

## **Compelled : Jesus said You will be my witnesses to the end of the earth**

### **What does a missionary look like?**

Picture in your head a missionary. What does he or she look like to you. ?

A young dynamic person might picture a wise old lady with her grey hair up in a bun, whilst a wise old lady with a grey bun might picture a dynamic young person, who can stand the rigours of overseas work. Hands up if you had a picture in your mind of a missionary that looks like what you see in the mirror each morning I.e, looks like you. I think many Christians have this sub-conscious bias about missionaries. We have a false impression of what it takes to be one.

Being a missionary, is not normally how we see ourselves is it? I was told by the Macedonians last year that I was the only missionary from any country that came over to them in 2020, all the others cancelled. I was surprised, not that I was the only one, but that he referred to me as a missionary. Even though I had been going there for over 3 years, I had not accepted that label. But surely anyone who does mission work is a missionary.

The dictionary defines a missionary as a person sent on a religious mission, especially one sent to promote Christianity.

### **You will be my witnesses**

Ok, so what does Jesus say about this to his followers. This is a great verse. Jesus in his resurrected body, his last words to his disciples just before he ascends to heaven. What were his famous last words.

**<sup>8</sup>You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth. (Acts 1v8)**

Jesus is very certain and very direct with his followers. You might want to say, that's different, because I am not one of his disciples, but actually you are. If you make yourself available to Jesus, then these words are actually inescapable ! Putting them in context Jesus is saying today

**When** the Spirit comes on you, not IF,  
You **will** receive power. It is guaranteed  
You **will** be my witnesses in this town, the whole of the county and the adjoining regions, and further across the world too.  
It does not appear to be optional !

You may never think of yourself as a missionary, but Jesus does. If you **make yourself available** HE will send you on mission. Whether that's on your neighbours doorstep or in some remote unreached part of the world, whether you are a dynamic young person, a lady with a grey bun, or anybody else. Jesus said it then and says it again today you **will** be my witnesses, locally and to the ends of the world. Its your job now, and he disappears. Wow, what an exit !

But does that sound like a scary commission to you? Perhaps as a command it does. Actually I see it is as more of a **promise** than a command. Not so much - You **must** do this, but more like, when you do this, I am going to be with you , and you just wait and see the Holy Spirit will do in power through you.

Because if you love Jesus, with a love that flows out of a recognition of how much you have been loved by him, and how much you have been forgiven by him, then you will **want** to respond to His love, with **your** love. In loving him you will **want** to do what you know makes him happy. Isn't this true for all our relationships?

This love you have for Jesus will **compel** you to do good things for him, and he will enable you to do those things, when the the Spirit comes on you, fills you with power, and enabling you to be a witness.

## Paul compelled

To take the deep love of Jesus and share it with others, is not a small calling but a great calling.

When you look at the Apostle Paul, we see a man that made himself available to Jesus after being blinded on the road to Damascus. He became totally committed to taking the Gospel message to others, and kept going. Why did Paul keep going through shipwrecks, stonings, imprisonment, and other frequent suffering and not seem to lose his enthusiasm for spreading the good news about Jesus. What motivated him? It was the realisation of Christ's love for man, that compelled him to share it whatever the cost. Paul answers that question by telling the Corinthians that we are compelled by Christ's love for others because of God's love in him. In the Message version we read

Christ's love has **moved us to such extremes**. His love has the first and last word in everything we do. [2 Cor 5v14]

Every thing we do in mission has to come from and be based on the deep love of Jesus. If we are **doing** anything or **teaching** anything that is not compatible with the love of Jesus, then we need to stop.

Paul continues to the Corinthians "Our firm decision is to work from this focused centre: One man died for everyone. That puts everyone in the same boat. He included everyone in his death so that everyone could also be included in his life, a *resurrection life*, a far better life than people ever lived on their own. [The Message... 2 Cor 5v15-17]

Wow. How articulate is that? Jesus died for everyone. We are all in the same boat. HMS (His Majestic Ship) Resurrection Life. We are all in that boat. His followers back then after the resurrection, and us in church 2000 years later, are in the same boat. We have the same work to do today, of allowing Jesus to transform our own lives by his love, and then taking the love to others so that he can transform their lives too.

