

THE CHOSEN
You Are Made New
Luke 12:49-53
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What is the purpose of life?

The atheist Bertrand Russell said “Unless you assume a God, the question of life’s purpose is meaningless.”

God chose prophets like Isaiah and Jeremiah to whom He gave visions and to whom He spoke directly to and told them to write the words down and tell the people who had stopped believing.

When that did not work to God’s satisfaction He decided to tell them face to face.

We look at this Son and see the God who cannot be seen. We look at this Son and see God’s original purpose in everything created. For everything, absolutely everything, above and below, visible and invisible,...everything got started in Him and finds its purpose in Him.

Colossians 1:15-16 MSG

In Jesus’ day you did not approach a person with leprosy. If you wanted to stay clean, you stayed away. That was the truth...or was it?

Clip #1: Jesus heals the Leper.

If Jesus is the truth what impact will the truth have on the world?

“I’ve come to start a fire on this earth—how I wish it were blazing right now! I’ve come to change everything, turn everything right-side up—how I long for it to be finished! Do you think I came to smooth things over and make everything nice? Not so. I’ve come to disrupt and confront!”

Luke 12:49-51 MSG

With each miracle Jesus performs He is giving them the truth of who He is and it is causing division because some do not believe the answer is Jesus.

Clip #2: the paralytic is let down through the roof.

No one before Jesus taught with such authority unless they were a prophet speaking for God.

The Pharisees demanded Jesus reveal His authority.

Clip #3: Jesus heals the paralytic, the Pharisees call the Romans.

Did Jesus heal the man lame from birth or not?

26 Everyone was amazed and gave praise to God. They were filled with awe and said, “We have seen remarkable things today.” Luke 5:26 NIV

Did that awe transfer into belief in Jesus?

Therefore if anyone is in Christ, this person is a new creation; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come... 20 Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were making an appeal through us; we beg you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. 2 Corinthians 5:17, 20 NAS

With Jesus we have been given the opportunity to tell others about Him.