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So God created man in his *own* image, in the image of God created he him;
male and female created he them. Genesis 1:27

And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to
them who are the called according to *his* purpose. Romans 8:28

To every *thing there is* a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven:

Ecclesiastes 3:1

In whom also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according
to the purpose of him who worketh all things after the counsel of his own will:

Ephesians 1:11

Who hath saved us, and called *us* with an holy calling, not according to our
works, but according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in
Christ Jesus before the world began, 2 Timothy 1:9

For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of
peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end. Jeremiah 29:11

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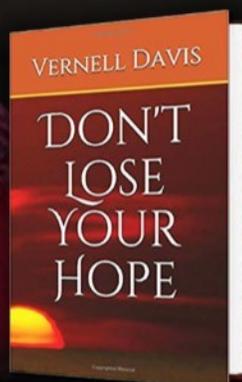




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Purpose

Getting to the place God has created for us

By Eunice A. Christian
January 6, 2020

Psalms 23:1-3~¹The Lord is my Shepherd; I shall not want. ²He makes me to lie down in green pastures; He leads me beside the still waters. ³He restores my soul; He leads me in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake.

Psalms 23:4-6~⁴Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; for You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me. ⁵You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; You anoint my head with oil; my cup runs over. ⁶Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life; and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

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- Opening Scriptures
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- Stay Encouraged

INTRODUCTION

This article is focused upon the theme: *Purpose: Getting to the place God has created for us.* As I started to write, Psalms 23 came to the forefront of my mind; in particular, these words: *...and I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.* (Psalms 23:6^b). This is what I believe is God's purpose for me; to be with Him in Paradise. *Is this what you also believe is God's purpose for you? If so, how do you—how do we get there?*

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God's Creation

What place has God created for us? As a believer in Christ Jesus, we believe God and the heavenly host made the heavens, the earth, and fullness thereof:

Genesis 1:1-2 ~ ¹In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. ²The earth was without form, and void; and darkness was on the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.

Genesis 1:26-31 ~ ²⁶Then God said, *Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.* ²⁷So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them. ²⁸Then God blessed them, and God said to them, *Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth.* ²⁹And God said, *See, I have given you every herb that yields seed which is on the face of all the earth, and every tree whose fruit yields seed; to you it shall be for food.* ³⁰Also, to every beast of the earth, to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, in which there is life, I have given every green herb for food; and it was so. ³¹Then God saw everything that He had made, and indeed it was very good. So the evening and the morning were the sixth day.

Know the Way To Go

In addition to all that The Creator and the heavenly hosts have done (Genesis Chapter 1), in the New Testament, Jesus gave His disciples and His remnants this blessed assurance that they (we) will not be forsaken; that there is a better place to look forward to:

John 14:1-4 ~ ¹ *Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me.* ² *In My Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.* ³ *And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also.* ⁴ *And where I go you know, and the way you know.*

So, even after The Most High and the heavenly hosts created the earth and its fullness, God has a divine plan and purpose for us to be blessed with far more than what we can experience here on earth. He desires for us to be with Him—to *dwell with Him*. However, the place that God has for us does not come without instructions. *We must first believe.*

In order for we Believers to get to the place where God wants, we have to continue to align ourselves with the teachings of the Holy Bible. We have to continuously apply The Living Word, the ultimate application, to our lives. Jesus, The Christ, made this plain. As the scriptures reveal, we must believe in God, The Father, and that means to also believe in His Son, Jesus, The Lamb of God.

The holy scriptures teaches us that before Jesus was crucified, He informed His disciples of the path to righteousness that will bring them to the place where God wanted them (and us) to be:

John 14:5-6 ~ ⁵ Thomas [one of Jesus' disciples] said to Him, *Lord, we do not know where You are going, and how can we know the way?* ⁶ Jesus said to him, ***I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.***

Jesus informed His disciples about what the Will of His Father is for those who believe in Him. Where He was going (John 14); that is where our Lord wants to take us—a place with many mansions; also a place He wants to prepare for us. *Is that what you believe. Do you want to go?* If your answer is *Yes*, then follow Jesus while the blood is still running warm in your veins. No matter your circumstances, no matter how things look that may be bleak, do not ever let go of, and do not give up on, Jesus' blessed assurance for us to be with Him. There is no greater blessing that could be given to you (to us!) than to be with The Most High God, His beloved Son, Jesus, and The Holy Spirit.

