

Living Life on Purpose
What on Earth am I here for?
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Life's Three Greatest Questions

"Why was I born? Was it only to have trouble and sorrow, to end my life in disgrace?"
Jeremiah 20:18

1. Question of Existence: **Why am I here?**

"The Lord has made everything for his own purpose." Proverbs 16:4

"Long before he laid down earth's foundations, he had us in mind, and settled on us as the focus of his love, to be made whole and holy by his love." Ephesians 1:4

God says: I was created to be **loved by God**

2. Question of Significance: **Does my life matter?**

"My work all seems so useless! I have spent my strength for nothing and for no purpose at all."
Isaiah 49:4

- *Survival Level*
- *Success Level*
- *Significance Level*

"I am your Creator. You were in my care even before you were born." Isaiah 44:2

"You...scheduled each day of my life before I began to breathe. Every day was recorded in your book!" Psalm 139:16

"His plans endure forever; his purposes last eternally." Psalm 33:11

God says: I was made to **last forever**

"When this tent we live in—our body here on earth—is torn down, God will have a house in heaven for us to live in, a home he himself has made, which will last forever." 2 Corinthians 5:1

"Leave your impoverished confusion and live! Walk up the street to a life with meaning."
Proverbs 9:6

3. Question of Intention: **What is my purpose?**

“Why did you create us? For nothing?” Psalm 89:47

“Knowing God results in every other kind of understanding.” Proverbs 9:10

God says: I find my purpose in getting to **know God**

“For everything, absolutely everything, above and below, visible and invisible, everything got started in him and finds its purpose in him.” Colossians 1:16

“It's 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

“It makes no difference who you are or where you're from—if you want God and are ready to do as he says, the door is open.” Acts 10:35

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Scripture: *Jeremiah 20:18; Proverbs 16:4; Ephesians 1:4; Isaiah 49:4; Isaiah 44:2; Psalm 139:16; Psalm 33:11; 2 Corinthians 5:1; Proverbs 9:6; Psalm 89:47; Proverbs 9:10; Colossians 1:16; Ephesians 1:11; Acts 10:35*