



呼召-我们存在的目的 (3)
CALLING-THE REASON OF
OUR BEING

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主要经文

The Primary Verses

传道书 / Ecclesiastes

3:9-11

彼得前书 / I Peter

2:9-10

耶稣的人生成功吗？

How Successful was Jesus' Life?

- 众人认为耶稣没有资格教导 (Many thought Jesus was not qualified to teach)
 - “到了节期，耶稣上殿里去教训人。 犹太人就稀奇说：“这个人没有学过，怎么明白书呢？” (约翰 7:14-15)
 - “But when it was now the midst of the feast Jesus went up into the temple, and began to teach. The Jews then were astonished, saying, “How has this man become learned, having never been educated?”
- 门徒多人离开耶稣 (Many left Jesus)
 - “从此，他门徒中多有退去的，不再和他同行。”(约翰福音/John 6:66)
 - “As a result of this many of His disciples withdrew and were not walking with Him anymore.”
- 死在罪犯之中 (He died among the criminals)
 - “他虽然未行强暴，口中也没有诡诈，人还使他与恶人同埋。” (以赛亚书/Isaiah 53:9a)
 - “His grave was assigned with wicked men...because He had done no violence, nor was there any deceit in His mouth.”

你成功人生的定义是什么？

What are Your Criteria of Success?

- 所罗门日光之下的观点

Solomon's Perspective Under the Sun

- “活着的人知道必死，死了的人毫无所知，也不再得赏赐，他们的名无人纪念。他们的爱、他们的恨、他们的嫉妒早都消灭了，在日光之下所行的一切事上，他们永不再有份了。”（传道书/Ecc. 9:5-6）
- “For the living know they will die; but the dead do not know anything, nor have they any longer a reward, for their memory is forgotten. Indeed their love, their hate and their zeal have already perished, and they will no longer have a share in all that is done **under the sun.**”

人 - 在时间的长河里

Man - In the Stretch of Tim

How old is it?