Our Place Is In Paradise

Remember the criminals who hung on the cross at Calvary with Jesus? How Jesus was mocked by one, but was respected by the other?

Luke 23:32-43 ~ ³² There were also two others, criminals, led with Him to be put to death. ³³ And when they had come to the place called Calvary, there they crucified Him, and the criminals, one on the right hand and the other on the left. ³⁴ Then Jesus said, ***Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they do.*** And they divided His garments and cast lots. ³⁵ And the people stood looking on. But even the rulers with them sneered, saying, *He saved others; let Him save Himself if He is the Christ, the chosen of God.* ³⁶ The soldiers also mocked Him, coming and offering Him sour wine, ³⁷ and saying, *If You are the King of the Jews, save Yourself.* ³⁸ And an inscription also was written over Him in letters of Greek, Latin, and Hebrew:

THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS.

³⁹ Then one of the criminals who were hanged blasphemed Him, saying, *If You are the Christ, save Yourself and us.* ⁴⁰ But the other, answering, rebuked him, saying, *Do you not even fear God, seeing you are under the same condemnation?* ⁴¹ *And we indeed justly, for we receive the due reward of our deeds; but this Man has done nothing wrong.* ⁴² Then he said to Jesus, *Lord, remember me when You come into Your kingdom.* ⁴³ And Jesus said to him, ***Assuredly, I say to you, today you will be with Me in Paradise.***

...today, you will be with Me in Paradise. Isn't that an amazing demonstration of compassion,

grace, and mercy engulfed in an abundance of favor? If Jesus was willing to grant a criminal, who was on the cross, a place in Paradise—a sinner who acknowledged that he was being justly punished by crucifixion—what can separate us from the love of Christ Jesus if we remain faithful to Him?

Psalms 23

You may have noticed that my opening scriptures of Psalms 23 had been separated into two paragraphs. As the holy scriptures indicate, David, the son of Jesse (1 Samuel 17:58), by the anointing of God, became King of Israel (1 Samuel 16:13). To share a bit about David, he had written some of the most beautiful, and at times, heart wrenching passages of the Holy Bible. What I would like to focus upon; however, is why I separated the Psalms 23 into two paragraphs.

The first paragraph depicts in a spiritual manner what the Lord does for His sheep (Believers), in preparing us for the path of righteousness—in order to bring us to the place where He wants us to be. We have to be purged of cumbersome and burdening worldly influences. We should and must fast for spiritual growth. It is imperative that we drink of the Living Water that quenches the soul; we must read the Word of God. The second paragraph, while still touching on the first, reveals how David was so inspired by the Holy Spirit that he correlated his relationship with God to that of the perspective of what a wholesome relationship between a shepherd and his sheep is like. David humbled himself by placing himself as a sheep under the direction of a shepherd. That is the way to go. David understood his purpose and direction in God.

At the end of Psalms 23, David revealed that the good shepherd leads his sheep to a permanent place where they will be safe and secure. David was not a hireling, or someone who only cared for sheep for self-centered reasons. Certainly, a good shepherd knows how to guide sheep to green or fruitful pastures so that they may dwell in a good place. With this in mind, we should not doubt that Jesus, The Good Shepherd, has a better place for us than earth as we now know it. Especially, and in light of the way living has changed over the centuries—since the foundation of the world—and what we face in our current events. Not to forget or ignore that the prophesies of old are coming to pass; thereby strengthening the testament of the Living Word.

It is my hope to stay encouraged and to not let fear take over. It is my hope that we Believers are not blinded to the truth and purpose of the gospel which gives us hope for an expected end in eternal life. *How do we know the way to go?* Our road map—the gospel—which is significant in directing us on our way to eternal life; as we are so led by the Holy Spirit. *What is this place?* The mansion that Jesus spoke of, as depicted by His Word; the place He said He will prepare for us (John 14). *How do we know we are going the right way?* By remaining faithful to Him as we are led by the Holy Spirit; knowing there is no other way that we may be saved. *What is our purpose?* (1) To believe in The Son of God and His teachings; (2) worship and praise the blessed Trinity (Father, Son, and Holy Spirit); and (3) spread the gospel throughout the world.

