

# Lifestyle



# BLESSING

# 幸福

# Happiness

If you want happiness for an hour, take a nap.

If you want happiness for a day, go fishing.

If you want happiness for a year, inherit a fortune.

If you want happiness for a lifetime, help somebody.

## Helper's High: The Benefits (and Risks) of Altruism



Good deeds can relieve stress and help you live long

*Psychology Today, Posted Sep 04, 2014*

For it is in giving that we receive  
— Saint Francis of Assisi

The sole meaning of life is to serve humanity  
— Leo Tolstoy

We make a living by what we get; we make a life by what we give  
— Winston Churchill

Making money is a happiness; making other people happy is a super happiness —  
Nobel Peace Prize recipient Muhammad Yunus

Giving back is as good for you as it is for those you are helping, because giving gives you purpose. When you have a purpose-driven life, you're a happier person  
— Goldie Hawn

### 1 Corinthians 3:11-15

For no other foundation can anyone lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ. Now if anyone builds on this foundation *with* gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw, each one's work will become clear; for the Day will declare it, because it will be revealed by fire; and the fire will test each one's work, of what sort it is. If anyone's work which he has built on *it* endures, he will receive a reward. If anyone's work is burned, he will suffer loss; but he himself will be saved,

### Matthew 7:21-23

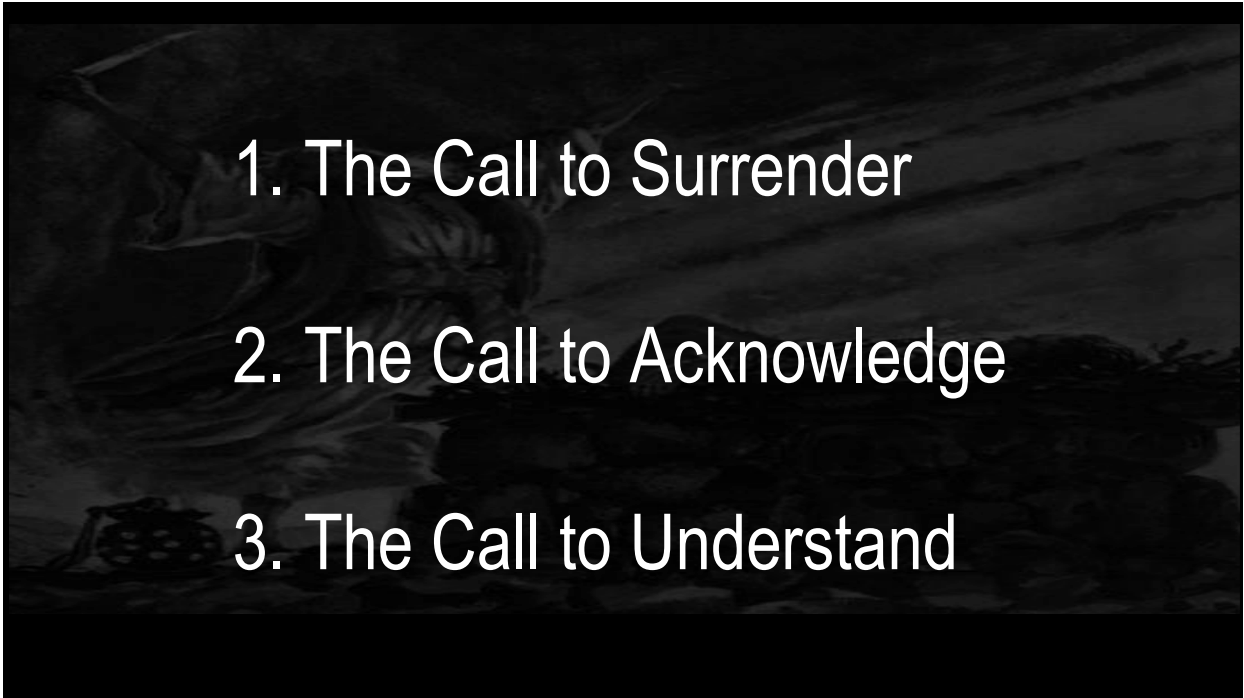
Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven. Many will say to Me in that day, 'Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name?' And then I will declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness!'

