

THE HIGHEST CALL ON YOUR LIFE

When I was just a tiny little baby
I was a miracle to those around me
So delicate and new to this world
A representative of life's great mysteries

As I grew older, I witnessed all the wonders
And beauty in life all my eyes could see
I would stare in awe and fearlessly experience
The fortune in all my discoveries

As a youngster, I was full of questions
Always searching for answers to everything
I never hesitated to inquire when curious
Someone had to know what was foreign to me

Then life began to show me some hard lessons
In response to my desire to live free
I wasn't prepared for it to be so disciplined
"That's not fair" became commonplace to me

My journey began to be polluted with uncertainty
Doubt, fear, heartache, and disbelief
Being a teenager was still filled with wonder
But there were times when it would bring me to my knees

I encountered skepticism and pessimism
Free thinking and profound unbelief
The questions I once asked as a child
Seemed silly, petty, and so beneath me

I decided to walk alone
Even though there were times I held another's hand
Trust became a parting memory
My mantra became, "I think I can."

Occasionally, I would try to fit in
Adapting to customs and various traditions
Yet, ever so often I asked myself
"What in the world am I doing?"

I had to step back and assess the situation
Determine what was truly important to me
Is it the world and all its uncompromising values?
Or is it love of self, others, and the God who created me?

Our values can guide our every decision
What motivates you can change everyday
Our commitments drift like the wind
What makes us different is a little of everything

Your internal GPS can miscalculate your ETA
Even though there are many routes you can take

Jeremiah 1:5 Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart; I appointed you as a prophet to the nations."

THE HIGHEST CALL ON YOUR LIFE

Over time, you stop trying to play a part
Refusing to repeat the same mistakes

How much of your life are you willing to give
Trying to live up to other's expectations of you
There must come a time in your life when you say
"It's time to do what I gotta do."

No more compromising my values
No more going along with the crowd
No more hoping and wishing
No more settling down

I will live my life and be happy
I will remember to watch and pray
Faith without works is dead
I will seize today and every day

No more looking back on the past
And what should or could have been
No more chasing hopeless dreams
NOW is my time to begin again

Naysayer, where you at?
I'm giving notice to you right NOW
You talked the talk, NOW walk your walk
I cannot, nor will I bow down

I must give the whole world notice
This is the new and improved me
I may not be a child anymore
But I have a Father who can do anything

Some say life is short
Others say it's unfair
Another says it's a joke
Life laughs and says, "I don't care!"

Refuse to wallow in self pity
Tell fear to move out of your way
Don't be sidetracked by failures
Learn the lesson and keep paving the way

The years do go by too quickly
Soon each of us must say goodbye
Always remember, the one who holds your future
Is somebody bigger than you and I

Shuntrela Rogers-Gillion© 08-15-2018



Jeremiah 1:5 Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart; I appointed you as a prophet to the nations."