



Pastor's Comments

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Hear The Summons?

Back in the days of the telegraph, a young man applied for a job as a Morse Code operator at a busy office filled with noise and clatter, including the sound of the telegraph in the background.

A sign on the receptionist's counter instructed applicants to fill out a form and **wait until they were summoned to enter the inner office**. The young man filled out his form and sat down with the seven other applicants in the waiting area. After a few minutes, the young man stood up, crossed the room to the door of the inner office, and walked right in. The other applicants began muttering among themselves that **they hadn't heard any summons yet**. Within a few minutes, the employer escorted the young man out of the office and said to the other applicants, "Gentlemen, thank you very much for coming, **but the job has just been filled.**"

The other applicants began grumbling and one spoke up, "Wait a minute, he was the last to come in, and we never even got a chance to be interviewed—yet he got the job. That's not fair!" The employer said, "I'm sorry, but the last several minutes while you've been sitting here, the telegraph has been ticking out the following message in Morse Code: **'If you understand this message, then come right in. The job is yours.'** None of you heard it or understood it. This young man did. The job is his."

We are so busy living in a world that is full of noise and clatter. People are distracted and are not hearing the still, small voice of the Lord as He summons, **"Come unto me...and I will give you rest"** (Matthew 11:28). —Author Unknown, Adapted

Have you **heard and responded to** the Lord's summons? Are you **listening for the summons** "to meet the Lord in the air" when "the Lord himself shall descend from heaven **with a shout**" (1 Thessalonians 4:16-17)? See

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