Paul says that this transformed life, is a resurrection life. It is a new life in Jesus. It is not just our old life, with some of the rubbish thrown out, some sticking plasters on our hurts, and a few new cool additions. This is a new life, because we have the Spirit of Jesus living in us. We have brought some of our old habits and ways into our new life, but God will deal with those in time if we let him. But when we asked Jesus to take control of our lives, and fill us with his Holy Spirit we became a new person, with this new resurrection life.

Paul tells us that this resurrection life is far better than people ever lived on their own.

Is that true for you and me. Are we leading a resurrection life that is far better than we could live on our own. If not, is it because perhaps we are holding back in some ways making ourselves available to be used by Jesus.

## TAG me

Jesus gave the great commission to his first disciples. <sup>8</sup> You **will** receive power **when** the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you **will** be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.

The very last thing he did, was to tag his followers. My hands and feet are done now, I am passing the baton, you are tagged. I want everyone in the world to hear my good news, and its up to you now. Off you go ! They got in the game, and spent their lives chasing down others with the good news of the love of Christ. They were a small band of believers, but kept tagging others and bringing them into the mission.

The baton finally reached us. We have been TAG'ed. We are part of the great commission.

T: You are Trusted by God for Mission

A: You are Appointed and Anointed by God for Mission

G: You are Gifted by God for Mission.

## **TRUSTED & APPOINTED**

Lets take the first two, and I will look at gifting later. God trusts us with this mission, there is no plan B. He appoints us and anoints us with Acts 1v8. The only thing you have to do is make yourself available. Put your name down on the TAG team sheet.

When we make ourselves available, he trusts us with the job in hand, no matter how big and how crazy the task may seem to you. The good news is that he is not only in there with you, but he is putting in the much bigger shift. The Gospel that we are yoked to Jesus, but that his burden on us is light. So if we have a huge task ahead of us, we not only can be assure that we can do it in his strength, but also that he is there doing the heavy lifting for us.

### **Feel unable / unworthy /weakness**

**It won't go well !** But what keeps most of us out of mission, is this personal feeling or fear that I can not do it. It is for some-one else not me. I am not worthy of this calling, and I would fail anyway. If I step outside of my comfort zone, I don't think God will turn up in power. I don't think Acts 1v8 will be a reality for me. I feel like that frequently when doing mission !

**He won't use some-one like me !** He will !

Before I share any personal testimony about my own mission experiences, I want to say a bit about myself.

I did not have a great pedigree as some Christians did, but it was okay. My parents believe in Jesus, my sisters don't. I did growing up,. As a young man, I was a very flaky Christian for several years, being pulled between my faith in one direction and then in the other direction a looser lifestyle with a fair dose of drinking, rock festivals, and bad language. I wanted God to sort me out but did not think he would do it via the mission field. I could not imagine any missionary organisation taking me on board. I was challenged over this by an old missionary lady with her grey hair in a bun, and then 2 weeks later by an organisation full of dynamic young people, saying I should go out with them. I did and God used that to get my life on track. So interestingly for me, it was making myself available for short term mission work, that helped sort out my yo-yo lifestyle, and keep me on track. I would to say to any-one here today, who thought like me that God can not use them in mission, I would have to say you are wrong like I was. But I still get my struggles and my doubts.

2021 has not been a great year for me so far, I have struggled. Mentally, I was not in a great place during April and May, and even went to a friend who has become a Christian Counsellor for some help. So before I went out for my recent mission trip I was not really the best of places. But I knew I was okay enough to go, and if I went God would still use me.

I do not tell you that to gain sympathy, but to dispel any thought that I might be some-one more special than you are. Perhaps this time more than others I went out in weakness, but I was still confident God would move because he promises us that his strength is made perfect in our weakness. He has also reminded me frequently that he keeps his treasure in clay pots. His Spirit is the treasure. His Spirit is the treasure that produces the miracles, and provides the strength that works in and alongside my weakness, when I step out for him.

There really is nothing special about me, and I want to encourage everyone to be bold and confident in stepping out for Jesus.

When I step out on mission, I know in my head that this is the work of Jesus, and any salvations or healings that happen will be up to him, and though the power of his Spirit. I have to realise that what I am being asked to do for Jesus is impossible, in can only happen in his strength, and not my own. I put myself out there as just the vessel that he works through to do that. I understand that in my head, but

there are still times when I do not feel confident or worthy at all. Now after 5 years of mission trips to Macedonia, when the 'english missionaries' come there is this expectation that God will turn up in power and they will see miracles. There are times when I am going out to speak, or when there is a whole line of people waiting for me to pray for them, that I have to remind myself of who am I.