As Believers blessed with spiritual gifts, our paths should align with the Word of God; ultimately leading us to dwell with The Lord and our God in heavenly places. Our purpose is to get to the place God has created for us—and to help others get to that place as well. We can get there by being effectively positioned and equipped with the Word of God, empowered by His Holy Spirit.

Stay Encouraged

We cannot truly fathom how great our Lord and God is, but what we can identify with is our Lord and our God's mercies towards us. Knowing that there are recorded accounts of how Jesus walked this earth—and knowing how He lived and died for us—should cause us to serve Him with an abundance of gratitude and humility. We know that we could never repay Him for what He has

done, and continues to do for us, by the power of the Holy Spirit—we know this—but the way we can honor Him is to love and obey Him.

We should, therefore, be willing to spread the gospel so that the Holy Word may be received by all who will believe—and for those who truly believe, may we rejoice together, and be continually encouraged in knowing that we have a glorious expected end in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 2:14-16 ¹⁴Do all things without complaining and disputing, ¹⁵that you may become blameless and harmless, children of God without fault in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world, ¹⁶holding fast the word of life, so that I may rejoice in the day of Christ that I have not run in vain or labored in vain.

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When we get to the place of being honest with ourselves and stop point fingers at others this creates opportunities that can be endless. When we stand before God we stand alone. Identify your gifts recognize your passions because we were all created for a purpose we are not here by chance. "I know the thoughts that I think towards you saith the Lord, thoughts of peace and not of evil to give you an expected end." Jeremiah 29:11. Don't hold yourself back, live up to your potential, make challenges your opportunity for change and use them as a stepping stone to elevate to your true purpose there is greatness in each of us but we have to realize it first.

We have 365 chances this year to discover all of the things that we may have neglected to see within ourselves. We have to forge ahead when we are certain that opportunity is standing in from bidding us to take that leap of faith and not succumb to our own fears. Especially when we know it is something that we are passionate about. The Bible instructs us that our gifts will make room for us. It when we choose to shy away or ignore that obvious call, we rob ourselves or delay ourselves to our intended destiny. The Word of God says to trust in the Lord with all our hearts and lean not to our on understand, so when doubt and fear show their ugly heads. In all our ways acknowledge Him and He shall direct thy path.

This is a promise for those who choose to believe God is the Great I am the creator, I am that I am. Let us stand firm on that understanding because when we do things will definitely change in your favor. 2019 I learned the true meaning of trust in the Lord. He meant all of my needs. What I normally relied upon in years past and put my trust in was not available in any capacity. When the government shut down at the beginning of 2019 a contract that I was to be on was canceled and because of the loss of time, it was never reinstated. All other opportunities that would have normally been available were canceled because of uncertainty

I had to trust solely on God to make a way where I couldn't truly see one. My mentality was what if I could just do this or that. But God wanted me to know without a shadow of a doubt he definitely had me. We lost our vehicle due to an accident not with another person but a deer and no one got hurt. The experience with that was we had a minor fender bender a week prior. But

He wanted my family to truly understand his voice when he is speaking to us because we all felt that we shouldn't be making the trip that we did when it occurred. We felt the leading to delay but looked passed that which we were discerning.

After everything had transpired it caused us to get to a place of stillness. It was during that time where He ministered to us individually and then the doors of opportunity open up to us in so many ways. He allowed us to look deeper within ourselves and recognize the things that he had placed within us they may have been overlooked. Once revealed and understood the challenges now became stepping stones into a Godly elevation which also affected our natural man because the favor of God was truly present and recognizable by all of us.

I encourage you to embrace any form of transformation that the Lord desires to bestow upon you, for it will take you beyond anything you could ever imagine. Gravitate to the available knowledge He has for you because it will give you the wisdom you need and even more importantly the understanding. In all thy getting get an understanding it will make your faith and witness stronger.



