

# WHO HATH ENABLED ME

## 1 TIMOTHY 1

Text:

Introduction:

### **1. A PROBLEM**

John 15:5

I am the vine, ye are the branches: He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing.

A. Our lack of ability.

### **2. OUR POWER**

1 Tim. 1:12

And I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who hath enabled me, for that he counted me faithful, putting me into the ministry;

2 Cor. 12:10

Therefore I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in necessities, in persecutions, in distresses for Christ's sake: for when I am weak, then am I strong.

### 3. HIS PURPOSE

John 3:16-18

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. [17] For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.

[18] He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.

A. God's purpose was to redeem fallen man.

1. Why

a. Because of His love for man.

2. How

a. Though Jesus Christ

1. Not to condemn the world but that the world through Him might be saved.

2. Man is condemned already

God's purpose was to redeem fallen man back to Himself.

## B. The Purpose of Christ

### 1. To save from sin.

(Matthew 1:21) "And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins."

(Matthew 18:11-14) "For the Son of man is come to save that which was lost. {12} How think ye? if a man have an hundred sheep, and one of them be gone astray, doth he not leave the ninety and nine, and goeth into the mountains, and seeketh that which is gone astray? {13} And if so be that he find it, verily I say unto you, he rejoiceth more of that sheep, than of the ninety and nine which went not astray. {14} Even so it is not the will of your Father which is in heaven, that one of these little ones should perish."

(John 10:10) "The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly."

### 2. To fulfill the law

(Matthew 5:17) "Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfil."

### 3. Do the will of God

(John 4:34) "Jesus saith unto them, My meat is to do the will of him that sent me, and to finish his work."

### 4. Destroy the work of the Devil

(1 John 3:8) "He that committeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil."

## C. Purpose Of The Christian

1. We are sent for the same purpose with the exception of providing salvation as was Christ.

(John 20:21) "Then said Jesus to them again, Peace be unto you: as my Father hath sent me, even so send I you."

2. We are here for His purpose.

(2 Timothy 1:9) "Who hath saved us, and called us with an holy calling, not according to our works, but according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began,"

3. Taking His purpose and making it our purpose should be very obvious to the world and those around you.

(2 Timothy 3:10) "But thou hast fully known my doctrine, manner of life, purpose, faith, longsuffering, charity, patience,"