**How to be used by God**

 **You must have a sure knowledge of your own salvation.**

He has saved us and called us to a holy life —not because of anything we have done but because of his own purpose and grace. This grace was given us in Christ Jesus before the beginning of time,

-2 Timothy 1:9

And this is the testimony: God has given us eternal life, and this life is in his Son.

-1 John 5:11

The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God’s children.

-Romans 8:16

 **You must have a strong desire to be used and be available.**

Whom have I in heaven but you? And earth has nothing I desire besides you.

-Psalms 73:25

He fulfills the desires of those who fear him; he hears their cry and saves them.

-Psalms 145:19

What the wicked dread will overtake them; what the righteous desire will be granted.

-Proverbs 10:24

Here is a trustworthy saying: Whoever aspires to be an overseer desires a noble task.

-1 Timothy 3:1

 **You must be a student of God’s Word.**

Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth.

-2 Timothy 2:15

Romans Road: Rm. 3:23, Rm. 6:23, Rm. 10:9-10.

**You must be led by the Holy Spirit and be teachable.**

For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God.

-Romans 8:14

And the things you have heard me say in the presence of many witnesses entrust to reliable people who will also be qualified to teach others.

-2 Timothy 2:2

 **You must have a heart of compassion**

For Christ’s love compels us, because we are convinced that one died for all, and therefore all died.

-2 Corinthians 5:14

When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd.

-Matthew 9:36

**You must be a person of prayer**

but those who wait upon the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary; they will walk and not be faint.

-Isaiah 40:31

and will give our attention to prayer and the ministry of the word."

-Acts 6:4

**You must invest yourself and your money in God’s work**

"Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moths and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal.

But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moths and vermin do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal.

For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

-Matthew 6:19-21

**You must be bold and operate in faith.**

Now, Lord, consider their threats and enable your servants to speak your word with great boldness.

Stretch out your hand to heal and perform signs and wonders through the name of your holy servant Jesus."

After they prayed, the place where they were meeting was shaken. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke the word of God boldly.

-Acts 4:29-31

**You must be obedient to God’s voice.**

By myself I can do nothing; I judge only as I hear, and my judgment is just, for I seek not to please myself but him who sent me.

-John 5:30

 **You must seek to bring honor and glory to Christ.**

Therefore, as it is written: "Let the one who boasts boast in the Lord."

-1 Corinthians 1:31

whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God.

-1 Corinthians 10:31