

# Disqualified

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## Unfit

There are some things in our lives (our decisions, our wounds, our weaknesses) that we wish and pray were gone. God calls you and I in our weakness; He doesn't necessarily call us out of our weakness.

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## Discussion Questions

1. What is one thing that, if it was "done" or "over" or "taken away" would make everything else easier in your life?
  2. To be unqualified is to not have the requisite skills or talents to accomplish the task. To be disqualified is to be made unable or unfit for that certain task or that certain work. Has there been a moment in this past week where you've made a poor decision and thought, "I've done {this}, God wouldn't want to use me"? Please share.
  3. Saint Paul talks about how he was unfit to be an apostle, and that his decisions that he made disqualified him. But he writes, "But by the grace of God I am what I am, and His grace to me has not been ineffective." Do you find it difficult to trust that God can restore you after a poor decision you have made? Why is that?
  4. Saint Peter knew what it was like to be called, to fall, to be restored, only to fall again. What was Jesus' response to Peter's contrition? "Feed my sheep." When you read the Bible, do you receive the hope and assurance in reading about people like Peter and Paul? What about them gives you encouragement?
  5. God doesn't have to make you whole in order to make you holy. In the midst of your weakness, God can make you His saint. Whatever your answer may have been to question 2, what is one practical way this upcoming week that you can move on from that decision and try again? Please share with the group.
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## God in Real Life

God has blessed you with a call that qualifies you, His grace that redeems you and His presence that sanctifies you. Read the Psalm from today's Mass, Psalm 138, with a spirit of peace and thanksgiving for that gift.

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## To the Heart

"But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace to me has not been ineffective. Indeed, I have toiled harder than all of them; not I, however, but the grace of God that is with me." 1 Corinthians 15:10