I. 2 Tim 1:3-12
A. Paul is encouraging Timothy by REMINDING him of 3 things:
   1. Gift OF God
   2. Calling BY God
   3. Purpose FOR God
B. V6 - Gift “OF” God
   1. Gift - 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) Workmanship - 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?
   D. Are you answering the call to live for His purpose?
   E. Do you feel like the “gaps” in your life are too big to overcome?

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