I am adopted into Gods family. I am a son of the King of Kings, and Jesus promised me that when the Spirit comes on me, I will be filled with power, and be a witness for him.

The day of the first Easter we conference that we put on in Macedonia, with hundreds coming from all over the country, expectations were so high. I woke up at 5am, and felt I can't do this Lord. Who am I anyway? And I felt him say some words to me, which I immediately wrote down

*Get up, be bold, stand in my truth, lift your head up and see my hand at work. I have more than you can take, but take as much as you can. Keep your head looking up and be filled with joy, for your joy will be your strength.*

After that day, when I saw God move in such power, my faith was never the same again. But I have still have to keep reminding myself what God did and can do.

### **Confident sons and daughters**

There is a spontaneous worship track from the Helsers that came immediately after them singing No Longer Slaves at Davids Tent in 2018, and I sometimes listen to this track, or say those words over and over again in my mind, to get my eyes and hearts focussed on Jesus and trust on him. Melissa Helser keeps Confident Sons and Daughter, Confident sons and daughter, Unafraid, unashamed, unshakeable, unmovable. I use those words, and pray into them to give me the strength and focus to go on

So as he trusts us, then we need to trust him. If he gives us a job to do, then he can expect him to come through for us. There is no country which is too closed for Jesus, there is no heart too hard for Jesus. Everything is possible for Jesus, Nothing is impossible for him,

### **Macedonia -**

Recently I went out again to Macedonia, with two friends, and near the end of our trip we were working with the local churches to outreach to two slum villages where the Roma lived. We had been evangelising in the villages, and giving out food parcels to the most needy, and the response to the gospel was great. It was moving how in their desperation they were so open to God. We invited them to come to the Prilep church in the evening where we held services for 3 nights in a row, and we saw many changed lives.

### **SHOW VIDEO**

**Testimony of Muharems family:** In my recent trip, there was just 3 of us, Richard, Tracey and I. We played to our strengths, with Richard taking a lead on the outdoor evangelism, I took a lead on the teaching, Tracey led worship, but we all prayed for Gods Holy Spirit to come on people, set them free, save them and heal them. Over 100 people made first time commitments, but I don't now how many people we prayed for one on one. It seemed that any-one who one came forward and asked for prayer were almost immediately filled with the presence of God, regardless of their background, for some it was their first time in church.

There was a couple from one of the Roma villages, called Meksiko, that had already been going to the church for 2 years. The husband Muharem was a Christian but is wife had no interest in Jesus, and only went to keep her husband quiet. On our first evening meeting, she gave her life to Jesus. The next morning we were doing outreach at Meksiko, and whilst they were doing food parcel distribution, I took a wander up the mountain track through the village, and felt the Spirit draw me towards a particular house. As I got nearer, I saw Muharem and his wife come out of it, and then invite me in, where they gave me drinks and snacks and introduced me to their adult children. One of them, he wanted me to pray for because he was a hopeless drug addict. I knew I didn't have time, but encouraged them all to come to the evening service in Prilep.

That evening, I invited testimonies from the previous day, and the first to get up and speak powerfully was Muharem's wife. After I had spoken, and more people had given their lives to Jesus, the church worshipped whilst Richard & I prayed in the relative quiet of the yard outdoors. The first three people came to me was a lady who had had knee and leg pains for 10 years, and two young men from Muharem's house. One was the drug addict, the other had had been suffering from pains in his right arm for 2 months. Both said they were depressed. I chose to pray for the young men first together, and as soon as prayer began they were filled with the presence of God, and the peace of God fought off their anxieties until they both said how much lighter they felt. I then prayed against the drug addiction, and the arm pains. Whilst I can't measure the former, all the pain instantly went in the man's arm. I called the lady over, she had been suffering for the 10 years since her husband died, and had had a lot of medical help over the years, but none of it helped. Realising the pain was related to the trauma of losing her husband, we prayed Jesus back into her life on the day she heard of his death, and both felt the trauma come off her. Now that she was feeling much lighter and freer, I prayed against the pain, one side at a time. Her right side was instantly healed by Jesus. The left side took 2 or 3 attempts in prayer after which the pain was 50% gone, and I felt confidence that in time now without the trauma fuelling it, the pain would go completely so left it, and carried on praying for others that had now arrived.

