

Story of My Life: Called and Commissioned

We get to tell the greatest story ever told to the world! (2 Corinthians 5:17-21)

1. God gives us a new identity, which shapes our plotline in God's story. (2 Corinthians 5:17; Ephesians 1:11 MSG)

Our God-given identity means we get a fresh start! (2 Corinthians 5:19a)

Rick Warren: "God transforms your test into a testimony, your mess into a message, and your misery into a ministry."

What is the story that only **you** get to tell?

2. We get to be part of God's great "comeback" story.
(2 Corinthians 5:18, 20)

"Sharing your God story is participating in the process of reconciliation."

There is so much to the idea of being ambassadors.

- An ambassador does not speak to please his audience, but the King who sent him.
- An ambassador does not speak on his own authority; his own opinions or demands mean little.
- An ambassador simply says what he has been commissioned to say.
- An ambassador is more than a messenger; he is also a representative, and the honor and reputation of his country are in his hands.

Remember that relationships thrive when we bring reconciliation, not condemnation.

"Evangelism is not so much about reminding people how lost they are, but how loved they are."

God wants to use you to tell the never-ending story of life change!

What is God doing/has done for you and through you?

What do I need to do to more fully embrace my story?