

Pastor's Weekly Devotional- July 23, 2015

“Job Description”

In 1814, an American lawyer, Francis Scott Key, was held captive on a Royal Navy vessel where he viewed the English assault on Baltimore. From the ship, he saw the rockets distinctive glare against the dark sky. However, Key is remembered, not as an attorney or prisoner in history, but as the writer of the American national anthem. Since he was no songwriter, his lofty poem was put to the tune of a popular drinking ditty.

This reminds us that no single job description fully defines anyone. Francis Scott Key's legacy amounted to more than the way he made his money or his profession. In a similar way, God uses all of our gifts causing all that we do to result in “the high calling” He has created us to do and to become.

God didn't send Jesus to be a doctor, lawyer, professor or to be part of high society. He sent Him to be the Savior of the world. His sole purpose was to die for our sins on the Cross. His job description by today's standards was far from respectability. He was poor. He lived in an obscure village. He was simply a carpenter. Still, at the end, He declared, “It is finished.” “I've completed my job!”

What has God called you to do? Have a sympathizing ear? Be an encourager? Lend a hand? Help the poor? What's your job description? It's never too late to start doing what you can do. At the end of his life, the Apostle Paul wrote: “...I have finished my course (my job description) and have kept the faith (I have finished my job completely and uncompromisingly)” 2 Timothy4:7. What will we say at the end of our lives? So take time and review your life's job description.

Have a blessed week!
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