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"Call to Prayer"

"And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved." (Acts 2:21)

Coming Back to Our Calling

<u>Genesis 3:8-10</u> – ⁸ "And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. ⁹ But the LORD God <u>called to the man and said to him, 'Where are you</u>?' ¹⁰ And he said, 'I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself.'"

<u>Genesis 4:26</u> – "To Seth also a son was born, and he called his name Enosh. At that time people began to call upon the name of the LORD."

The Upward Calling

<u>Psalm 50:14-15</u> – ¹⁴ "Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and perform your vows to the Most High, ¹⁵ <u>and call upon me in the day of trouble</u>; I will deliver you, and you shall glorify me."

<u>Hebrews 4:16</u> – "Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need."

<u>Matthew 7:7-11</u> – ⁷ "Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. ⁸ For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened. ⁹ Or which one of you, if his son asks him for bread, will give him a stone? ¹⁰ Or if he asks for a fish, will give him a serpent? ¹¹ If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give good things to those who ask him!"

Prepping in Perilous Times

<u>Luke 21:34-36</u> - ³⁴ "But watch yourselves lest your hearts be weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and cares of this life, and that day come upon you suddenly like a trap. ³⁵ For it will come upon all who dwell on the face of the whole earth. ³⁶ But stay awake at all times, praying that you may have strength to escape all these things that are going to take place, and to stand before the Son of Man."

<u>1 Peter 4:7</u> – "The end of all things is at hand; therefore be self-controlled and sober-minded for the sake of your prayers."

<u>1 Samuel 12:23</u> – "Moreover, as for me, far be it from me that I should sin against the LORD by ceasing to pray for you, and I will instruct you in the good and the right way."

(ESV used unless otherwise noted)

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