

Purpose: Mission – October 1, 2017
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Ephesians 5:15-17, Be very careful, then, how you live—not as unwise but as wise, making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil. Therefore, do not be foolish, but understand what the Lord's will is.

1. Worship

We were created for God's pleasure.

2. Community

We were created to be a part of God's family.

3. Become Like Christ

We were created for discipleship, taking on the nature of Jesus.

4. Serving

We were created to serve God by serving others.

Purpose 5. Mission

We were created to share the Good News of the Gospel.

John 17:18, As you sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world.

• As a Jesus Follower we are a <u>SENT</u> people, made for mission.

Acts 1:8, But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in <u>Jerusalem</u> and in all <u>Judea and Samaria</u>, and to the end of the earth."

Jerusalem = <u>people closest to us</u>

Judea/Samaria = <u>people near but different</u>

Ends of the earth = everyone else

How to live on Mission:

I must share with those in my world.

2 Peter 3:9, 9 The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance.

Many times the hardest people to share the Gospel with are those we are <u>closest</u> <u>to</u>.

I must reach beyond my world.

I Corinthians 9:22, To the weak I became weak, that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, that by all means I might save some.

Paul is saying, Try to find common ground with others.

I must care about the whole world.

Mark 16:15, And he said to them, "Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation.

What we have learned from this series:

- 1. It's not about us, it's all about God.
- 2. Life is preparation for eternity.
- 3. We were put here on earth for a purpose.
- 4. It's vital that we pass this on to others.

Do you feel like you need purpose... THEN YOU NEED JESUS TODAY!