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“You Were Created on Purpose; Getting to The Place That God Has Created For Us”

By Elder Diane Harvell
January 9, 2020

How many times have we heard or quoted, “If I knew then what I know now...”

The reality of that statement is that it’s rare that one can have youth and wisdom at the same time. It took me a loooooong time to not only find my purpose, but also to understand it, and use it for the Glory of God. Some of us had to go to the school of “hard knocks” and the college of bad bruises before we learned and understood about life, naturally and spiritually. I am not ashamed to say that I am still learning, and I am still a student.

During some of my learning experiences, my vision of my spiritual purpose was unknown and unclear. I had to grow into what God says I am and who He says I am. But how do you grow and get to your purpose? By getting the most knowledge that you can from the most difficult trials that life has brought you.

I think a lot about purpose because in my opinion, it holds the value and reason of why you are alive. God has uniquely designed all of us with some gift or quality that is unlike anyone else’s! This is amazing to me! A person’s purpose can be seen clearly when it is being utilized at its best. Your purpose will declare God’s existence in you and on the earth!

I no longer dismiss a person’s gift or devalue it because they are “not saved,” or “in the church.” Some of God’s greatest gifts He has given to some people we would consider, “unholy.” Yet we do not denounce specific persons or “churches, when they boldly portray a “get rich” or send money now and get healed later scheme while using our Lord’s name for vainglory! This is hypocrisy and confusing to the unbeliever and it is then easy for them to say, “they’re all alike, that’s why I don’t go to church!” I believe at some point in our lives, we’ve all heard someone make this statement for some reason or another. And today, while the church seems to place value on only one gift, which is preaching, we are neglecting other gifts that should or could be utilized within it. It seems nothing satisfies our appetite in our church services more until we’ve heard the word of God preached in a certain way. The church focus may be on preaching but the gifts and purpose within the body of Christ lies dormant.

I really had a hard time with this because while I believe every one has a purpose, I also believe every purpose should be cultivated. For many years, this was not my experience. It wasn’t until I accepted things I could not change and sought God for His direction about them and then, “old things are passed away; behold all things become new.”! Thank you Jesus! **(2 Corinthians 5:17).**

In the bible, in the book of James, James taught that faith is comprehensive, complete, including all aspects of God yet, it should impact every area of our lives and affect other people positively, not only by the auspices of preaching, but also by loving one another.

James 4:3 says, “Ye ask and receive not, because ye ask amiss, that ye may consume it upon your lusts.”

Now this scripture is not just speaking on sexual desires but of eager desires of world riches and of worldly greatness that cannot bring contentment or satisfaction to the soul. James had to redirect the Christians carnal mindedness and remind them that to pray for worldly riches would only bring them unanswered prayers by God because they were praying “**Amiss.**” *It is important that we seek God’s face, His direction concerning who we are to Him not just “in Him, but “to Him” and ask Him what He wants us to do with our lives. Ask Him what He has said about you and what He expects of you.*

This will avoid praying “**amiss,**” *praying for carnal gain or for things that are not in God’s will for your life at that time or perhaps at all.*

James was teaching them that we are not all conglomerated into one body for the purpose of proving that each individual denomination is better than the other nor are we an outward show of carnal or personal gain. God is not a personal “genie.” But James taught that we all have an individual purpose from our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, to bring glory to His name and to bring about a universal change to as many people as possible with our gifts and with the love of God in our hearts! **Proverbs 18:16-A man's gift maketh room for him, and bringeth him before great men.** This is who God says we are!

Psalm 139:14-”I will praise thee; for I am fearfully and wonderfully made: marvelous are thy works; and that my soul knoweth right well.”

At this time in my life, I am learning to value my gifts, and others and I thank God that I still have aspirations to become a better person in Him each day!

So, get to the place that God has created for you, you can do it, you can make it, because you were created by God on purpose!

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FULFILLING GOD'S WILL IS THE REASON WHY WE ARE HERE

Evang. Ella J. Alexander

Ephesians 1:4-6

⁴ *According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love:*

⁵ *Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will,*

⁶ *To the praise of the glory of his grace, wherein he hath made us accepted in the beloved.*

What is the meaning of purpose? It is the reason why something is done or use; the aim or goal of a person: what a person is trying to do, become, etc. The reason is a fact, condition, or situation that makes it proper or appropriate.