On our final day after I had done the appeal for people to be missionaries to the Roma villages, I was praying again in the yard, and that was another adult I recognised from Muharem's house. This young lady believed she could not have children, and there something with her ovaries. Before we left we were told that we would be praying for ladies with 'hostile wombs', and this one of 3 ladies that came to us unable to have children. As I prayed for her, again she was instantly filled with the presence of God, and spent quite a while soaking in his presence. I felt in my own spirit that there was a recreation miracle happening in her womb. When I checked in with her later, she said that when she was prayed for she could feel her womb area, heating up and then pulsating inside her. I very much hope to see her with a baby next year.

With gifts like healing, you become this vessel for the Holy Spirit to use, and bless people, and I have to remind myself I do not heal anyone. It is Jesus who does it all. Which also means that if someone does not receive the healing they want, and I have done my best, then I can leave that outcome with Jesus too, and not beat myself up about it.

## **AM I UP FOR IT?**

We have been TAGed. When the Spirit comes, he Will fill you with power, and you WILL be a witness'. I would to say to any-one here today, who thought like me that God can not use them in mission, you are wrong like I was. If you make yourself available, if you say 'here I am send me', then you will receive Holy Spirit power and he will use you. Wherever we are, we are appointed to his work of mission if we make ourselves available. And if appoints us then he will anoint us with the power of his holy spirit to be his witness and do the job he has given us. This is our Holy Spirit anointing.

But how much am I up for it.?

I ran a youth group once where I did up-front games and challenges at the beginner, which 2 or 3 would do and everyone else would roll around laughing. Once I said I had a game that was so unpleasant that you would have to be mad to volunteer. Three young teenage boys got on their knees, and walked on their knees to the front, begging me with their hands and saying – Pick me, pick me, pick me !

Isaiah was in the presence of God, when he heard Gods voice say, who shall I send to this people. Isaiah – Here I am send me, pick me !

## **GIFTS**

We are trusted by God for mission, we are appointed and anointed by God for mission, but we are also gifted for mission too.

Gifts are not your natural talents that are well developed, Oh she is a gifted cello player. Certainly God can do that too and can supernaturally increase our God given talents, but on the most part these are achieved by hard work. The spiritual, gifts can not be gained by your effort. The biblical word 'Gifts' comes from the Hebrew word Charis which means Grace. You don't deserve, or work for, or qualify for a

spiritual gift, it is a gift from God, and he will gift who he chooses with what he chooses. But that does not mean, that you just sit back, wait, and see what gifts come your way. Try asking.

My children were never slow at asking for what they wanted whether it was birthday, Christmas or just a random day. Obviously parents would still give gifts to their children without them asking, but I am sure kids get more when they ask. Some of them, have a way of wearing you down. One day I found myself installing a ball pit under my youngest sons cabin bed, complete with flashing l.e.d. lights, after several months of repeatedly saying, there is no way I am building you a ball pit, I was building it ! Children will ask their earthly fathers for gifts again and again without any lack of passion, but as children of God when it comes to asking for gifts from our heavenly father, we seem to be very reluctant. But like any Father, he wants us to engage with him and he wants to give us good gifts.

Two things to say on spiritual gifts, what is on offer today, and what is it you want yourself to equip you in your ministry, in your mission.

First. What is on offer. I was 23, and at an information weekend for the missionary group World Horizons, and their leader Rowland Evans, said something that I never forgot, If there is something good going from God, then why would you not want it

But you can ask for more, in fact you should ask for more. Have you ever asked for a spiritual gift. Perhaps you did once, and didn't get it, so stopped asking. Why? You are a beloved child, your Father in heaven will give you good things. Just because you get a no early door, it might mean you are just not ready for it yet, its' not in your best interest. Keep asking. If you are in service, and you are the speaker makes an open invitation to come forward for a blessing or a gift, then why are you staying in your seat.

