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FOR THIS CAUSE

SCRIPTURAL REFERENCE

John 18:28-37

ADDITIONAL STUDY

Jeremiah 1:4-10, Proverbs 28:1,
& Psalm 139:12-16

PRAYER

Dear Father, give me the grace to show and shine the colors you have given to my world using the unique gifts within me. May I always be ready to defend my cause with boldness as Jesus did; and my nothing stop me from fulfilling my assignment on this side of eternity in Jesus' name. Amen!

Pilate therefore said to Him, "Are You a king then?" Jesus answered, "You say rightly that I am a king. For this cause I was born, and for this cause I have come into the world, that I should bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth hears My voice." John 18:37

At Jesus' trial, He kept quiet most of the time until when He was asked about His God given assignment on earth. He quickly answered without mincing words; "Yes I am a king and I was born to lead people into the truth about God." A lesson in this for us is to know we have an assignment here on earth, it should be our passion and it should consume our moments. As a pastor, I am here to lead people into an area of truth about God so that they can have a balanced picture of who God is. What about you; what would you say your assignment is?

Your assignment is your highest purpose on earth. It is much more than a job or a professional pursuit. Everybody has a calling, a special unique assignment. This assignment is something you like to do, something that is easy for you, something you are enthusiastic about which brings you joy. In Ephesians 2:10, it is clear that God has prepared for us a path called 'good works' in which we should walk. Your assignment is the 'good work' you have been called to walk in, in your sphere of influence. Our good work is a source of light and we have been instructed by God to shine forth by doing these good works and by doing so we bring glory to God (Matthew 5:16).

In Hebrews 12:1, Paul exhorts us to "run with perseverance the race marked out for us." Ours is to 'run faithfully' along the track uniquely marked out for each of us. The key word there is 'faithfully'. When Jesus faced trials and was brought before Pilate, He didn't back down, rather He spoke with boldness and with clarity, declared who He was and why He was here. Let this be an attitude that you emulate as you go about your assignment, doing good works. Once you are faced with trials, don't retreat, keep moving forward. Don't take a detour, neither turn to the right nor to the left. Plant your feet in the ground and stand still.

It is my prayer that you begin to see the position God has placed you in as a platform to shine forth your light and that you will be bold to live and declare your assignment without fear or restraint. It is not time to be timid. Be bold. Do not fear your adversaries and those who question you. Go like Caleb and claim your mountain of influence! (Joshua 14:12).

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