We have listened to people state that they know the will of God. Well, when we think of why we are here or what our purpose is on the earth it should bring us back to the Will of God. It was not the fact or crazy reason that God was just so bored in heaven that He decided to create man in his image and after His likeness. That very verse (Gen. 1:26) has a strong impact if one was to take time to think of it.

We now have to look at Ephesians 1:4 that reminds us that God has chosen us before the foundation of the world. God wants to see himself. He knows who He is and how he looks and act but He wanted a reflection of himself walking upon the earth in flesh. If God walked in the flesh upon the earth and was able to transfer that same mindset and character from one heart to the next, the entire earth would be covered with not just the love of God but with the character of God.

His will is for us to be holy and without blame before Him in love. So the question is, how do we become holy and without blame?

The first way we become holy is to surrender our will and accept what He has planned for us. We have to not only surrender but be willing and obedient to the Father (Isaiah 1:19). Yes, we may have questions for him regarding how we show forth his holiness and it is good that we turn to him with our questions. But if we do what He tells us to do and how he tells us that is part of the beginning process.

The second way we become holy and blameless in love is that we love the Lord with all our heart, soul, and might (Deut. 6:5). When we learn to love God a change will take place within us. We become stronger at doing what is right in the eyes of God. We won't be selfish. We will be able to love others whom we see on a constant basis.

The third way is by feeding his sheep, visiting the sick, clothing those who are naked (John 21:16; Matt. 25:34-40). We can't say we love God if we won't care for the people who are in need.

Everyone has a purpose in the earth and often times many don't recognize it because of what they have been through or are going through. They may miss it because someone was used by the enemy to blind them to the truth. Whatever the reason is it does not take away the fact that we are here because God wanted us in the earth to be helpers one to another and to demonstrate His love and power in the earth.

God wanted us before creation. He wanted us after creation and he created us to seal off creation. He didn't only create us but he gave us dominion to help us understand how important we are in the earth. Even after we fell from his presence He still loved us by providing a way to bring us back to him. If we understand this part of His will then we will do unto others what God has done unto us. With loving-kindness have He drawn us and with loving-kindness shall we win others to God (Jeremiah 31:3, Psalm 107:43).

It is not an accident that we are here, neither is it a mistake. None of us is a mistake but part of the Will of God. He wanted us here and no one can deny that. Just know that you are not here for no reason but your existence is because of God for His good and perfect will. We all have a role to play. Someone has to minister and care for the homeless, while others care for the children and some fight for others who can't fight for themselves. The intercessors are interceding on behalf of many. The teachers are teaching the unlearned, while many are upholding righteousness.

So once again we all are important. The quicker we understand this the better things will be for us. It's time to accept the Will of God in our life.



Spring forth in Christ
Stand in your Purpose!

For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end. *Jeremiah 29:11*

Soaring to Your Purpose

Mins. Donna Richardson Jones

12 Kings Elisha's Focus!!!!

In this chapter Elisha is so determined not to miss God that he said to the prophets "keep silent." Elisha didn't want any distractions whether they were intended to be good or if they were meant for evil. He just wanted to concentrate on the God-Given Destiny!!!! He left his family and his fieldwork to follow The God-Centered Work of Prophet Elijah. Even when the prophet said stay here remain here he was like as surely as the Lord lives and your soul lives I will not leave you. He knew where the Blessing of the Mantle was and he was not budging. So I say let us find that purpose in God put our hands to the plow and don't look back. Yes, it's good that we have accepted Christ and followed Him but now isn't the time to get stuck. Rise up, get out of the ditch and keep going. Don't allow anyone to get your attention.

Reread 1st King 13.

