**The calling to His body**

**Introduction**

1. We have heard many times the expression “God is calling us” or “God called me”, so today we are going to talk about that because He does call us in many ways to be part of His people, His body.
2. Lest remember how God had called people,
3. He had called the **patriarchs** and through the patriarchs to the people.
4. In the times of **Moses** He had called the **people** through the decent of Aaron and through the **prophets** too until Jesus.
5. When **Jesus** came being God Himself called the people through a **simple call** as it happened with the **apostles,**
6. Jesus called too through His **teaching and serving** **being an example**, calling people to be like Him and
7. Finally how Jesus called **Paul** in the rout to Damascus **miraculously**.

All of these are examples to us, so we are **able to learn** how was the **relationship between God and people**, but too, the **reason of why He has called them.**

So there are many reasons about His calling but today we are going to focus in **the call to His body, in the local view**.

**Body**

1. What do we mean about “His body”? (Colossians 1:18 ((Men), church, body and head (Christ)) Looking this passage in an opposite direction, from men to Christ.
2. We as part of His **church** (*Ecclesia)*
3. When God refers to His **body**, refers to His church
4. Jesus is the **head**, so the head is the one that commands the body
5. How is a body “being together”?
6. The body is all **connected to the head**, but all the members **are all together in itself**, so what the Head commands the body does
7. (Ephesians 4:4-6 and 11-15) Body without head will be a death body.
8. (Ephesians 4:16) A body divided in itself, it is not the best, but it can work, not in it best and ideal way, but works if there are enough members between the body itself, and this incomplete body submitted to the head.
9. Each one of us is part of this body (1Corintians 12:14-28), doing different things that complete each use of the body, there cannot be just hands or feet, there are many things to do in the body of Christ, just have to look where your place is!

1. How I see where I belong in the work of His body? The calling of God!
2. As members of His body we have to know **what the Head commands** (Ephesians 5:29, 30), because He cherishes of us, so we can follow Him even if we don’t know rout. So, to know the Head’s commandments we have to look to He says (Bible).
3. Knowing what the Head want us to do, we will know how to exercise ourselves as members of the church (his body)

**Conclusion**

He is calling us today to work In the Knowledge of Christ and His kingdom, the Forlogan Church is doing a really good work, working in different classes through the teachers, taking care about all the elements of the building, having a team of elders and deacons to take care of the church, having people to work in the preaching outside, with the members of the church and looking for the lost souls too…

**Invitation**

So today we have to keep working because flesh is temporally…

Example of USA and Colombia…

And all the work of God needs time and preparation, so who is going to take place of the people that is working now, be a teacher need study and preparation, be an elder need a live work as the same as a preacher.

So if you see something that is missing but you see it that is God that is working through your understanding of His work to see that you can work in his body, and if we do not see something is missing, there is always work to do, so you must keep working, growing in His word, so we will be ready when the time comes