

PENINSULA CHRISTIAN F E L L O W S H I P

In The Fullness of God's Time

Gandalf was actually quoting God

(Vision & goals?)

Galatians 4:4

He ALWAYS received it From the Father

"But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son"

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How should we Respond?

Do you think some had given up waiting?

John 1:11-13, 13:15-17 & 20:21

Three Things:

To start – we need to Be Sent!

- 1) Where did He send Him From?**
- 2) What did He send Him to Do?**
- 3) How should we Respond?**

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God has always sent His people

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Where did He send Him From?

Abraham, Joseph (didn't even ask him), **Moses** (bit of a detour), **David** (10 year delay), **Jonah** (with some difficulty), **Jesus** (through Egypt), **John the Baptist (1:6-8), Disciples, Paul** (career change), **Philip** (no promised outcome)...

To be sent, someone must leave one place, to go to another.

(not always geographic)

Do we see some consistency here?

John 1:1-4 & 14

He came FROM the perfection of eternal heaven!

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How do we start?

He and heaven ALWAYS Were. He IS uncreated...

- Being **willingly** sent (From – To)
(From individuality – To membership in Christ's Body)

And has always been I AM

- That is **WHAT He left**, to come to us.

- **Obey** His sending
(Obeying gives us confidence we're in **HIS** will)

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What did God send Him to Do?

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John 1:6 (insert your name) -8

John 1:18, 12:49-50 & 14:10

- If we've **received** Christ
- We **ARE** sent!

He didn't make His own plans or initiate

Acts 1:8 & Matthew 13:33

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From where/what? – **To** where/what/who?

Just as important to know who we're **NOT** sent to!!

Acts 16:6-7 (Like Jesus)

Servants **Don't** send themselves!!

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In the fullness of time, **God sent His Son...**

Who then sent us!!

If God didn't send you – **Who did?**

- And should you be there?

Being where **He sent us**, doing what **He gave us to do...**

Gives us rock-solid, unflinching confidence...

- No matter the timing, conditions or human affirmation.

We can look forward to **whatever He plans** to make of it...

And hear Him say, "**Well done good and faithful servant. Enter into the joy of your Lord.**"