MY PLACE IN GOD'S STORY John 1:11-14 (NIV)

He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him. 12 Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God— 13 children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband's will, but born of God. 14 The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

John 1:11-14 (NIV)

1. Know that <u>GOD CREATED</u> you for a relationship with Him.

The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

John 1:14 (NIV)

In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets at many times and in various ways, ² but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, and through whom also he made the universe.

Hebrews 1:1-2 (NIV)

2. Recognize that we <u>SEPARATED OURSELVES</u> from God.

He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him.

John 1:11 (NIV)

"This is the verdict: Light has come into the world, but people loved darkness instead of light because their deeds were evil."

John 3:19 (NIV)

3. Enter a relationship with God through FAITH.

Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of $God-^{13}$ children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband's will, but born of God.

John 1:12-13 (NIV)

4. EXPERIENCE God's plan for you as you follow His leadership.

Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.

Romans 12:2 (NIV)