



Purpose

January 16 & 17, 2021

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.

Ephesians 1:11-12 MSG

For everything, absolutely everything...got started in him and finds its purpose in him.

Colossians 1:16 MSG

# What's God's Purpose For My Life?

#### 1. God planned me for His pleasure

The LORD takes pleasure in his people.

Psalm 149:4a GNT

Long before he laid down earth's foundations, he had us in mind, had settled on us as the focus of his love.

**Ephesians 1:4 MSG** 

## 2. God formed me for His family

God decided in advance to adopt us into his own family by bringing us to himself through Jesus Christ. This is what he wanted to do, and it gave him great pleasure.

**Ephesians 1:5 NLT** 

God...has given us the privilege of being born again so that we are now members of God's own family...

1 Peter 1:3b TLB

#### 3. God created me to become like Jesus

From the very beginning God decided that those who came to him—and all along he knew who would—should become like his Son.

Romans 8:29a TLB

The Lord—who is the Spirit—makes us more and more like him as we are changed into his glorious image.

2 Corinthians 3:18b NLT

## 4. God shaped me to serve Him

God has made us what we are. In Christ Jesus, God made us to do good works, which God planned in advance for us to live our lives doing

**Ephesians 2:10 NCV** 

God has given each of you some special abilities; be sure to use them to help each other, passing on to others God's many kinds of blessings.

1 Peter 4:10 TLB

#### 5. God made me for a mission

(Jesus) "In the same way that you gave me a mission in the world, I give them a mission in the world."

John 17:18 MSG

The most important thing is that I complete my mission, the work that the Lord Jesus gave me—to tell people the Good News about God's grace.

Acts 20:24b NCV

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