



September 6th – Rev. Tony Howard

1 Corinthians 15:56-58

God Calls His People to Rest & Respond

1. God Calls Us To Rest in What Christ has Done
2. God Calls Us To Respond to What Christ is Doing

When you consider the work “Calling”, what comes to your mind?

What have been the challenges in understanding and recognizing your callings in your faith?

What are the ways in which we try to separate our callings, jobs, and roles from who we are?
Why do we do this?

What prevents us from thriving in and enjoying our callings? What makes our callings feel like burdens?

Why is seeing the gospel as a victory given to us so important to how we function in everyday life?

Why is having an “earning” or “proving it” perspective in our callings so tempting? What is dangerous about it?

Paul asks us to be “always abounding in the work of the Lord” → what does “working hard” as a Christian look like?

What are your callings? Why do we like to “rank” callings in significance? What are some important callings you may overlook?



August 30th – Hugh Barlett

Romans 13:8–10 Owe no one anything, except to love each other, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. ⁹ For the commandments, “You shall not commit adultery, You shall not murder, You shall not steal, You shall not covet,” and any other commandment, are summed up in this word: “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” ¹⁰ Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.

Bound together in the law of love

- Connected in love
- Love personally sacrifices for others
- Love practically blesses others

We are called to live responsible lives, so that we may care for one another. How has God blessed you so that you can bless others?

How is love more than just a sentiment or romantic feeling?

How does love actually fulfill the law?

Think about the 2nd half of the Ten Commandments:

- Honor our parents: How does love honor authority?
- Do not murder: How does love promote & protect life?
- Do not commit adultery? How does loyalty in our love relationships express love in our families & friendships?
- Do not steal: how does being productive actually love our neighbor? How do we rob our neighbors?
- Do not lie: How is honesty essential to family, church, and society?
- Do not covet: How is contentment provide us a platform for loving others?

How has Christ fulfilled these aspect of the law of love? Think of how Christ kept all the commandments and fulfilled the law in its’ positive demands as well. For instance, Christ never murdered and he gave Life in words & works! Christ never lied, and His truth sets free. Share thoughts on this.