The old prophet was able to distract and misguided the young prophet and caused him to miss out. Sometimes even in good intentions but surely in bad church folks can mess with your GPS. Stay alert, Watch, Pray, and Hear God for yourself. **We must.** It's vital to get to the designated level. If you're on the 5th floor trying to get to the 10th then the down button is not for you. When someone says to you well this is how I do it, tell them thanks but you're more interested in the way God has for you. Be ready to go against the grain. You could sense such hesitation even in Pilate because he knew Jesus Our Lord was innocent but to please the crowd he failed the test. We must cry out LORD YOUR WILL BE DONE NOT MINE NOT THE WORLD NOT EVEN THE CHURCH BUT YOUR WILL LORD! MAMA AND DADDY DID IT THE OTHER WAY BUT LORD WHAT WAY IS FOR ME? WHEN THE DISCIPLES DID IT YOUR WAY IT COST THEM EVERYTHING, BUT THEY KNEW THAT OUTSIDE OF YOU EVERYTHING IS AS DUNG. EVEN PAUL SAID HE COUNTS IT ALL AS NOTHING. IT'S YOU LORD WE SEEK AND MUST HAVE. WE MUST CRY OUT WITH AN URGENCY OF A CONSTITUTIONAL STANCE THAT EVEN BEFORE THE FIERY FURNACE WE KNOW YOU'LL BE THE FOURTH MAN IN THE FLAMES. THAT YOU'RE A LION TAMER FOR DANIEL WHEN THEY COME AGAINST OUR PRAYERS. LORD, WE KNOW THAT EVEN WHEN STEVEN WAS STONED HE CRIED OUT LORD FORGIVE THEM. FATHER HELP US TO REMEMBER THAT IF WE ARE OFF COURSE/ DERAILED YOU'LL FIND US LIKE YOU DID PETER AND ALLOW US TO FEED YOUR SHEEP. EVEN IN PERSECUTION OR JUST OUR OWN FRAILTIES WE MUST STAY FOCUSED TO GET WHERE YOU WANT US.

WHERE YOU LEAD I WILL FOLLOW.

IN ORDER TO FOLLOW WE MUST TRULY FELLOWSHIP WITH HIM AND KNOW HIS VOICE. I HAVE HAD TO SAY LORD EVEN THOUGH YOU HAVE KEPT ME AND PROTECTED ME FROM THE ENEMY AND EVEN MYSELF I HAVE STILL

MADE SOME WRONG CHOICES THAT MADE ME MISS THE MARK BUT LORD FORGIVE ME AND HELP ME TO RUN ON AND GET TO YOUR PLACE AND DESTINY FOR ME.

There once was a story of a chicken yard and all the chickens thought alike but they kept noticing this one fella that just didn't seem to add up and they tried to teach him. Some made fun of him because he just didn't act like them. One day a fox got in the pen and all of them began to run and frantically the odd fella ran so hard that all of a sudden he was up up up and in the air. Turns out he wasn't a chicken after all but a MIGHTY EAGLE. He wasn't supposed to be like them at all. I speak to your spirit man and say RISE UP TAKE OFF AND SOAR YOU'RE NO CHICKEN. SEPARATE YOURSELF FROM FLESHY CARNAL THINGS AND SOAR AS THE EAGLE YOU ARE. FIND THAT PLACE IN HIM AND FLY A GREAT RACE. GOD IS NOT DONE WITH YOU.

FILL THAT TANK UP WITH HIS WORD, PRAYER, WORSHIP, PRAISE, AND FASTING. CHECK YOURSELF FOR SIN AND UNFORGIVENESS TOWARDS OTHERS AND SOAR, SOAR, SOAR TO THE DESIGNATED HIGHER LEVEL..

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"When I could I wouldn't and now I want to and I can't.

Dr. Claude A. Dangerfield II

A friend of mine Elder Eddie Howard wrote a song called "Wouldn't when you could". Lyrics went something like this "When I could I wouldn't and now I want to and I can't. Don't let it be said that you could and you wouldn't. A fact that is true we all have a choice to do or not to do. Some choices are determined by the audience in which we may be trying to impress, so do they really come with any true merit? Or is it all for a show? What is the real purpose and motive behind our intentions? What is the motivating factor? Furthermore, what is our desired outcome, is it genuine or selfish in nature?