Lets imagine you are at a conference, and you are being invited forward to receive something new from God. Why would you not go. The only things that holds you in your seat is either disbelief or pride. 'I think its pretty unlikely that I will receive anything, some-one else but not me. I went up once before a few years ago and nothing happened ! " or "I am not leaving my seat, I don't want others to see me as needy or silly', Really? You would give up the opportunity of receiving some great gift or blessing from God because it might not happen, or because of what others may or may not think of you !

Jeannie Morgan from St. Andrews Chorley Wood, and author of the brilliant book 'Our hands, his healing' came to speak at a 'Saturday meeting in Trinity House here. She was amazing, and there weren't many of us there, but I was glad I was one of them.. At the end, she invited people forward to receive the gift of tongues if they didn't already have it. Then she added, if you already speak in tongues, then you can come up for another language. Serious? Its a thing. I quizzed her on it. Oh yes, I have one friend with 14 languages she said. OK, I said, I am up for it. I always want more from God, and got it. It was brilliant. Don't give up an opportunity to receive from Go, if the opportunity is right in your face.

The second thing about gifts is 'asking'. I would say to you. Don't stop asking for gifts from your heavenly Father. Want something badly, and then keep on pressing in, pressing in, until you get it.

### **Persist with your gifts and asking for more**

Once when performing at a music festival in Devon, I had an experience of praying for several people and seeing them healed. It seemed to be a one-off experience for me, but I wanted more. I hate seeing people sick, and badly want an anointing for healing, so I could regularly see people healed. In 2013, there was a healing revival in Cwmbran and for a while people came from all over the world to these warehouse meetings. It seems to me than when it comes to spiritual gifts, there are those that have a good go at say prophecy and healing, and see God come through for them. Then there are those who badly want it as part of their long term mission, and push into getting in until that receive an anointing in that gift, that they more regularly come through with holy spirit power in that area.

When I heard of this healing revival happening at the victory outreach church in Cwmbran, Wales. The church is about a 3 hour round trip from my home, but I tried to go down once a week. I was down there with my friend Jason, as often as we could for months, and we were on our knees at each service as close as we could get to the cross on the stage, asking again and again for the gift of healing, and getting the pastors to pray for us to. Just Simeon kept on and on to me as his Father for a built-in ball pit, I kept on and on to my spiritual father for a healing anointing.

It wasn't too long before we started praying for people after our own church services and saw people healed. The two of us, loved praying together, and in 3 years after Cwmbran, he moved house and we

started a prayer meeting in his which became new house in Bishops Cleave where we met Richard who had been out to Macedonia and our Monday prayer times became focussed on Macedonia and still are. , Our charity was born out of these prayer meetings. When we go out as a team to Macedonia now, everything we do is soaked in prayer, and following that first amazing conference, we have seen this healing power consistently coming throughout what we do.

### **Work with our Gifts**

Our spiritual gifts are by Gods grace, but once we have them we have a duty to keep using them and improve in the using of our spiritual gifts. In 2008 the parents of Beth Shriever, bought her a BMX. She didn't ride it a few times then leave in the shed. She joined a BMX club, and kept improving her skills, until last month she became GBs first BMX gold medal winner. She took her gift, enjoying it every day, and getting better and better at it, despite many falls.

I wonder how many of you do have spiritual gifts, but don't use them regularly. You might say that you don't get the opportunities but then ask for them

### **Abiding and Listening**

If we are going to be blessed in our mission, in our ministries, and see our giftings grow, then we need to spend regular time with God. Spending time with God, wanting more from Him. For me it was Cwmbran, now it might be worship festival, or Christian retreat centres. Times like these, build us up in Jesus and fuel our ministries.

Want more. Be Hungry for God. Spend time at his table. Feed on his word, feed on conversation in prayer with him, feed on his fellowship ( his presence). What a great 3 course meal that is.

Jesus told his disciples 'He who abides in me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without me you can do nothing (John 15v5).

When I see healing miracles I know that I can do nothing without him, but with him, all things are possible.

One important element of abiding in God, is to listen. Jesus said my sheep hear my voice (John 10v27). It is something I have only really worked at in recent years, but it has made so much difference to my ministries. God is always talking to us, but we are rarely listening. For me, I need to find that space in prayer, when the Lord can put a thought on my mind. Sometimes it nags me for days until I do it, but often in ministry, it comes out of the thin silence, out of the whisper, it is like a butterfly landing gently on you, then taking off again. Easy to miss.

