

“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.”

EPHESIANS 1:11-12 (The Message)

1. Everything changes on the day that you let _____ be the _____ of your story.

1 As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man who had been blind from birth. 2 “Rabbi,” his disciples asked him, “why was this man born blind? Was it because of his own sins or his parents’ sins?” 3 “It was not because of his sins or his parents’ sins,” Jesus answered. “This happened so the power of God could be seen in him. 4 We must quickly carry out the tasks assigned us by the one who sent us. The night is coming, and then no one can work. 5 But while I am here in the world, I am the light of the world.” 6 Then he spit on the ground, made mud with the saliva, and spread the mud over the blind man’s eyes. 7 He told him, “Go wash yourself in the pool of Siloam” (Siloam means “sent”). So the man went and washed and came back seeing! 8 His neighbors and others who knew him as a blind beggar asked each other, “Isn’t this the man who used to sit and beg?” 9 Some said he was, and others said, “No, he just looks like him!” But the beggar kept saying, “Yes, I am the same one!” **JOHN 9:1-9** (NLT)

2. _____ have a story to _____!

3. You can change the _____ of your story, even if it feels like you’re trapped in a chapter that has come to a _____.

4. God will use your _____ for His _____.

5. Your story will give people a reason to _____.

“All praise to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is our merciful Father and the source of all comfort. He comforts us in all our troubles so that we can comfort others. When they are troubled, we will be able to give them the same comfort God has given us.”

2 CORINTHIANS 1:3-4 (NLT)

**6. God doesn’t comfort us just to make us _____,
He comforts us in order to make us _____.**

7. _____ happens when you _____ your story.