# Our Sovereign God who Calls Us!

for His redemptive work and purpose

# God Calls His People, and His call is irrevocable!

for God's gifts and his call are irrevocable.

(Romans 11:29)

And those he predestined, he also called; those he called, he also justified; those he justified, he also glorified.

(Romans 8:30)

# Two type of callings: "calling" and "Calling"

Similarity:

Both are results of God's Sovereign orchestration and leading.

#### Difference:

- "calling" has to do with unilateral natural calling requiring little to no response!
- -Your family, ethnicity, gender, physical appearance, etc
- -Your natural gifts, personality, abilities, interests, major, work, etc,
- -Your birth place, where you grew up, places you've been, who you know, years to will live, etc

## "Calling" has to do with spiritual Calling requiring a bilateral response!

#### General spiritual Calling

**OT:** To a covenant relationship, to be a people of God, to be a blessing, to Ten Commandments, not to obstinance, rebellion and sin, to know and worship God, to fear God, to believe(trust) and obey God, to be wholehearted for God, to love and delight in His Word (laws, commandments, testimonies, precepts, statues, judgments, ordinances), to listen to the prophets,...

NT: To the great commandment, to the great commission, to the kingdom of God, to be Spirit-filled, to be a disciple of Christ, to regeneration and sanctification, to be conform to the image of Christ, to love as Jesus loved, to be holy and righteous, to serve God, to be a priest and prophet for God

#### Specific spiritual Calling

Abraham, Moses, Isaiah, Jeremiah, Paul, etc

## So then, how does God Call His people?

For Abraham (Genesis 12:1-5)

God Called him over his natural callings! (family, safety/security, comforts, or preferences)

For Moses (Exodus 4:10-17)

God Called him over his doubt and lack of gift! (His call is over gifts we may have or not have)

### For Isaiah (Isaiah 6:1-6)

God Called him over his weakness and sins! (man of unclean lips living among a people of unclean lips)

### For Jeremiah (Jeremiah 1:4-10)

God Called him over his youthful age and lack of ability! (lack age, experience, skills, not respected, not listened to)

For Paul (Acts 9:1-19)

God Called him over his history of sin and being an enemy of the gospel! (persecutor of the church, on his way Damascus to persecute more)