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Count Me In: Because I'm called

Romans 1:1-7

"And you also are among those who are called to belong to Jesus Christ. To all in Rome who are loved by God and called to be saints: Grace and peace to you from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ."
Verses 6 and 7

Two dimensions of calling that will impact our serving:

1. We are called to belong to Someone – verse 6

"Jesus went up on a mountainside and **called** to him those he wanted, and they came to him. He appointed twelve – designating them apostles – that they might be with him..."
Mark 3:13-14

Key point –

2. We are called to become somebody – verse 7

- 1 Corinthians 1:2
- 2 Corinthians 1:1
- Ephesians 1:1
- Philippians 1:1

Key point –

3. We are called to serve

Small Group & Personal Bible Study Guide

This Weeks Memory Verse: John 15:16

"You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit – fruit that will last."

Study Questions: Called to Belong – Called to Become

Read Romans 1:1-7

1. What does it mean to you to belong to Jesus Christ? (verse 6)
2. What does it mean to be called to be saints? (verse 7)
3. Review John Chapter 15. In John 15 Jesus taught us about remaining in Him (the Vine) for apart from Him we can do nothing. How does this fit in with what we have learned about being called to belong and become?
4. Why is it not a good thing to do something for the Lord (and the Church) without really knowing and living and believing that you belong to Him?
5. When we accept our call to serve we are indentifying ourselves as belonging to Jesus and being made new in Him. How is serving a natural part of the Christian life and a truly a part of our worship to Him?

Daily Reading Plan: This week we are reading how people of the Bible have been called to belong and become men of God and to serve the Lord in mighty ways. **As you read these verses, journal your notes to yourself about what you learn on how God calls us.**

Day 1: Abraham – Genesis 12:1-7

Day 2: Moses – Exodus 3

Day 3: Samuel – 1 Samuel 3

Day 4: David – 1 Samuel 16

Day 5: Paul – Acts 9:1-31