

# Calling and Qualities of a Servant/Missionary

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## Calling:

## Characteristics:

One of the first Characteristics we see is:

1. Spirit filled:

**Acts 13: 51-52**, “but they shook off the dust of their feet in protest against them and went to Iconium. And the disciples were continually filled with joy and with the Holy Spirit.”.

chapter **14:1-3**, “speaking boldly with reliance upon the Lord”.

**Acts 14:27**, “And when they arrived and gathered the church together, they began to report all the things that God had done with them and how He had opened a door of faith to the Gentiles”.

2. Boldness:

**I Thessalonians 2:2-4**, “But after we had already suffered and been mistreated in Philippi, as you know we had the boldness in our God to speak to you the gospel of God amid much opposition.”

**John MacArthur** says, “Boldness is that essential quality without which nothing significant can be accomplished for the gospel. Boldness is what enables believer to persist in the face of opposition.”

There early preachers had this boldness as well, Peter and John answered in

**Acts 4:19-20**, “Whether it is right in the sight of God to give heed to you rather than to God, you be the judge; for we cannot stop speaking what we have seen and heard”

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3. Humility: Acts 14:8-18

**I Peter 5:5-6**, “You younger men, likewise be subject to your elders; and all of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward one another, for God is opposed to the proud, but gives grace

to the humble. Humble yourselves, therefore under the mighty hand of God, that He may exhaust you at the proper time.”

**I Peter 4:11** says, “whoever speaks, is to do as one who is speaking the utterances of God; whoever serves is to do so as one who is serving by the strength which God supplies; so that in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom belongs the glory and dominion forever and ever, amen.

4. Persistence: **14:19-28**

“making the most of his time, because the days were evil.” Eph. 5:16

DL Moody would not go to bed at night without having witnesses to one person each day. If he had not had a chance all day to do that he would open the phone book and randomly call someone and share the gospel with them.

5. Caring: **verses 20-21**

**James 4:4** says, “You adulteresses, do you not know that friendship with the world is hostility toward God? Therefore whoever wished to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God.”