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God calls His people to serve Him, in different ways, as workers in the harvest fields. As we explore "Hark, the Voice of Jesus Crying," consider how and where you can proclaim Christ.

Isaiah responds with what seems to be great willingness Opening Prayer: Dear heavenly Father, thank You for and eagerness. He is ready to do what God calls him to sending Your Son to die on the cross and rise again so do. How have you responded to God's call in your life? that we would be certain of the forgiveness of our sins and the hope of eternal life in heaven. Please be with us as we study Your Word. Help us to hear Your words with open hearts and open ears, that we might heed Your call to proclaim Your Word to all people. In Jesus' name we Read or sing: Verse 2 pray. Amen. What stands out to you about this verse of the hymn? Read 1 Samuel 3. Who was God calling?_____ What was strange about God calling at that time (v. 2)? What are some ways you "tell the love of Jesus" in your everyday life? What does verse 19 say about the relationship between Samuel and God? _____ Read Matthew 5:14-16. What does God call you?_____ How is the calling of Samuel different from God's calling What instruction is given to you, as a follower of Christ? to people today?_____ Aside from words, how can you be the "light of the Read or sing: Verse 1 Read Isaiah 6:8 together. Again, we have a biblical character that audibly hears God's call. What is Isaiah's response to this call? _____



What does 1 Corinthians 10:31 say about our overyday

lives?
Read or sing: Verse 3
How does this verse of the hymn differ from verse two?
Right now, what are some tangible ways you can "hold up the prophet's hands"?
Read Colossians 4:3-4 . What is Paul's encouragement to the Colossians?
Read or sing: Verse 4
What does the hymnwriter admonish the reader to not say?
Why is that an easy excuse for us to not heed God's calling?
How does the hymnwriter encourage us to respond to God's call?
What is that calling?

Read **Matthew 28:19-20**. Go out into the world to proclaim Christ with the assurance that Jesus will be with you always. He will give you the words, and He will do the work of growing faith in those who hear His Word.

Closing Prayer: Dear Heavenly Father, help us to say, "Here am I! Send me!" and to remember Your promise to always be with us as we proclaim Your message of salvation to the ends of the Earth. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

Hark, the Voice of Jesus Crying

- 1 Hark, the voice of Jesus crying,
 "Who will go and work today?
 Fields are white
 and harvests waiting—
 Who will bear the sheaves away?"
 Loud and long the Master calleth;
 Rich reward He offers thee.
 Who will answer, gladly saying,
 "Here am I, send me, send me"?
- 2 If you cannot speak like angels, If you cannot preach like Paul, You can tell the love of Jesus, You can say He died for all. If you cannot rouse the wicked With the judgment's dread alarms, You can lead the little children To the Savior's waiting arms.
- 3 If you cannot be a watchman, Standing high on Zion's wall, Pointing out the path to heaven, Off'ring life and peace to all, With your prayers and with your bounties You can do what God commands; You can be like faithful Aaron, Holding up the prophet's hands.
- 4 Let none hear you idly saying,
 "There is nothing I can do,"
 While the multitudes are dying
 And the Master calls for you.
 Take the task He gives you gladly,
 Let His work your pleasure be;
 Answer quickly when He calleth,
 "Here am I, send me, send me!"

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