (NLT)

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Thank you for taking the time to study God's Word through this resource.

My prayer is that every page points you to Jesus Christ rather than to me. Any wisdom found in these pages comes from God's Word and from His faithful work in my own life. My desire is simply to faithfully teach His Word, encourage your walk with Him, and help you continue growing into the disciple He has created you to be.

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Surrendering My Life to God's Calling

"Then I heard the voice of 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 6:8

There was a time in my life when I never imagined God could use someone like me.

My past was filled with brokenness, abuse, rejection, grief, disappointment, and years of believing lies about my worth. For a long time, I thought those experiences would define the rest of my life. I couldn't see beyond the pain, and I certainly couldn't imagine God using it for His glory.

But God saw something I couldn't.

Long before I recognized His hand at work, He was preparing me. Every hardship, every tear, every unanswered question became part of the story He was writing. Looking back now, I can see that God never wasted a single moment. Even when I couldn't understand what He was doing, He was faithfully working in every circumstance. As Romans 8:28 reminds us, "And we know that God causes everything to work together for the good of those who love God and are called according to his purpose for them."

When I surrendered my life to Jesus Christ on April 9, 2006, I thought I was simply asking Him to save me. What I didn't realize was that I was also placing my entire life in His hands. That decision began a journey that continues today's journey of learning what it truly means to surrender.

God has shown me that surrender is not a one-time decision. It is a daily choice to trust Him instead of myself, to follow His leader instead of my own plans, and to allow Him to transform every area of my life. There have been times when surrender was difficult because it required letting go of fear, control, pride, and the desire to understand everything before taking the next step. Yet each time I chose to trust Him, He proved Himself faithful. I have learned the truth of

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart; do not depend on your own understanding. Seek His will in all you do, and He will show you which path to take."

Proverbs 3:5–6

Through His Word, the Holy Spirit has patiently renewed my mind, healed wounds I thought would never heal, and replaced the lies I believed with His truth. He has taught me that my identity is not found in what happened to me but in who I am because of Jesus Christ. As Scripture says, *"Anyone who belongs to Christ has become a new person. The*

old life is gone; a new life has begun!" (2 Corinthians 5:17). As He transformed my heart, He also began revealing the calling He had placed on my life.

God has not called me to build a ministry for myself.

He has called me to be His servant.

That calling is both simple and life changing. God has called me to point people to Jesus Christ. He has called me to walk alongside those who are broken, hurting, rejected, abused, discouraged, and spiritually weary, reminding them that there is hope because there is a Savior who still heals, restores, and transforms lives.

I do not believe God allowed my experiences to define me. I believe He has redeemed them so they can become a testimony of His grace. The very places where I once experienced the deepest pain have become the places where He has given me the greatest compassion for others. Today, when I meet someone who felt forgotten or overwhelmed, I understood because I have been there. More importantly, I know the One who brought me through.

God has called me to serve through writing, teaching, discipleship, mentoring, prayer, and encouragement. Whether I am sharing my testimony, writing a Bible study, praying with someone, speaking at an event, or simply listening to another person's story, my desire is always the same—to help people encounter Jesus Christ and discover the transforming power of His love. I often think of *Paul's* words:

"He comforts us in all our troubles so that we can comfort others. When they are troubled, we will be able to give them the same comfort God has given us."

2 Corinthians 1:3–4

This is exactly what God has done in my life.

As part of preparing for this calling, God has opened doors for me to receive theological education. I earned my Master of Arts in Christian Ministry from Liberty University and am currently pursuing a Doctor of Christian Leadership with an emphasis in Spiritual Formation. These opportunities have strengthened my understanding of Scripture and equipped me for ministry, but they are not what qualify me to serve.

My greatest qualification is the transforming work God has done—and continues to do—in my own life.

Everything you will find on this website is an expression of that calling. The Bible studies, devotionals, journals, reflections, personal papers, community resources, and messages all exist for one purpose: to point people to Jesus Christ. My prayer has never been to build a platform or gain recognition. My desire is simply to be faithful with

what God has entrusted to me and to encourage others to take the next step in their own walk with Him.

If there is one lesson God has taught me above all others, it is this:

A surrendered life is never a wasted life.

When we place our lives completely in God's hands, He can do immeasurably more than we could ever accomplish on our own. He specializes in taking what is broken and making it beautiful, taking what seems impossible and turning it into a testimony of His grace.

That is what He has done in my life.

And I believe He wants to do the same in yours.

My prayer is that as you continue exploring this website, you will be encouraged to trust God more deeply, surrender more completely, and discover the incredible purpose He has prepared for your life. No matter where your journey begins, God can redeem your past, transform your present, and lead you into the future He has planned for you.



Closing Scripture

"For we are God's masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things He planned for us long ago."

Ephesians 2:10





A Thank You to God

Heavenly Father,

Thank You for saving me, healing me, and calling me to be Your servant. Thank You for seeing purpose in my life long before I could see it myself. You took the broken places, the painful seasons, and the years of uncertainty, and You used them to shape my heart for Your glory. Thank You for never wasting my pain. Thank You for renewing my mind through Your Word, teaching me to surrender, and showing me that my identity is found in Jesus Christ. I am grateful that You never gave up on me, even when I did not understand what You were doing. Thank You for trusting me with this calling to point others to Jesus Christ. May everything I write, teach, share, and speak honor You alone.

In Jesus' name, **Amen.**

My Prayer for the Reader

Heavenly Father,

I pray for every person reading these words. Draw them close to You and help them know that You love them deeply. Remind them that their past does not define them and that You are able to redeem every broken place in their life.

Help them trust You with the parts of their story they do not understand. Give them the courage to surrender their heart, their pain, their plans, and their future into Your hands. Teach them that a surrendered life is never a wasted life.

May they encounter Jesus Christ, receive His healing, and discover the purpose You prepared for them long ago. Let their life become a testimony of Your grace, mercy, and transforming power.

In the precious name of Jesus,
Amen.



A Final Encouragement

Your calling begins with one simple response: *"Here I am, Lord. Send me."* As you continue walking with Jesus Christ, may your life become a testimony of His grace and a faithful reflection of His love as you serve Him wherever He leads.

A Scripture That Has Guided My Life

"Work willingly at whatever you do, as though you were working for the Lord rather than for people."

Colossians 3:23

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