

A Purposeful Existence

Hi Storehouse Family!

Happy New Week, we are officially in the 20's of October and we can't believe how quickly this month has flown by!

Last Sunday we met for Heal our Land and discussed Purpose. It's apt that the topic of our discussions as a church family has transitioned from power to purpose! After all, the motive of the display of God's power is the fulfillment of His purpose!

The yearning for purpose and the knowledge of it as it applies in our lives is not independent of God's design for humanity. That knowledge and desire to fulfill a purpose is imbedded in man, but like with every desire of man, it can be subject to corruption if it's not submitted to God's design and way.



[Ecclesiastes 3:11 AMP](#)

“He has made everything beautiful and appropriate in its time. He has also planted eternity [a sense of divine purpose] in the human heart [a mysterious longing which nothing under the sun can satisfy, except God]—yet man cannot find out (comprehend, grasp) what God has done (His overall plan) from the beginning to the end.”

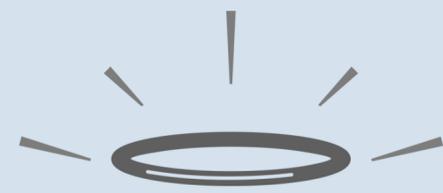
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When we look at [Ephesians 1:3-14](#), our purpose, our “why” is revealed - the praise of God’s glory through Christ! When we put our faith in the gospel of Jesus Christ, accepting Him as not only Savior, but also Lord, we are called according to God’s purpose - which is to be vessels of His glory upon the earth! You are Christ’s fragrance upon the earth.



[Habakkuk 2:14 NLT](#)

“For as the waters fill the sea, the earth will be filled with an awareness of the glory of the Lord.”



[2 Corinthians 2:14 NLT](#)

“But thank God! He has made us his captives and continues to lead us along in Christ’s triumphal procession. Now he uses us to spread the knowledge of Christ everywhere, like a sweet perfume.”

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Every time we say Yes to God, we are fulfilling purpose. Sometimes we seek to measure purpose on a scale that was manufactured by the patterns and culture of the world, but whether or not an object is fulfilling its purpose can only be judged by the person who created it. Only God knows His purposes for you, so only God, and not the world, should be given that position of affirming whether or not you're fulfilling your purpose.

When 'impact' becomes our litmus test of whether or not our lives are purposeful, it becomes difficult to discern what God's purposes for is at any given point in time. Impact is saying **Yes to God**.



Romans 12:1-2 AMP

“Therefore I urge you, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies [dedicating all of yourselves, set apart] as a living sacrifice, holy and well-pleasing to God, which is your rational (logical, intelligent) act of worship. And do not be conformed to this world [any longer with its superficial values and customs], but be transformed and progressively changed [as you mature spiritually] by the renewing of your mind [focusing on godly values and ethical attitudes], so that you may prove [for yourselves] what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect [in His plan and purpose for you].”

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God has called us through Christ, to a purposeful existence, and only through Him alone are we able to daily fulfill His purpose for our lives, for in Him and through Him we move and have our being. The gift of the Holy Spirit is the gift of God that keeps on giving! He wills and works in us to fulfill the Father's good pleasure and purpose! He cultivates the fruit of faithfulness in our lives, so we are able to remain abiding and see the purposes of God through till the end.

The revelation of God's purposes through our lives isn't always linear and straightforward, just look at Joseph, David, Job and the list goes on. We see in Jeremiah 29 the Lord declaring His purpose for good and peace to a people who were just about to go into exile. We see in the life of Joseph God intending for good what was meant for evil, to bring about His purpose of deliverance and preservation through Joseph's life.



James 5:11 NKJV

“Indeed we count them blessed who endure. You have heard of the perseverance of Job and seen the end intended by the Lord—that the Lord is very compassionate and merciful.”



Jeremiah 29:11 NKJV

“For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the Lord, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope.”

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Genesis 50:20 NKJV

“But as for you, you meant evil against me; but God meant it for good, in order to bring it about as it is this day, to save many people alive.”

God desires to continually fulfill His purpose through our lives, He has made us through Christ to be the light and salt of the earth. Our prayer for you this new week is that in all the ways God has called you to His purposes, He causes great grace to flow to you to remain faithful.



We pray that the Holy Spirit comforts and encourages you through the seasons God has you in, bringing you to a safe delivery and birth! You shall see the goodness of the Lord and you shall see His purpose prevail in and through your life!



John 11:40 NKJV

“Jesus said to her, “Did I not say to you that if you would believe you would see the glory of God?”



Psalms 27:13-14 NKJV

“I would have lost heart, unless I had believed That I would see the goodness of the Lord In the land of the living. Wait on the Lord; Be of good courage, And He shall strengthen your heart; Wait, I say, on the Lord!”

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