

# **Fulfill Your Purpose**

October 25, 2020 Message Notes PHILIPPIANS 1:6; THESSALONIANS 5:23-24

You are made in God's image. That means you are created to become all God has in mind for you! God started a good work of new life in you and is committed to finishing the job well. He is faithful; he will do it! Do you want him to show up and do His amazing life changing work in your life?



# **NOTES**

You Can't Lose. Because of God's faithfulness, he has given us what it takes to be winners in life, whatever comes our way.

God has a purpose and a plan for your life. You are made in God's image.

Sin will try to mess you up. Sin will try to trip you up. Sin will try to make you fall.

"Anyone who belongs to Christ has become a new person. The old life is gone; a new life has begun!"

2 CORINTHIANS 5:17

Jesus brings new life inside and then starts redeeming, starts restoring, starts rebuilding our lives according to the Creator's original intention.

"...being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus."

PHILIPPIANS 1:6

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There's Still Hope. God's Not Finished With Me Yet.

"May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ."

1 THESSAI ONIANS 5:23

God's going to finish the deep work of redemption. He's going to change our lives from the inside out.

Sanctified means fully occupied by God's spirit.

#### How do we know the promises of God will be kept in our lives?

"The one who calls you is faithful, and he will do it." 1 THESSALONIANS 5:24

God is faithful. God is trustworthy and true. God is absolutely reliable. God is firm and unwavering. This is God's essence.



He has evil on a leash and, by his Holy Spirit within you, empowers you to overcome tempter and temptation.

He protects and provides for us so that we succeed even in suffering, even as Jesus did on the cross.

Christianity isn't about what you do for God. It's about what God does for you, what God does in you, and what God does through you because of his faithful power.

#### Because God is faithful, I can fulfill God's purpose and plan for my life.

The personal fulfillment movement is self-defeating and frustrating. The unspoken message is: you're not living up to your potential. That takes us into shame and guilt, not fulfillment.

It is impossible for you to experience all the world can give in your short life.

Stop comparing and stop competing and instead, obey God.

### Doing God's will develops your potential.

Instead of trying to do everything that life offers or to have everything that life can give, or to get as much as you can - do everything God has planned for you.

Don't aim too low. Don't settle for less than what God has for you. This life is not all there is. Don't confuse length of life with impact in life.

When you live pursuing God's purpose and plan, then God adds life to your years.

The devil is going to tell you that if you seek to do God's will, then God's going to put you in a straight jacket and take away all the things that cause you to have fun. That's a lie.

"Seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness and all these things will be added to you."

MATTHEW 6:33

God doesn't want to take away your joy. God says, "I want to put my joy in you." And then bring you into eternal quality of life.

"What shall it profit a man to gain the whole world and lose his own soul?" MARK 8:36



"Whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for me and the gospel will save it."

MARK 8:35

## The highest and best use of your time, of your life, is to give it to God.

"Only one life, 'twill soon be past. Only what's done for Christ will last."

"The world and its desires pass away, but whoever does the will of God lives forever." 1 JOHN 2:17

God designed you in his image, and then came in Jesus Christ to offer himself as a sacrifice for you. He promises he will do what it takes to fulfill his purpose and his plan in your life.

You have infinite worth and life-potentials that aren't meant only for this world, but are created for the next.

This is a tag that God puts on all his redeemed, restored, beloved people – you are loved. Get to know your Maker and what he has in mind for you.

"The two most important days in your life are the day you were born and the day you find out why." – Mark Twain

# Why has God given you life?

Because God has a purpose and plan for your life.

"The one who calls you is faithful, and he will do it." 1 THESSALONIANS 5:24

#### How can you find and fulfill God's will in your life?

## Four Prayers to work into your daily life:

- **1. Present your body to God** "Lord, everything I know about me I'm giving to everything I know about you. Have me, Lord, I'm yours."
- 2. Make Him your King "Lord, I make you my King. Jesus, take the wheel. I'll move over and you take over. Show me what this baby can do!"
- **3. Accept God's will before you know what it is** "Lord, I choose your will before you even let me know what it is. I believe your way is best and I receive it."



**4. Follow the light you have** – "Where you lead me, I will follow" and then do it. God will give you more light as you follow the light you have.

Take these steps of faith. Don't be surprised to realize, "I didn't find God's will. God's will found me and I'm in it right now."

This is how it happens: step-by-step, day by day, prayer by prayer, following Jesus. Experiencing all that he has for you as his image-bearer. Being redeemed, restored, and then unleashed in your fullest potential.