The Universe
~13.8 billion years



The Milky Way
~13.6 billion years



Our Sun
~4.5 billion years

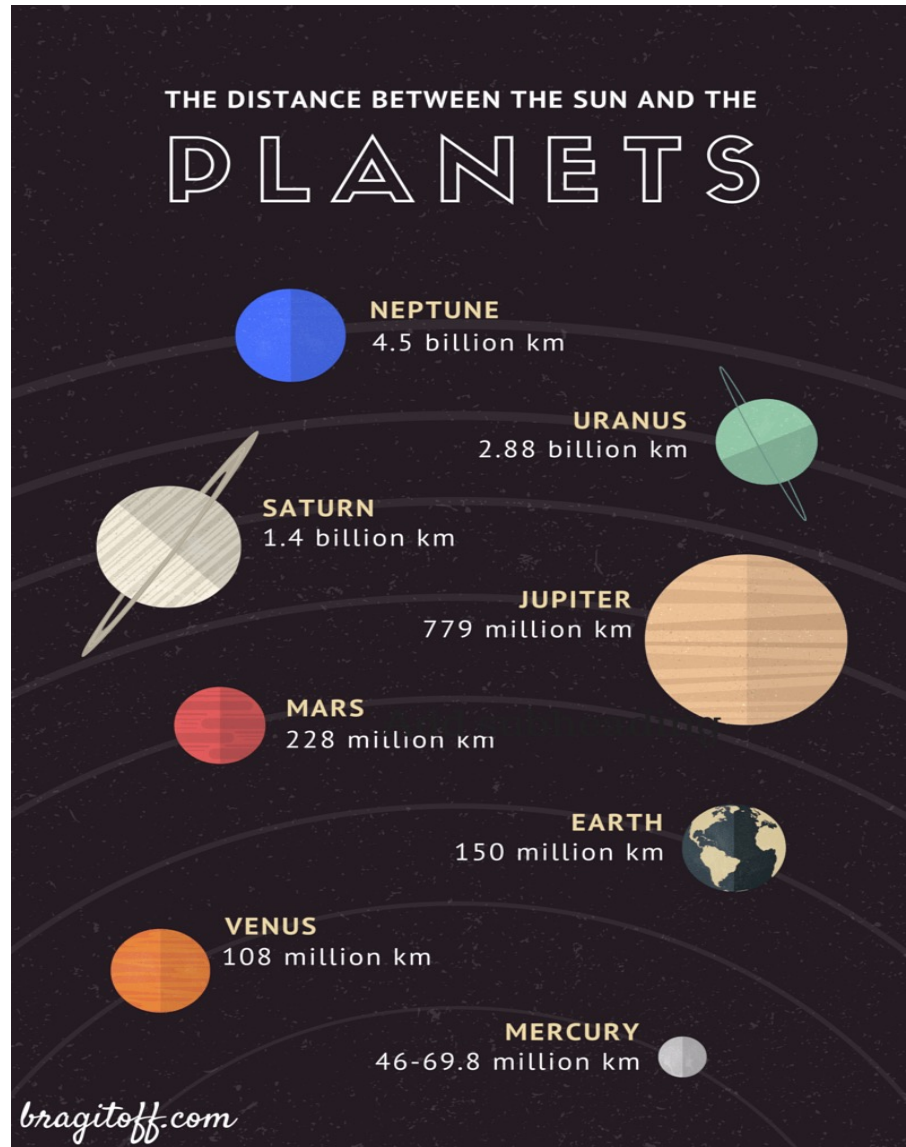


Earth
~4.5 billion years

- 摩西的感叹
 - 我们一生的年日是七十岁，若是强壮可到八十岁，但其中所矜夸的不过是劳苦愁烦；转眼成空，我们便如飞而去。（诗篇/Psalms 90:10）
 - “As for the days of our life, they contain **seventy years**, or if due to strength, **eighty years**, yet their pride is but labor and sorrow; for soon it is gone and we fly away.”

人 - 在浩瀚的空间中

Man - In the Vastness of Space



- 以赛亚的感叹
 - “看哪，万民都像水桶的一滴，又算如天平上的微尘，他举起众海岛，好像极微之物。”（以赛亚/Isaiah 40:15）
 - “Behold, the nations are like a drop from a bucket, and are regarded as a speck of dust on the scales. Behold, He lifts up the islands like fine dust.”

人算什么？ What is Man?

- 大卫的感叹 - 日光之下 (The Sigh of David – Under the Sun)
 - “世人行动实系幻影，他们忙乱真是枉然，积蓄财宝不知将来有谁收取。主啊，如今我等什么呢？我的指望在乎你。”（诗篇/Psa. 39:6-7）
“Surely every man walks about as a phantom; surely they make an uproar for nothing; He amasses riches and does not know who will gather them. And now, Lord, **for what do I wait? My hope is in You.**”
- 大卫的渴望 - 日光之上 (The Desire of David – Above the Sun)
 - “我观看你指头所造的天，并你所陈设的月亮星宿，便说：“人算什么，你竟顾念他？世人算什么，你竟眷顾他？”（诗篇/Psa. 8:3-4）
 - “When I consider Your heavens, the work of Your fingers, the moon and the stars, which You have ordained. What is man that You take thought of him, and the son of man that You care for him?”

呼召

The Calling

- 神以有盼望的呼召，召我们

God called us with a calling of hope

- “求我们主耶稣基督的神、荣耀的父，将那赐人智慧和启示的灵赏给你们，使你们真知道他。并且**照明你们心中的眼睛，使你们知道他的恩召有何等指望**，他在圣徒中得的基业有何等丰盛的荣耀；”（以弗所书/Eph. 1:17-18）

“that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give to you a spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of Him. I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened, so that **you will know what is the hope of His calling**, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints,.”

呼召

The Calling

- 神以荣耀的呼召，召我们

God called us with a Calling of Glory

“你叫他比天使微小一点，并赐他荣耀尊贵为冠冕。”（诗篇/Psa. 8:5）

- “For You have made him a little lower than the angels, and You have crowned him with glory and honor.”
- 是耶稣的指望 (It is the desire of Jesus)
 - “父啊，现在求你使我同你享荣耀，就是未有世界以先我同你所有的荣耀。”（约翰/John 17:5）
 - “Now, Father, glorify Me together with Yourself, with the glory which I had with You before the world was.”

呼召

The Calling

- 也是我们的指望 (It is also our desire)
 - “又因爱我们，就按着自己意旨所喜悦的，预定我们借着耶稣基督得儿子的名分，使他荣耀的恩典得着称赞。这恩典是他在爱子里所赐给我们的。”
(以弗所/Eph. 1:5-6)
 - “He predestined us to adoption as sons through Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the kind intention of His will, to the praise of the glory of His grace, which He freely bestowed on us in the Beloved.”

