

BIBLE PLAN

MID-YEAR RESET

DAY EIGHT: REDISCOVER YOUR PURPOSE

"For we are God's masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things he planned for us long ago." **Ephesians 2:10 NLT**

Paul was writing to the church of Ephesus after being imprisoned by the Romans. He is writing to a group of people who were not Jewish but were Gentiles and had come to know Christ through Paul's sharing of the gospel. The entire letter is written to once again share the gospel message of grace and God's kindness.

This particular verse shows us that we were not a mistake or a thoughtless creation but that God created us carefully, on purpose, and for a purpose. This is true not only of our physical creation but also of our new life in Christ. Once we are justified through Jesus, our old life is dead, our new life begins, and we can move toward the life and calling God has already planned for us.

So what does this mean for you? How does this change the way you live your life? **You are not bound to the sin that you once lived. You are washed by the blood and you are new in Christ Jesus.**

Ask yourself today if there is anything you are holding on to from the past, anything you need to surrender, and anything you need to begin. What is an area of your life that you need to fully trust God with?

You can walk with your head held high, knowing that you were created by God on purpose and with a purpose. You were chosen by God, and because, you walk with Him, you are no longer a slave to your sin but you are now an overcomer with Christ.

REFLECT:

- Remind yourself - What has Jesus freed you from?
- Encourage yourself - If He has already done it, why wouldn't He do it again?
- Challenge yourself - What am I holding on to that I need to fully surrender?
- Step into your purpose - How can I use my story to give God glory?

PRAY:

- Thank God for what He has done in your life.
- Ask Him to search your heart and reveal any areas that are not of Him.
- Repent of any areas of your life that you have held on to.
- Receive His grace, mercy, and love.
- Ask God for the ability to walk in freedom.