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***G R O W T H N O T E S***

***TODAY'S SCRIPTURE: Ephesians 1:11-14***

***SERMON TEACHING SERIES:  
“From Potential-2-Purpose” – Part 2***

***TODAY'S MESSAGE:***

***“How God Sees Me!”***

**11 In whom also we have obtained an inheritance,  
being predestinated according to the purpose of  
him who worketh all things after the counsel of  
his own will:**

**12 That we should be to the praise of his glory, who first trusted in Christ.**

**13 In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise,**

**14 Which is the earnest of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, unto the praise of his glory.**

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***The Message Bible Chapter 1:***

**11-12 It's in Christ that we find out who we are and what we are living for. Long before we first heard of Christ and got our hopes up, he had his eye on us, had designs on us for glorious living, part of the overall purpose he is working out in everything and everyone.**

**13-14 It's in Christ that you, once you heard the truth and believed it (this Message of your salvation), found yourselves home free—signed, sealed, and delivered by the Holy Spirit. This signet from God is the first installment on what's**

coming, a reminder that we'll get everything God has planned for us, a praising and glorious life.

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### **MESSAGE BACKGROUND**

*Like Paul, we should recognize our past failures, mistakes, or sins that would naturally disqualify us from God's favor. Hold onto a sober, humble view of yourself apart from Christ - but don't let shame stop you. Then, embrace your new identity by grace. Your value and identity come entirely from God's grace and not your own merit. You are not defined by your worst mistake or your greatest achievement, but by the fact that "by the grace of God I am what I am." Let that motivate you to work hard in serving God and others.*

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### **POTENTIAL – 2 – PURPOSE AFFIRMATION:**

*“I am what God says I am. I have what God says I have. I can do what God says I can do. God has POTENTIAL in my life & PURPOSE*

*on my life—AND—I'm Moving From  
Potential-2-Purpose!”*

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***STEPS TO GO FROM ‘POTENTIAL-2-  
PURPOSE’***

1. ***“Know What The Word of God says about your life and your path—then—MOVE out—by faith—into the PROMISES of God!”***

*In Joshua, Chapter 1, Verse 9, God told Joshua—*  
“Be strong—be of good courage—do not be afraid—for I Am with you wherever you go...”

- *And what gave Joshua the strength and the courage to go forward—was #1—believing that God was with him.*
- *#2—knowing that God was able.*

- *And #3—resting in the assurance that God had already given him the victory!*

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## 2. “MOVE with the PRIORITY of God!”

- *Know who you are—Who’s you are—Where you are—Where you’re going—AND—What you’re called to do & not called to do!*

*That’s why Paul could say in 2 Corinthians 4 and 8—“We do not look at what is seen—for what is seen is temporary—and what is unseen is eternal...”*

*“...Seek first the Kingdom of God—and His righteousness—His priorities—and here’s your shout—AND ALL THESE THINGS—LITERALLY EVERYTHING ELSE THAT YOU NEED—to go from POTENTIAL-2-PURPOSE—will be added to you!”*

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## ***CONCLUSION***

***God has made a move. The ball is in our court.  
It's past time for us to make moves to go from  
POTENTIAL-2-PURPOSE!***