The Making of The Calling

- 荣耀的路 (The Path to Glory)

- “我们晓得万事都互相效力，叫爱神的人得益处，就是按他旨意被召的人。因为他预先所知道的人，就预先定下效法他儿子的模样，使他儿子在许多弟兄中做长子；预先所定下的人又召他们来，所召来的人又称他们为义，所称为义的人又叫他们得荣耀。”（罗马/Romans 8:28-30）
- “And we know that God causes all things to work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose. For those whom He foreknew, He also predestined to become conformed to the image of His Son, so that He would be the firstborn among many brethren; and these whom He predestined, He also called; and these whom He called, He also justified; and these whom He justified, He also glorified. “

荣耀的路

The Path to Glory

- 呼召 - 认识这“分别”

The Calling - Observe the “Setting Apart”

- “然而，那把我从母腹里分别出来，又施恩召我的神。”（加拉太/Gal. 1:15）

“But when God, who had set me apart even from my mother’s womb and called me through His grace, was pleased.”

- 神分别他所召的（God sets apart who He Called）

- “人在何事上得以知道我和你的百姓在你眼前蒙恩呢？岂不是因你与我们同去，使我和你的百姓与地上的万民有分别吗？”（出埃及/Exodus 3:16）

“For how then can it be known that I have found favor in Your sight, I and Your people? Is it not by Your going with us, so that we, I and Your people, may be distinguished from all the other people who are upon the face of the earth?”

荣耀的路

The Path to Glory

- 呼召 – 调整你“眼光”

The Calling – Orient Your Perspective

- “我为主被囚的劝你们：既然蒙召，行事为人就当与蒙召的恩相称，”
(以弗所/Eph. 4:1)

“Therefore I, the prisoner of the Lord, implore you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling with which you have been called.”

- 我们所行的一切是否配 (How are we be worthy in what we do?)

- “因此，我们常为你们祷告，愿我们的神看你们配得过所蒙的召，又用大能成就你们一切所羡慕的良善和一切因信心所做的工夫，” (帖后/II Ths. 1:11)

“To this end also we pray for you always, that our God will count you worthy of your calling, and fulfill every desire for goodness and the work of faith with power.”

荣耀的路

The Path to Glory

- 呼召 – 作决定回应

The Calling – Decide the course of your life

- “你们蒙召原是为这，因基督也为你们受过苦，给你们留下榜样，叫你们跟随他的脚踪行。”（彼得前书/I Peter 2:21）

“For you have been called for this purpose, since Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example for you to follow in His steps.”

- The Calling is always bigger than you

- “神是信实的，你们原是被他所召，好与他儿子我们的主耶稣基督一同得份”（林前/I Cor. 1:9）

“God is faithful, through whom you were called into fellowship with His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.”

榮耀的路

The Path to Glory

- 呼召- 更加的殷勤的走

The Calling – Act on the designated course – Be more diligent

- “所以弟兄们，应当更加殷勤，使你们所蒙的恩召和拣选坚定不移。你们若行这几样，就永不失脚。”（彼得后书/II Peter 1:10）
- “Therefore, brethren, be all the more diligent to make certain about His calling and choosing you; for as long as you practice these things, you will never stumble;”

荣耀的路

The Path to Glory

- 呼召 – 更加的坚定的走
- The Calling – Act on the designated course – Be more determined
 - “弟兄们，我不是以为自己已经得着了，我只有一件事，就是**忘记背后，努力面前的**，向着标竿直跑，要得神在基督耶稣里从上面召我来得的奖赏。”
(腓立比书/Phil. 3:13-14)
 - “Brethren, I do not regard myself as having laid hold of it yet; but one thing I do: **forgetting what lies behind and reaching forward to what lies ahead**, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.”

榮耀的路

The Path to Glory

- The OODA Loop of our life
 - Observe – Be Wise (不作糊塗人)
 - Orient – Be Pure (不隨從世俗)
 - Decide – Be Single-Minded (不心懷二意)
 - Act – Be Diligent (不作懶惰人)

呼召

The Calling

- 我们这蒙召的人

We who are called

- “唯有你们是被拣选的族类，是有君尊的祭司，是圣洁的国度，是属神的子民，要叫你们宣扬那召你们出黑暗、入奇妙光明者的美德。你们从前算不得子民，现在却做了神的子民；从前未曾蒙怜恤，现在却蒙了怜恤。”
(彼得前书 / I Peter 2:9-10)

“But you are A CHOSEN RACE, A royal PRIESTHOOD, A HOLY NATION, A PEOPLE FOR God’s OWN POSSESSION, so that you may proclaim the excellencies of Him **who has called you** out of darkness into His marvelous light; for you once were NOT A PEOPLE, but now you are THE PEOPLE OF GOD; you had NOT RECEIVED MERCY, but now you have RECEIVED MERCY.”