



# Looking Beyond the Now: Preparing for Your Kingdom Purpose!!!

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Wednesday Bible Study  
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# PRAYER REQUEST UPDATE



# Tonight's Inspiration

1) John 12:25 - temporal vs. eternal LIFE!

2) Matthew 16:24-26

- Selfish vs. denial of 'self'
- Earthly vs. 'eternal'
- World vs. 'soul'

3) I Thessalonians 4:13 - 'grief' vs. 'hope'

Making THIS life make sense!

# NOT!



- Presentation on how to grow our church in numbers
- Career counseling advice
- A lesson on how to live your best life now
- Judgment on what you are NOT doing right!

***NOT A SERMON/LECTURE!***

# THIS IS!



- Preparation for what God ultimately has for YOU!
- An opportunity to discuss YOUR Kingdom Significance!
- Q/A about things that concern members of the body of Christ!

***INTERACTIVE DISCUSSION!***

# Scriptural Passage

*1 Corinthians 6:1-6*



Paul asks two (2) key questions:

Or do you not know that the **saints** will **judge** the world? (v.2)

Do you not know that we will **judge** the **angels**? (v.3)

Reserved  
for God's  
Service!

Those  
fighting  
God's plan!

# JUDGE?

Offer an  
opinion of  
right/wrong.

Preside or  
rule over with  
power &  
authority.

Pronounce  
judgment in  
the judicial  
sense.

Matthew 7:1?  
Luke 6:37?

Co-rulers with  
God. **Really?**

*Likely to  
occur at a later  
date...*

# SO WHAT?



- End times!
- Preparation for the Grand Stage!
- Kingdom purpose, Kingdom significance!
- Lower case 'p' vs. your capital 'P'



What is it that YOU are doing today to prepare you for what God has for YOU in the Kingdom?

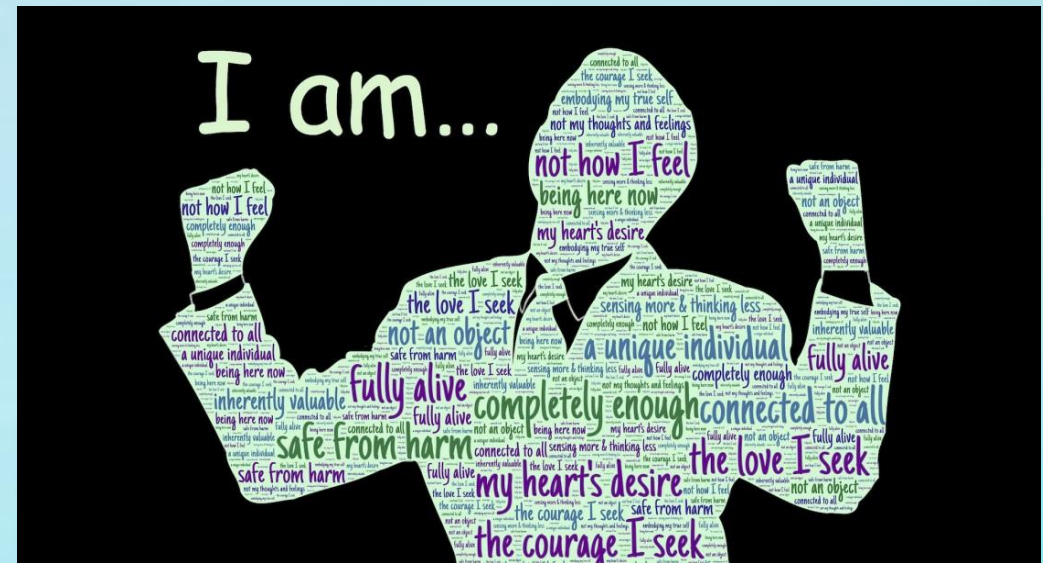
# Commissioned & Called to Serve

- ❑ From the Start - 'subdue & rule' (Gen. 1:28)
- ❑ Romans 12:1 - Present ourselves
  - An offering
  - Worship
- ❑ Rom. 12:6-8 - Serving
  - *Prophecy* - proclaiming God's word; teaching others
  - ***Serving*** - diakonia (origin, deacon) - practical helping
  - *Teaching* - observing, teaching, interpreting, calling to action
  - *Exhorting* - encouraging, counseling, consulting, offering expertise
  - *Giving* - sacrificial sharing with the church, others
  - *Leading* - directing others



# WHAT IS IT THAT MAKES YOU... YOU?

- History/context/family of origin
- Church service/ministry
- Professional role/work history
- Hobbies/interests
- Passions/mission/concerns
- What 'bothers' you?
- Skills/talents/abilities
- Spiritual giftedness



# Personal Evaluation

Is what I'm doing:

Christ-*centered*?

Christ-*focused*?

Christ-*honoring*?

