

DOES LIFE HAVE A PURPOSE?
Explore God – Part 1 of 7

LIFE’S 3 GREATEST QUESTIONS ABOUT PURPOSE

1. The question of EXISTENCE: Why am I ALIVE?

“Why was I born? Was it only to have trouble and sorrow, to end my life in disgrace?” Jer. 20:18 (TEV)

“The Lord has made everything for His own purpose.” Prov. 16:4a (GW)

“Long before He laid down earth’s foundations, He had us in mind, and settled on us as the focus of His love, to be made whole and holy by His love.” Eph. 1:4 (Msg)

KEY TRUTH #1: I was created to be LOVED by God.

2. The question of SIGNIFICANCE: Does my life MATTER?

“My work all seems so useless! I have spent my strength for nothing and for no purpose at all.” Isa. 49:4a (NLT)

“I am your Creator. You were in my care even before you were born.” Isa. 44:2 (CEV)

“You scheduled each day of my life before I began to breathe. Every day was recorded in your book!” Ps. 139:16 (LB)

“His plans endure forever; his purposes last eternally.” Ps. 33:11 (GN)

KEY TRUTH #2: I was made to last FOREVER.

“When this tent we live in—our body here on earth—is torn down, God will have a house in heaven for us to live in, a home he himself has made, which will last forever.” 2 Cor. 5:1 (TEV)

“Leave your impoverished confusion and live! Walk up the street to a life with meaning.” Prov. 9:6 (Msg)

3. The question of INTENTION: What is my PURPOSE?

“Why did you create us? For nothing?” Ps. 89:47 (NCV)

“In the beginning, God created...” Gen. 1:1 (NIV)

“Knowing God results in every other kind of understanding.” Pr. 9:10b (LB)

KEY TRUTH #3: I find my purpose by getting to KNOW God.

“For everything, absolutely everything, above and below, visible and invisible...everything got started in him and finds its purpose in him.” Col 1:16 (Msg)

“It’s in Christ that we find out who we are and what we are living for... part of the overall purpose he is working out in everything and everyone.” Eph. 1:11 (Msg)

BOTTOM LINE: Every person on Earth was created to know and love God PERSONALLY. Life is meaningless without God, but God gives everything MEANING.

“It makes no difference who you are or where you’re from—if you want God and are ready to do as he says, the door is open.” Acts 10:35 (Msg)