The Call Of Jeremiah KZ Lesson Sun Am 1/9/22

# Memory Verse: Philippians 4:13 NKJV

# 13I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.

Target Thought: If God tells you to do it, you can do it.

"I just can’t do it!" Have you ever said that? Of course you have, we have all said that at one time or another. Maybe it was just before a big test or when you were given something new to learn. Maybe it was when the teacher called on you to give a book report in front of the whole class. We have all felt the same way before and we are not the only ones. Would you be surprised to know that a mighty man of God, an old testament prophet, one from we are still learning from today felt the same way?

# Jeremiah 1:5-7 NKJV

# 5“Before I formed you in the womb I knew you; Before you were born I sanctified you; I ordained you a prophet to the nations.”6Then said I:“Ah, Lord God! Behold, I cannot speak, for I *am* a youth.” 7But the Lord said to me: “Do not say, ‘I *am* a youth,’ For you shall go to all to whom I send you, And whatever I command you, you shall speak. God told Jeremiah that before He formed him He knew him, did you know that the same is true of all of us? God had a special and unique plan for all of before we were even born.

Jacob was a good student. Oh, he wasn't the smartest kid in class, but he worked hard and made pretty good grades. His worst subject was arithmetic. Addition and subtraction didn't give him any trouble, but when it came to long division, he just didn't get it. One day as he sat struggling with his assignment, he finally threw down his pencil and cried out in frustration, "I just can't do it!" His teacher, Mrs. Davis, smiled at Jacob and said, "Can't never could do anything. Here, let me help you." Mrs. Davis went over to Jacob's desk and showed him step by step what he had to do to solve the problem. With his teacher's help, suddenly long division didn't seem so hard after all.

God knew about every detail of our lives before we were born. He has His plans for us, and they are all good! Nothing that happens to us in our life catches God by surprise. No matter comes in our life God has a perfect plan and every answer that we need.

Our Bible lesson today is about a man named Jeremiah. One day, God spoke to Jeremiah and said, "Before you were even born, I chose you to be my prophet to all the nations." Jeremiah answered, "I can't! I'm not a good speaker, and besides, I'm too young."

"Don't say 'I can't'" the LORD answered Jeremiah. "If I tell you to go and speak to someone, then go! And when I tell you what to say, don't leave out a word!" Then the LORD reached out his hand, and touched Jeremiah's mouth and said, "I am giving you the words to say, and I am sending you with authority to speak to the nations for me."

There will be times in your life when God will come to you, as he did to Jeremiah, and ask you to do something special for him. He may call you to be a preacher, a missionary, or a Sunday School teacher. Whatever it is that God calls you to do in this life, remember what he said to Jeremiah, "Don't say, 'I can't!'" If God calls you to do something, he will reach out his hand and touch your life to give you the ability to do it. The Bible say s in our memory verse that I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me, does that mean no matter what God asks me to do I can do it?

Heavenly Father, there may be some things in this life that seem impossible, but we know that if you ask us to do something, you will give us the ability to do it if we will just trust in you. Thank You for having good plans for us. Amen.

1. Does God have special and unique plans for all of us?
2. Does anything in our life catch God by surprise?
3. Can we do all the things that God asks us to do?