

### **Rooted on Purpose**

Dr. Jeremy McGarity Palm Sunday

"The most important thing in my life is that <u>I complete my mission</u>, the work that the Lord Jesus gave me -- to tell people the Good News about God's grace."

ACTS 20:24 (NCV)

God created each of us to have

... a MINISTRY in our church family, and

... a LIFE MISSION in the world.

### WHAT IS MY PURPOSE AS A CHRISTIAN ON EARTH?

"Jesus said, `... you will be my <u>witnesses</u>... to the ends of the earth."

ACTS 1:8 (NIV)

### "Witness" - Sharing what God has done in M Y life.

"Through Christ, all the kindness of God has been poured out upon us... and now he is sending us out around the world to tell all people everywhere the great things God has done for them, so that they, too, will believe and obey him."

ROMANS 1:5 (LB)

### 2 WHY IS MY PURPOSE SO IMPORTANT?

### \* I've been given a LIFE SAVING message!

"I am proud of the Good News, because it is the power God uses to save everyone who believes."

ROMANS 1:16 (NCV)

"This Good News tells us that God makes us <u>ready for</u> <u>heaven</u> -- makes us right in God's sight -- when we put our faith and trust in Christ to save us."

**ROMANS 1:17 (LB)** 

### \* Because people are DESPERATE to hear it!

"When Jesus saw the crowds, he felt compassion for them because they were hurting and helpless ... He said `There are many people to harvest but only a few workers to help harvest them."

MATTHEW 9:37 (NCV)

#### \*Who do I share the Good News with?

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### 3 HOW CAN I FULFILL MY PURPOSE AT WORK?

### 1. By doing TOPQUALITY work.

"Whatever you do or say, let it be as a representative of the Lord Jesus..."

COLOSSIANS 3:17 (LB)

### 2. By having a POSITIVE ATTITUDE.

"Do all that has to be done <u>without complaining or arguing</u>... and you will shine in the world like bright stars as you offer it the Word of Life."

PHILIPPIANS 2:14-15 (JB)

\*You need to be good news before you can share the good news.

# 3. By NVITING OTHERS to hear the Good News.

"<u>Make the most</u> of your chances <u>to tell</u> others the Good News. <u>Be wise in all your contacts with them</u>. Let your conversation be gracious as well as sensible..."

COLOSSIANS 4:5-6 (LB)

"The same Good News that came to you is going out all over the world and changing lives everywhere, just as it changed yours when you heard it and understood about God's great kindness..."

COLOSSIANS 1:6 (LB)

Jesus: "Anyone who is ashamed of me and my message in these days... I will be ashamed of him when I return in the glory of my Father..."

MARK 8:38 (LB)

\*Remember, a simple INVITE CAN CHANGE A LIFE!



### **SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS**

- 1 Share one thing that stood out to you in this week's sermon and why.
- 2 Pastor Jeremy talked about the importance of our individual purpose. Do you know what your purpose is right now?
- 3 Have you ever shared the gospel with someone? If so, share about that time. If not, what makes sharing the gospel challenging to you?
- 4 How can we be praying for you this week?



## **Upcoming Events**

- 4.10 | Classic Praise
- 4.15 | Good Friday Service
- 4.17 | Easter Services & Baptisms
- 4.23 | All Church Serve Day