

# Worthy of the Calling

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- Introduction

- Praying for the tragic events happening in the church and the world
- Celebrating Pastor Ted
- What school taught me:
  - I read a book about \_\_\_\_\_, and I couldn't put it down.
  - I saw theatrical performance on puns, it was a \_\_\_\_\_ on words.
  - I took a tour of the Coca Cola factory, and it ended with a \_\_\_\_\_ quiz.
  - I found that broken pencils are \_\_\_\_\_.
  - I discovered how Moses made tea. \_\_\_\_\_.
- Ephesus
- Ephesians 1:3, *Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ. 4 For he chose us in him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight. In love 5 he predestined us to be adopted as his sons through Jesus Christ, in accordance with his pleasure and will-- 6 to the praise of his glorious grace, which he has freely given us in the One he loves."*

- TO GOD BE THE GLORY

- Ephesians 3:20, *"Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, 21 to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen."*
- To God be the glory in the church
- The Greatest Commandment! Mark 12:30, *"Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength."*

- OUR CALLING

- Ephesians 4:1 *"I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called."*

- Ephesians 4:2, "with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, 3 making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace."

- HUMILITY

- Growing up Chinese American
- Urbana Missions Conference
- No Room for boastful pride
- Bruce Lee

- GENTLENESS

- My Dad
- Acts 8:32, "He was led like a sheep to the slaughter, and as a **lamb** before the shearer is silent, so he did not open his mouth."
- Philippians 4:5, "Let your gentleness be evident to all."

- PATIENCE, BEARING ONE ANOTHER IN LOVE

- Raising children
- We people to Christ with patient love

- Ephesians 4:4, "There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, 5 one Lord, one faith, one baptism, 6 one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all."

- The Trinity
- Unity
  - It's not about you!
- The unity of the church is found in the glory of God in Christ Jesus.
- One God and Father
- It takes commitment