So when praying for people, listening to God for direction becomes key, a constant asking and listening in your mind. How do I pray for this. Do I check in with them yet. Do I stop praying for this? etc.

At Berovo, the first church we visited on our recent trip. A lady, Zoe asked Tracey for prayer for the pain in her neck that she had been suffering with. Tracey heard the whisper ' family issues', and asked about this first. There was a very deep family issue which needed prayer, the power of God came on her as Tracey prayed into the issue, when she had finished praying for the family, all the pain in Zoes neck had gone without a single prayer for healing it.

On the last day prayed for one pastor who a few months earlier had nearly died of Covid, but still had significant pains in his chest from the covid damage. I listened to God before I prayed, and heard the word 'stomach' in my mind. I asked the pastor if he had problems with his stomach, but he replied that all the pain was in his chest. I also felt there was still post covid anxiety. I prayed for his chest first, though I I did feel that there was covid damage to his stomach area which he was unaware of. As I started to pray, the presence of God came down on him in power straight away. When I checked in with him later. It was an interesting response. He said that when I started praying for his chest, he felt that this spirit hammer blow to his stomach, then as I prayed for his mind, all the pain went from his chest. In summary, he said he now felt super !

In any type of mission, of ministry, listening will make you more effective. If you rush in, you will miss things, and I have done that wrong so many times now, but I'm learning.

## **Prilep responds**

I finished our 3 days in Prilep, by changing the emphasis of our final service there from salvation to mission. I spoke on Jesus and the Prostitute who washed his feet with her tears and poured her expensive perfume on them. This was contrasted to the hospitality shortfalls of the Simon the Pharisee whose home they were in. Jesus told the parable of the two debtors, and said the one who had been forgiven much, responds in love much. We have all been forgiven so much, but we don't always realise or remember that, and out of the knowledge of our forgiveness, and what Jesus did for us on the cross, we are compelled by our love to serve him.

I then challenged those in the building, and asked who would **commit** their lives to taking the Gospel out to the two Roma villages and help establish churches, in those villages. The pastor Alit was ready with his anointing oil, that had come from Jerusalem. I do not know what I expected perhaps 2 or 3, or even 6 might respond to be a missionary to these Roma communities. It is a tough calling. These are not safe villages, they are full every almost every problem imaginable. Yet, almost the whole room, all ages say from about 14, threw up their hands, and they meant it. We went round them all, Alit anointed them with oil, and struggling to keep up with him, I followed behind praying the power of God on them to equip them. The presence of God was so evident in the room.

Right there in that room in Prilep, they were living out Acts 1v8, as they made them-selves available to Jesus. They received the power of the Holy Spirit, and were sent out to be his missionaries to these Roma communities.

I want to emphasise, young, old and all ages in between responded. Each person being prayed for WAS filled with the power of the Holy Spirit coming down on them, regardless on whether they had being going to church for a few years, or as for some of them, they had only accepted Jesus within the last couple of days.

We can easily persuade ourselves that people that go out on mission are the really experienced Christians, some type of elite. This is our sub-conscious bias again. That day, even the ultra newbies were filled with the power of the Spirit, appointed and anointed as missionaries to these villages.

Why because they realised how much Jesus had forgiven them and loved them, and in response they made themselves available to serve Him in this way.



## Conclusions

What does a missionary look like – It looks like what you see in the mirror

We all share equally in the death of Jesus, from his incredible deep love for each of us, so we are given an equal opportunity to share that love with others. That is mission. However you do it. Wherever you do it. Compelled into action by the love we have for him, in response to the love he has shown for us.

There will be some of you here today, who have turned down opportunities because you feel that God can not use you. Jesus sees you differently, to how you see yourself. He does not doubt you, No matter what you feel about yourself, rest assured if you make yourself available, God will use you in some way. He will send his Spirit to you afresh, you will be filled with power, and you will be his witness.

We ask him today, for more of his power in our lives, to live more of this resurrection life, which as Paul says is a far better life that we could live on our own.

We also ask him again for any spiritual gifts that we want, to help us in our mission, keep asking, keep pushing in for them.

What about the gifts you have already got, and are not using. Pray, Lord give me opportunities to put my gifts into practice and increase me in their use.

Jesus is saying today, can I have a witness?

Yes, Lord, here I am pick me, use me, send me.

Amen.