#### Boldness in the Midst of Brokenness

"Since we have such a hope, we are very bold"

- 2 Corinthians 3:12





- 1) It is God's will that I share the Gospel.
  - >I AM CALLED!
- 2) It is no longer I who live, but Christ that lives in me.
  - >I AM DEAD!
- 3) Buried in baptism, Raised in Faith.
  - >I AM A NEW CREATION!
- 4) The Message is more important than me.
  - >I AM AS BOLD!

# It is God's will that I share the Gospel I AM CALLED

"We wish to confirm once more that the task of **evangelizing all people** constitutes the essential mission of the Church...evangelizing is in fact the grace and **vocation** proper to the Church, her deepest identity. She exists in order to evangelize..."

Paul VI Evangelii Nuntiandi #14 "The whole Church is missionary, and the work of evangelization is the basic duty of the People of God."

(Ad Gentes #35)

"The new evangelization calls for personal involvement on the part of **each of the baptized. Every Christian** is challenged, here and now, to be actively engaged in evangelization..."

> Pope Francis Evangelii Gaudium 120

"...all of us are called to take part in this new missionary "going forth"...all of us are asked to obey his call to go forth from our own comfort zone in order to reach all the "peripheries" in need of the light of the Gospel."

Pope Francis Evangelii Gaudium 20 "Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy, our brother. To the Church of God which is at Corinth, with all the saints who are in the whole of Achaia. Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ."

- 2 Corinthians 1:1-2

"For we are not, like so many, peddlers of God's word; but as men of sincerity, as commissioned by God, in the sight of God we speak in Christ."

- 2 Corinthians 2:17

"Such is the confidence that we have through Christ toward God. Not that we are competent of ourselves to claim anything as coming from us; our competence is from God, who has made us competent to be ministers of a new covenant, not in a written code but in the Spirit; for the written code kills, but the Spirit gives life."

- 2 Cor. 3:4-6

"And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that you may always have enough of everything and may provide in abundance for every good work."

- 2 Cor. 9:8

"But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, to show that the transcendent power belongs to God and not to us."

- 2 Cor. 4:7

"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our affliction, so that we may be able to comfort those who are in any affliction, with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God. For as we share abundantly in Christ's sufferings, so through Christ we share abundantly in comfort too. . .

If we are afflicted, it is for your comfort and salvation; and if we are comforted, it is for your comfort, which you experience when you patiently endure the same sufferings that we suffer. Our hope for you is unshaken; for we know that as you share in our sufferings, you will also share in our comfort."

- 2 Cor. 1:3-8

"But that was to make us rely not on ourselves but on God who raises the dead; **he delivered us** from so deadly a peril, and **he will deliver us**; on him we have set our hope that **he will deliver us again**."

- 2 Cor. 1:9

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"But He said to me, 'My grace is sufficient for you, for My power is made perfect in weakness.' I will all the more gladly boast of my weaknesses, that the power of Christ may rest upon me. For the sake of Christ, then, I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities; for when I am weak, then I am strong."

- 2 Cor. 12:9-10

# It is no longer I who live, but Christ that lives in me I AM DEAD!

"I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me; and the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me."

- Galatians 2: 20

"Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life... So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus."

- Romans 6:3-4; 11

"But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us. We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our bodies. For while we live, we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be made visible in our mortal flesh. So death is at work in us, but life in you."

# Buried in Baptism, Raised in Faith I AM ALIVE!

"And He died for all, that those who live might live no longer for themselves but for Him who for their sake died and was raised."

- 2 Corinthians 4:15

"Therefore, if any one is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has passed away, behold, the new has come."

- 2 Corinthians 5:17

# The Message is more important than me I AM BOLD!

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