Read 1 Peter 2:9.

Growing up I was never afraid to take on responsibility. Like most kids who are given responsibilities it showed me that someone else believed in me and saw my potential. But as I get older I find myself falling back from responsibility and not wanting to take on a challenge because I’ve seen my share of failures.

This year, God has granted me the opportunity to lead The Campbell University Gospel Choir. Although I was overjoyed at first to take on such a huge responsibility, I couldn’t help but to consider the chances of failing my choir, myself, and most importantly God. But 1 Peter 2:9 reminds me of who my Heavenly Father is and what he has called his people to be. We are a “chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s own people.” In order to fulfill this identity we are to “proclaim the mighty acts of him who called [us] out of darkness into his marvelous light.”

We have all been called to BE more and DO more by our Father and should strive to live up what he has called us to do. God wouldn’t have given us this responsibility if he didn’t believe in us and see our potential. So when you feel like any responsibility is too much to bear remember who your Father is and who you are called to be.

Life Questions: What responsibilities have you been running from because you are afraid of not being good enough? Have you asked God to guide you?

Prayer: Dear Lord, as a chosen generation, allow us to see that we are never given more than we can bear, and that when we walk with you we can carry the heaviest of loads. Help us believe in your word and carry ourselves as the royal priesthood you have called us to be. We can live up to our fullest potential and conquer all strife in our path because we serve a mighty God. Amen.

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