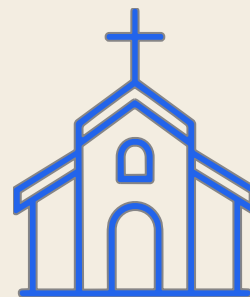


AUGUST SERMON SERIES
PART IV: PURPOSE

RECONSTRUCTION



"The two most important days are the day you're born and the day you find out why."

—Mark Twain

"The two most important days are the day you're born and the day you decide why."

—Seth Godin

“If I have excluded God the Father, there must be somebody to invent values... there is no sense in life a priori...it is yours to make sense of, and the value of it is nothing else but the sense that you choose.”

—Jean-Paul Sartre, *Existentialism Is a Humanism*

WORLDVIEW QUESTIONS

1. **Truth**—How do I know what's real?
2. **Identity**—Who am I ?
3. **Morality**—How should I live?
4. **Purpose**—Why am I here?

**Truth doesn't start with me—it
starts with Jesus.**



Identity is not something
achieved or discovered—it's
received through Jesus and forms
us to become like Christ.



**I don't get to define what is good—we
receive wisdom from the God who does.**

RECONSTRUCTION

**Truth grounds identity.
Identity shapes morality.
Morality directs purpose.**

**Purpose is not constructed by me—it's
found in looking to our creator.**

RECONSTRUCTION

Genesis 1:1

In the beginning God...

Genesis 1:26

26 Then God said, “Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.”

Genesis 1:27-28

27 So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them. 28 And God blessed them. And God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it, and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth.”

Revelation 22:1-2

Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb 2 through the middle of the street of the city; also, on either side of the river, the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, yielding its fruit each month. The leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

Revelation 22:3-5

3 No longer will there be anything accursed, but the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him. 4 They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. 5 And night will be no more. They will need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

“...the growing good of the world is partly dependent on unhistoric acts; and that things are not so ill with you and me as they might have been, is half owing to the number who lived faithfully a hidden life, and rest in unvisited tombs.”

—George Elliot, *Middlemarch*

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