

When God calls you to join Him in His work, realize that at the very moment of His calling, it is God's timing for you to respond. Many feel that when they hear God's calling they must prepare to do God's work before they can respond and join Him. This is not what we see in the Bible. Abraham immediately put aside everything in his life and obediently responded to God voice when God asked him to give his son Isaac as a sacrifice (Gen 22). When Ananias heard God tell him to meet Saul and give him a message, he immediately obeyed (Acts 9:15). These men did not prepare themselves first, they simply obeyed.

Many times you might feel that you are not ready when God asks you to join Him. Perhaps you have sinned against Him. Perhaps you're in a bad mood. Then God calls you and you say, "Sure, but let me wait until I'm ready, then I'll join." Doesn't the all-knowing Father in heaven know when you are ready to do something God-sized? Of course he does! God's timing is *always* best! Yet too often, *we* decide when the "right" timing is. We must sacrifice our mood or our feelings and realize that God has a bigger project that involves us. God says to "come as you are". He doesn't say to come when you are ready.

Be encouraged knowing that when God calls you to work with Him, it *is* the right timing—then and there—for you to respond. When God calls you to do something, don't wait until you feel like you're right with God to obey Him. Put aside your ideas and plans and leave it up to God's sovereign nature.

When the President tells one of his workers to do something, the worker's mood at that moment has no relevance to whether he/she should respond or not. The worker *has* to do it! How much more so with God, the Lord of all things!