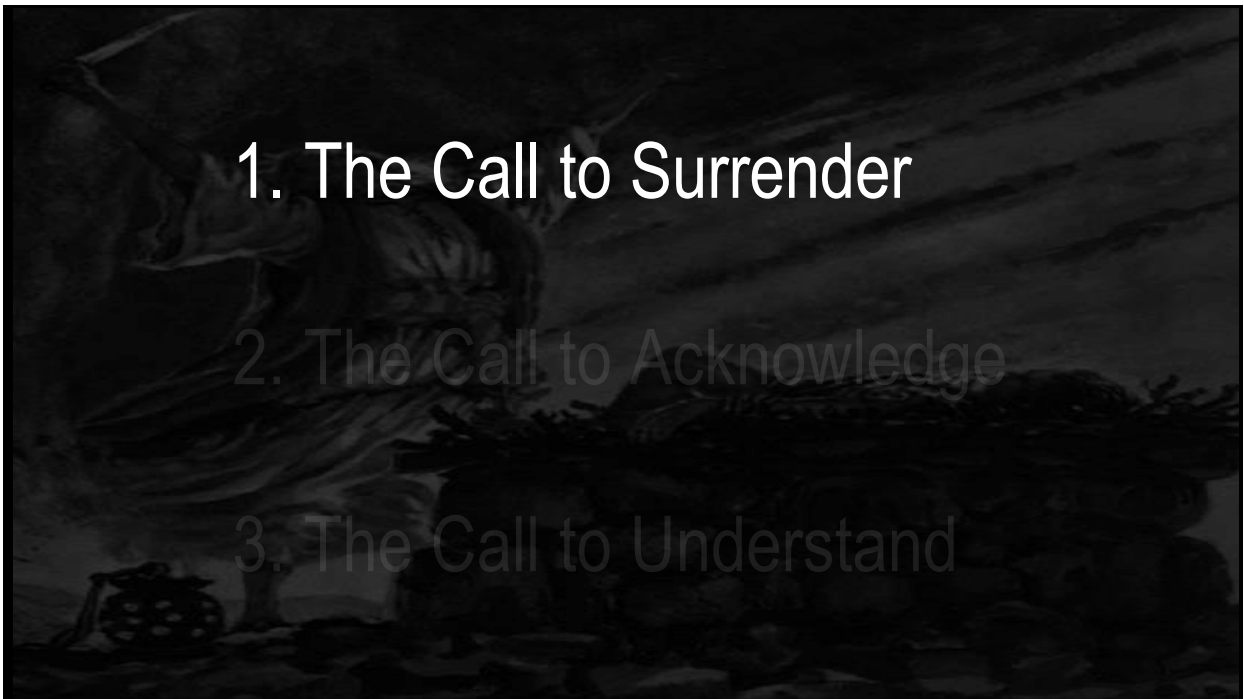
### Genesis 12:1-3 (NIV)

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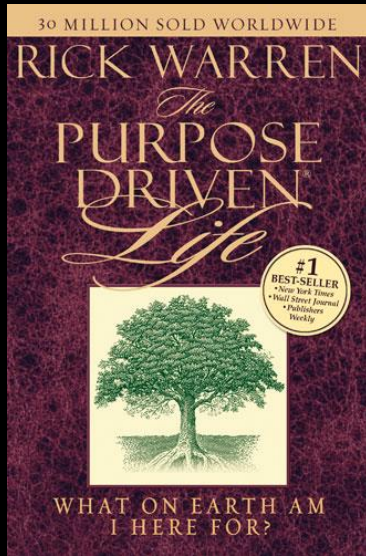
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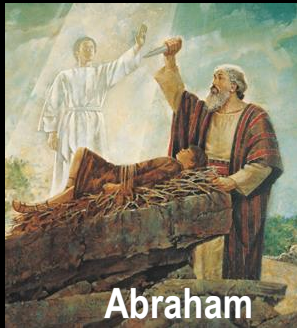
Parable of Theodore and his two chocolate coins



