CALLED TO BE SAINTS

Romans 1:5-7

I. God's Sovereignty and Paul's Apostolic Calling – vs. 5

Ephesians 2:19-20

Ephesians 3:3-7

Acts 2:43

2 Corinthians 12:12

Mark 3:13

Acts 1:21-26

1 Corinthians 15:7-9

Acts 9:15-16

II. Called of Christ Jesus – vs. 6

Klētós - <u>called</u>, implying relationship and/or task; invited (by God in the proclamation of the Gospel) to obtain eternal salvation

Of = belong to ----- among whom you also are divinely summoned ones <u>belonging</u> to Jesus Christ

1 Corinthians 6:19-20

III. Beloved of God, Called to be Saints – vs. 7a

Agapētós - beloved, esteemed, dear, favorite, worthy of love

Klētós - Isaiah 45:22

Ezekiel 33:11

Matthew 11:28

John 7:37

Romans 8:30

Hágios - set apart for God, to be as it were, exclusively His, to worship and serve Him

1) Roles of a Saint in Christ's Church

a. To be holy

Ephesians 1:4

1 Peter 1:15

1 Corinthians 6:9-11

2 Corinthians 6:14-18

b. To be equipped

Ephesians 4:11-15

Colossians 1:9-10

James 1:19, 22

Romans 12:2

Hebrews 13:7, 17

1 Timothy 4:13

2 Timothy 3:13-4:5

c. To do ministry

Ephesians 4:12

2 Corinthians 5:17-20

1 Corinthians 15:57-58

Ephesians 2:8-10

IV. Grace and Peace – vs. 7b

Charis - grace. of the merciful kindness by which God, exerting his holy influence upon souls, turns them to Christ, keeps, strengthens, increases them in Christian faith, knowledge, affection, and kindles them to the exercise of the Christian virtues

Eirēnē – <u>peace</u>, harmony, tranquility, freedom from worry

Closing Thought: God's people are divinely summoned to be Saints. Saints have specific functions in Christ's Church. Are you diligently living out your duties as a saint? If not, be transformed, by the renewing of your mind, and actively participate in the work you are to do as one belonging to Christ.