

**2 Timothy 1:9, “Who hath saved us, and called us with a 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.”**



Isaiah 64:4, “For since the beginning of the world men have not heard, nor perceived by the ear, neither hath the eye seen, O God, beside thee, what he hath prepared for him that waiteth for him.”

My vision of what God can do through me is limited and can hold me back from doing His purpose in my life. Like Moses who thought he was not good at speaking and argued that he was not the right man for the job, we must be careful to not focus on our own weaknesses and allow the negative thoughts to prevent us from enjoying the blessings of serving God.

Notice that our verse states, “not according to our works.” It is not our abilities that determine whether we can do something which God has called us to do. He only wants us to be willing and then lean on Him; the one who can do ANYTHING through us.

Next, I want us to examine the last phrase, “which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began.”

Really think on this. Our mission or purpose in life was given us in Christ BEFORE the world began. That’s a pretty awesome thought! That means before God created the world, before He created Adam and Eve, He thought about me and MY purpose on earth for Him. That’s thousands of years! This should prove to us that not only are we important to God, but our mission and purpose in life is important as well.

May this verse motivate us to ignore our reasoning or excuses why we can’t and reassure ourselves that we can because through Christ we can do anything!

Philippians 4:13, “I can do all things through Christ which strengthen me.”