4 CALLS FOR SOUL-WINNING

(Acts 4:13-20)

INTRODUCTION

Why do we keep seeking souls, asking, and inviting people to become Christians?

(Proverbs 11:30) "... and he who wins souls is wise ... "
(Isaiah 6:8) "... and who will go for Us? Then I said, Here am I. Send me."
(1 Corinthians 3:5-7) "... but God who gives the increase."

(Luke 10:2) "... pray the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest."

1. CALL FROM WITHIN

(Acts 4:18) "they commanded them not to speak at all nor teach in the name of Jesus"
(v20) "We cannot but speak ..."
(Psalm 107:2) "Let the redeemed of the Lord say so ..."
(Jeremiah 20:9) "... but, His word was in my heart like a burning fire shut up in my bones;
I was weary of holding it back, and I could not."
(1 Corinthians 9:16) "... woe is me if I do not preach the gospel."

2. CALL FROM WITHOUT

(Acts 16:8-10) "... Come over to Macedonia and help us ..." Hymn #650 Send The Light We strive to answer that call: note listings on the back of the Bulletin.

3. CALL FROM ABOVE

There's a heavenly calling in seeking the lost. It's in the great commission of Jesus to the disciples: (Matthew 28:18-20) "Go ye" (Acts 5:28-29) "... We ought to obey God rather than men."

4. CALL FROM BENEATH - (Luke 16:19-31)

(v27-28) "Then he said, I beg you therefore, father, that you would send him to my father's house, for I have five brothers, that he may testify to them, lest they also come to this place of torment."

Souls in torment become interested in saving the souls remaining on earth. If we could hear them, they would say, "Don't come here."

The answer: (v31) "If they do not hear Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded though one rise from the dead."

CLOSE: (Romans 1:16) "I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ, for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone who believes ... "