

## CALLED IN CHRIST

*1 Corinthians 1:9 // April 26, 2026 PM*

*God's sovereign and saving summons sets in motion our marriage to Christ.*

**I. Effectual calling is *from the faithful Father*.**

**II. Effectual calling is *through the powerful Spirit*.**

**III. Effectual calling is *unto the beautiful Son*.**

### QUESTIONS FOR FAMILY WORSHIP

1. While every conversion story is unique, what do they all have in common?
2. What is effectual calling, and how is it distinct from and related to the general call of the gospel?
3. Why would Paul begin his letter with thanksgiving when there was so much in the Corinthian church not to give thanks for?
4. Why do some people respond in faith to the call of the gospel while others do not?
5. How is the resurrection of Lazarus a graphic picture of effectual calling?
6. What is the relationship between the believer's calling and his union with Christ?
7. Does God force us against our wills to come to Christ when He calls us effectually? Why is this a wrong way of thinking?

### QUESTIONS FOR PRIVATE REFLECTION

1. Has the Lord called me to Himself through the gospel? If so, how did He do it?
2. Why is the doctrine of effectual calling both comforting and humbling?
3. Am I walking worthy of my calling as one who belongs to Jesus Christ?