ACCEPT OR DECLINE

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l. 2 Tim 1:3-12

- A. Paul is encouraging Timothy by REMINDING him of 3 things:
 - Gift OF God
 - 2. Calling BY God
 - 3. Purpose FOR God
- B. V6 Gift "OF" God
 - 1. <u>Gift</u> *charisma* Divine gratuity, spiritual endowment (deposit) given graciously and generously.
 - 2. "Gift of grace" The ability to leave people feeling whole and not full of holes
 - 3. Rom 12:6 6 Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, let us use them:
 - 4. Stir up anazopureo Fresh life, reactivate, light up again, rekindle, fan a flame
 - 5. **Eph 2:8-10 Saved by grace!**
 - a) <u>Workmanship</u> *poiema* Object of creation, brought into existence by someone, something made
 - 6. Col 3:23-25 23 And whatever you do, do it heartily, as to the Lord
 - a) **Do it Heartily** Two Greek words:
 - (1) Ek origin, source, out of
 - (2) Psuche greek word used for life, spirit; Inner self
 - b) Who I am is not "OF" what I do but what I do is "OF" who I am!
 - 7. Where's Your Green?
 - a) Passion What are you passionate about?
 - b) Talent What are you good at?
 - c) Need What need can you meet?
 - d) Core Value We Pursue Our Green We Live From and For His Purpose!
- C. **V9 PURPOSE "FOR" GOD** ACCORDING TO HIS PURPOSE!
 - 1. **Purpose** *prothesis* To plan in advance, anticipated outcome that guides planned actions
 - a) His purpose (plan) is not separate or exclusive of you but inclusive!
- D. CALLING "BY" GOD V8-9 Saved and Called us with a Holy Calling
 - 1. Saved What He did for me
 - 2. Called Invitation to accept His offer to do something for Him through me.
 - a) 100% involuntary in origination and yet 100% voluntary in participation

- 3. Calling klesis An invitation or summons by authority to be present or participate
- 4. Two things about the calling (invitation) of God:
 - a) You don't know where it will take you
 - (1) Prov 16:9 9 A man's heart plans his way, But the Lord directs his steps.
 - b) It will be bigger than what you think you can handle
 - (1) Rom 11:29 29 For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable.
 - (a) Irrevocable ametameletos Not feeling regret or sorry about; not wishing that it would be any different.
- 5. **Heb 3:1-3** 3 Therefore, holy brethren, *partakers* of the heavenly calling,
 - (1) Partaker metochos A partner in an activity of common interest where all parties benefit.

II. APPLICATION:

- A. Are you using your gift to fill a gap?
- B. Are you walking in the works God created for you?
- C. Are you living from what is in you or for what is outside of you?
- Are you answering the call to live for His purpose? D.

E. Do you feel like the "gaps" in your life are too big to overcome?
