

## **CALLED of GOD**

Jude opens his Epistle with a four-fold description of a Church Age Believer (CAB)

(Jude 1) “Jude (nsm), a **bond-slave** (doulas / nsm) of Jesus Christ, and brother (nsm) of James, to those who are **called** (tois kletos / dplm), **beloved** (agapao / perf.p.ptc.dplm) in God the Father and **kept** (tereo / perf.p.ptc.dplm) for Jesus Christ.”

Let me mention that bond-slave of Jesus Christ (**nsm**) and brother (**nsm**) of James are appositional nominatives used to identify Jude (**nsm**) as the author of the Book. However, the last three descriptions are dative plural masculine (dplm). They are used to describe the recipients of the Book of Jude.

<b>This lesson will study three doctrinal points of Called of God</b>
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- 1. The Hebrew word for called is (qara), emphasizing the content of the call. What did God say when He called? Whereas the Greek word for called is (kaleo), emphasizing the intent of the call. Why did God call me?**

(Heb.11:8) “By faith Abraham, **when he was called**, obeyed by going out to a place which he was to receive for an inheritance; and he went out, not knowing where he was going.” (Gen.12:1-4; Isa.51:2)

Notice that **beloved** and **kept** are perfect passive participles (dplm). They are used to describe **CALLED** (dplm). The perfect tense teaches the permanence of these three. The passive voice teaches that they are the results of grace salvation. The participle teaches positional truth to every CAB (2 Cor.5:17).

- 2. The primary theological idea of ‘Called of God’ is to show God’s sovereignty and authority over a person or thing decreed in the Plan of God (Eph.1:4; Rom.11:29).**

- (Gen.1:5) Day One
- (Ps.147:4) Stars
- (Gen.2:19) Adam naming animals
- (Lk.1:31) Mary and Joseph naming Jesus (Matt.1:25)
- (1 Jn.3:1) Children of God

- 3. A secondary theological idea of ‘Called of God’ is to summon or invite someone to an event requiring an RSVP (volitional) response (Matt.22:1-14) [Royal Wedding].**

- (Matt.22:1-3) Privileged invited (Wedding RSVP)
- (Matt.22:4-7) Punished invited (Refused volitionally)
- (Matt.22:8-12) Unprivileged invited (Wedding Robes)
- (Matt.22:13) Punished invited (Refused volitionally)
- (Matt.22:14) Proverb: (2 Pet.3:9) Called are those who have accepted God’s Call.  
Once called always called.