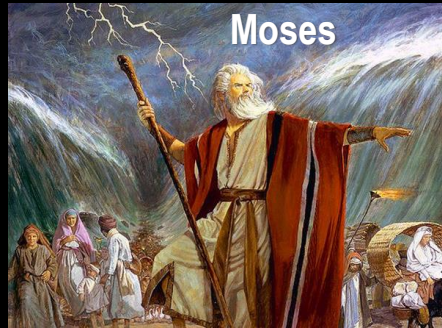


Nothing is more powerful  
than a surrendered life in  
the hands of God

Rick Warren



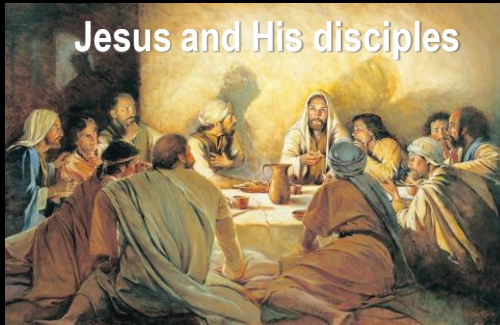
Abraham



Moses



Joseph



Jesus and His disciples



*Surrender*

Faith comes not from striving but from *surrendering*  
Surrendering to God is not an act of weakness  
God uses your submission to bring great power into your life



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“Your greatness is not measured by how much you are able to gain in life, but by how much you are able to give”

Hebrews 6:10

God is not unjust; he will not forget your work and the love you have shown him as you have helped his people and continue to help them.

Mark 10:28-30

*Then Peter spoke up, "We have left everything to follow you!" "Truly I tell you," Jesus replied, "no one who has left home or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields for me and the gospel will fail to receive a hundred times as much in this present age: homes, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and fields—along with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life.*



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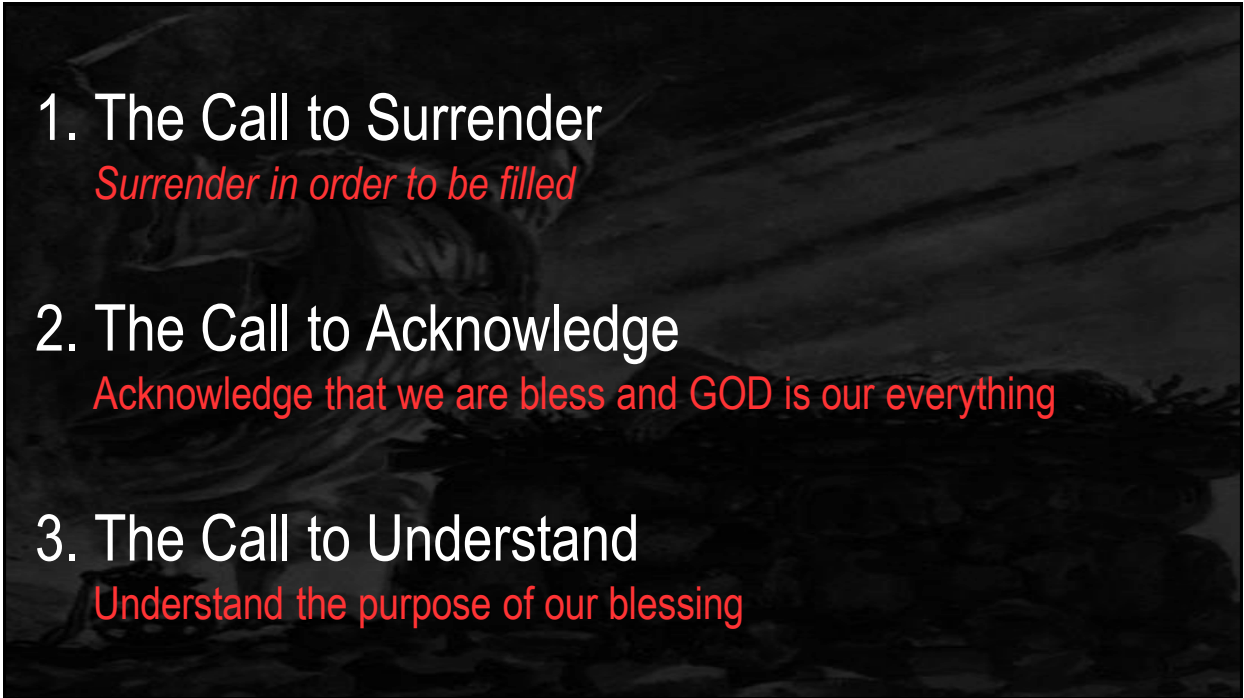
### **Galatians 6:9-10**

*Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers.*

*We are healed to help others.  
We are blessed to be a blessing.  
We are saved to serve,  
not to sit around and wait for heaven*

*Rick Warren*





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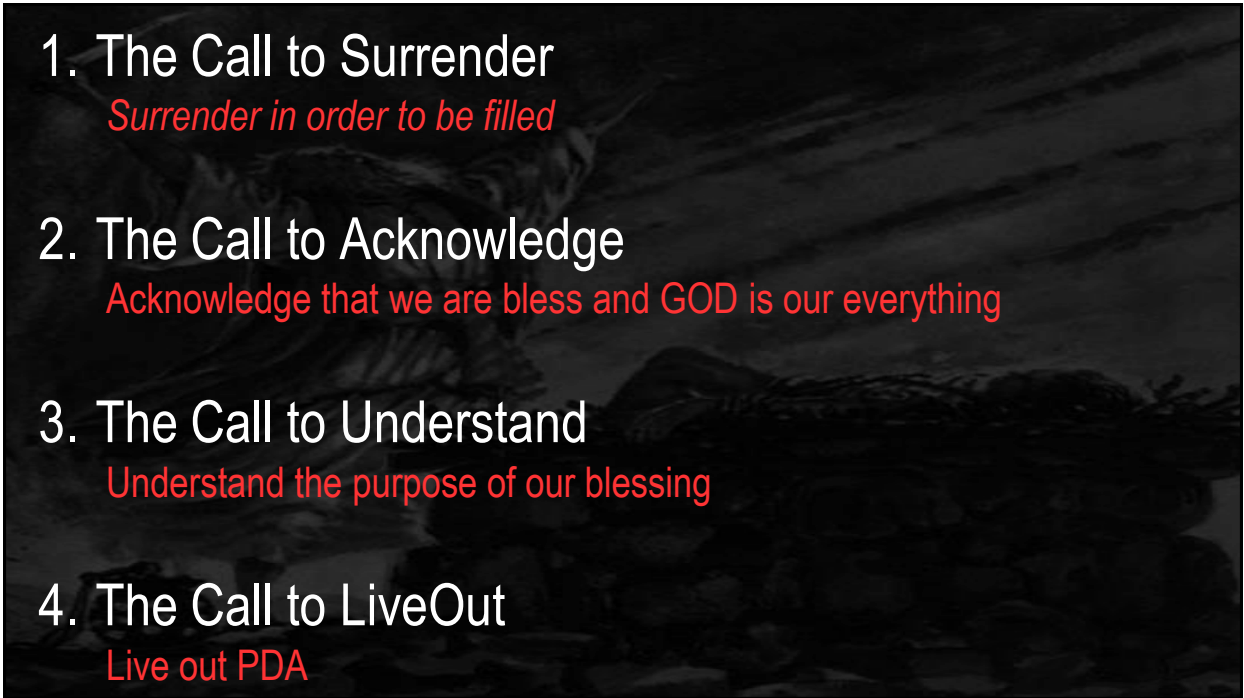
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### Personal revival

Experience revival everyday by getting deeper into GOD's word

### Divine appointments

Sense the Holy Spirit leading us into a divine appointment

### Active obedience

Learn to obey what the Holy Spirit puts upon our heart to do or say



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