## JLH Women's Saturday Devotions April 7th 2018

## Whom Shall I Send, and Who Will Go For Us? Here Am I, Send Me!

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Growing up the eldest was challenging, the only girl, quiet amongst six brothers and I had no understanding who God was and didn't know he was calling me. I attended a high school specializing in journalism and broadcasting and I had no choice in the matter. I enjoyed writing but failed oral communications due to fear of speaking publicly. As a freshman, although I was quiet, I was willing to participate in activities that interests me. Attending my first pep rally was exciting especially when the Military Drill Team performed. They were organized, colorful, serious but had a lot of fun. During the performance my heart raced with joy and I could barely breathe, I wanted to be part of this. Later that day they held tryouts, I stood there and the team captain shouted, Who is ready to be a Military Drill Major? I raised my hand and said I am ready! A friend of mine at the time laughed at me saying "You're not going to make it." She shouted "I am ready too." We both went in for the tryouts and the team captain gave us very detailed instructions. After the tryouts they chose me and not her, she got angry and bitter towards me saying "You think you're better than everyone, you're not the only one who was chosen!" I was always encouraging her or putting myself down to make her happy, but this one particular time I realized this is what I wanted to do and I did not let her stop me. The team captain said, I see your heart was truly in this, the training will be intense but I believe you will make it, Don't let anyone discourage you. I had no idea what I got myself into but I did NOT give up! I became a drill team major all through my high school years.

When you discover you're fearfully and wonderfully made in God's image you can walk with your head high <u>humbly</u> because you are a child of the KING OF KINGS. *Psalm 139:14* and **1Peter 2:9** There's not another you in this world and as Christians, we commit our lives to **Go** where he tells us to go, **Say** what he tells us to say and **Be** who he has called us to be, to reach a dying world. We're handpicked for a specific purpose while on this journey and no one can do **exactly** what the Lord called **you** to do. When it's all said and done, one day we will hear him say, "Well Done," **Matthew 25:23** 

Imagine being in His presence, it may be in your home, your car, at work or during Sunday service and the Lord opens your eyes and you see HIM sitting on the throne high and lifted up and his train fills the temple. Isaiah 6:1-8 The Creator of the universe, Jesus Christ, God manifested in the flesh, showing His Glory speaking directly to YOU! "Whom shall I send?" With excitement, you say Hear am I, send me, without getting the full details of the mission he's calling you to, you're still willing and able to say I'll Go. That was Isaiah's experience with the Lord to do the will of the one who sent him, today we are called to do the the same. John 9:4 I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day: the night comes, when no man can work. The prophet Isaiah eagerly accepted his calling after his encounter with the Lord and that moment he came to himself and realized **nothing** was good about him standing before a **HOLY GOD** he knew he needed his sins forgiven. He acknowledged he was a man of unclean lips and his heart was changed. God knew the difference with Isaiah and he aimed to please God not self nor man. Amen! Then a seraphim flew to Isaiah holding hot coals with tongs in his hands from the altar and touched his lips. Ouch....Ladies that had to hurt, the next time we're in his presence at the altar let's repent for what comes out of the heart, because the mouth speaks from it. Luke 6:45 A good man brings good things out of the good stored up in his heart, and an evil man brings evil things out of the evil stored upon his heart. For the mouth speaks what the heart is full of. God can and God will use us mightily when we are honest with him, having a heart that's been changed because we're made in His image. The world is filled with too many false non-god sent here I come self proclaimed prophets, throwing people in hell instead of speaking the truth in love and letting God be judge. We need to PRAY for the lost souls and our loved ones...Amen!!

The desire in your heart may have been placed by God to do His Will, because you have delighted yourself in Him. Psalm 37:4 Delight thyself in the LORD, And he shall give thee the desires of your heart. We don't want to have the heart to do what we want to do, to prove we're better, to compete, be seen or heard, this would Not be God's Will but our will. It may prosper but it won't go where God sent it. We need to be in the Lord's Will. We're unworthy and deserve death but God is so merciful and while we were sinners Christ died for us. Romans 5:8 Therefore, we can come boldly to a throne of Grace. Hebrews 4:16 He has a specific calling just for YOU and NO devil in hell can take that away. You've made your election and calling sure 2Peter 1:10 or else you would not have answered God...Here am I send me. Sisters, be not afraid of the call, Go, be wise and win souls. Proverbs 11:30 Be encouraged, God Bless Love ya!

2 Timothy 4:5 But watch thou in all things; endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, make full of thy ministry.