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But you must continue in the things which you have learned and been assured of, knowing from whom you have learned them, and that from childhood you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for [c]instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work —

2 Timothy 3:14-17

God wants His children to obey Him and make right decisions, so He accepts full responsibility for guiding us. In fact, He promises, "I will instruct you and teach you in the way which you should go" (**Psalm 32:8**). However, our lifetime isn't mapped out in an instruction manual to read in its entirety the day we're saved. Following God's will is a daily process of trust.

We learn God's will by reading His Word. There we find rules and commands that will lead to our success and principles for daily application. The Bible doesn't detail every possible situation we might face, but its principles equip us to make decisions about any and every circumstance we encounter. Studying God's Word is the only way for a believer to recognize His will. Today's passage says the sacred writings can give us the wisdom we need in order to be fully capable and equipped for the work God wants us to accomplish (vv. 15, 17).

Our heavenly Father is actively guiding every incident of our life, stitching the seemingly unrelated "threads" together to create something beautiful. As believers, we must be listening so we can discern when He's revealing His will. Pray every day that He'll make you sensitive to His ways. (*Dr. Charles Stanley*)

## **Prayer Points**

- Pray for the land & people of Israel; the Word of God commands us to do so (Psalm 122:6);
- Pray for Pastor Jaci & her family in these difficult times for strength.
- Pray for people who are in financial debt after they spend heavily over Christmas.
- Pray for God to comfort and strengthen those people who have lost loved ones in the fire and the crash in USA.
- Pray for people who are struggling to feed their families, as prices in may areas are increasing.
- Pray for people who have lost jobs redundancies that new door will open for them.
- Give God thanks for all our blessings He has given us in January 2025.
- Praise God Always Be Thankful.

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## Sons of Clergymen.

The term "**sons of clergymen**" in the 1700s often refers to the children of Anglican priests or ministers in the Church of England. These sons frequently followed in their fathers' footsteps, pursuing careers in the clergy or other educated professions.

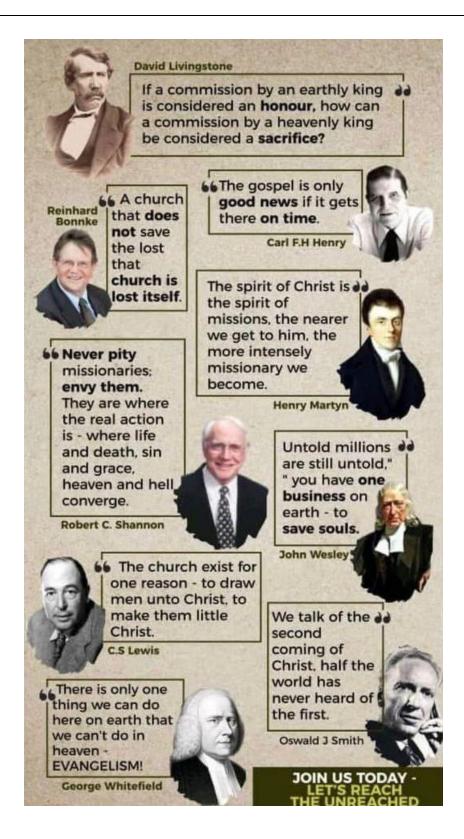
#### Here are a few notable examples:

**Thomas Edwards**: Born around 1700 in Virginia, his father was Thomas I Edwards, a clergyman. Thomas Edwards married Sarah Moseley and had several children.

**James Caldwell**: Born in 1734, he was the son of John Caldwell, a settler. James became a militant clergyman during the American Revolutionary War.

Clergy Orphan School: Established in 1751, this institution provided education for the sons of deceased clergymen. The school's register from 1751 to 1896 includes details about these children, such as their dates of birth and admission.

These examples illustrate the varied paths taken by the sons of clergymen in the 1700s, often influenced by their fathers' roles and the educational opportunities available to them.



#### Fishers of Men.

In the phrase "make you fishers of men," the Greek word for "men" is anthropos. This word generally means "human being" and can refer to both men and women. It emphasizes humanity as a whole rather than a specific gender.

The phrase "fishers of men" uses the metaphor of fishing to illustrate the mission of gathering people into the kingdom of God, much like fishermen gather fish. This calling was significant for Jesus' first disciples, many of whom were fishermen by trade

Watch on youtube – man preaching on a bus is slapped by a passenger and then ... https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=167yePf0GHo



Let's prayer for a blessed month.

Be a bright flame before me, Oh God, a guiding star above me.

Be a smooth path below me, a kindly shepherd behind me, tonight, and forever.

Alone with none but you, my God I journey on my way; what need I fear when you are near, Oh Lord of night and day?

More secure am I when in your hand than if a multitude did round me stand.