Do we really consider these things on our own or do we have to be prompted to actually bring them into our reality? When we truly consider these lyric it should bring some sort of pulse. Self-assessment for me truly kicked in because I wanted to reflect on my motives. Do I have any regrets? A truthful answer would be yes. Because now that my life perspective has become different I have been able to reflect back and have been able to determine that I had some missed opportunities when I could have made a difference for someone else.

When I truly come to grips with it, it sadden me and my mind wonder what if I would had taken the time. I could have impacted someone's life for the better. Even the littlest thing as giving someone a simple word of encouragement truly does go along way. Because I have been on the receiving end of this and it helped me to raise up even to a new level of thinking which then provided me a different mindset and I no longer have a mindset of a victim, but actually started to grasp the understanding that challenges were actually opportunities which provided me with greater insight that actually help to strengthen me with greater endurance to comprehend the life lesson that God intended me to learn.

So that all-important input that was shared with me that told me you can make it. Also, the words which were spoken unto me that said don't give up, you haven't reached your potential to live out your purpose. Even now when I reflect back at all the things which I thought were so devastating and I've come realize these things never consumed me. They were actually purposed for my growth and to strengthen my walk down my life's path. Solidify a stronger bond with the Lord. But most importantly I recognize His hand and His voice when He speaks to me. Understanding that He is very relevant for me becoming who He created me to be.

I have learned to yield my will unto His way to see what greater impact it truly has. Now being able to define the meaning behind the phrase "When I could I wouldn't now I want to and I can't." I'm more attentive, I've learned the value of listening and not being so quick to judge or respond with words meant to dismiss.

Becoming more patient to hear as well as to understand the details and provide sound wisdom in the place of judgment.

When situations are in the past tense it really isn't a time for judgment but actually a time for wisdom to find a path forward even in the midst of circumstances. So that growth and a lesson can be learned. Believe it or not, some people do appreciate guidance out of a ditch.

For those who would say well I don't feel it is any of my business. But when there is Godly compassion for another and you can help or aid someone. We have gone above and beyond and God gets the glory. You've heard the words utter too "Thank God" This is one way we can honor Him. It's also a seed planted that He will help grow. Some time it's nothing but a kind word that is utter to help someone who may be down to understand yes you do matter. So as we get focused in this year of 2020 let us have a clear sight of the things in which God intends for us to represent Him in that someone will be blessed and feel blessed. As we grow and learn someone else can also as we apply these life lessons. Our purpose will start to manifest and develop us as a greater witness and a valuable ambassador for Him

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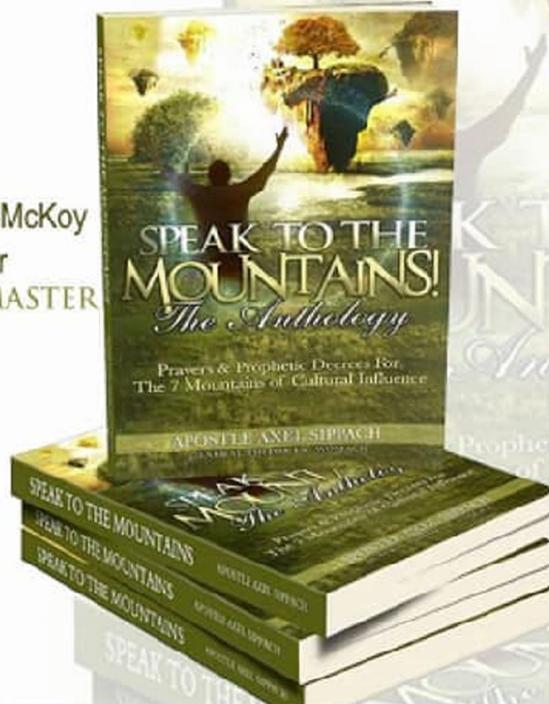
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Creation Explains Reason, Reason Defines Purpose

Dr. Claude Dangerfield II

In our society today we have probably all experienced a time when someone has felt that they have the right to speak out to chart out your destiny or purpose. In order to demean your character or ability in an effort to make you feel less than or beneath them. Speaking negatively about where you were born, the kind of job that you have, and even your family status. But God who sees, hears and remembers will bring forth the true purpose in which He has placed in you.

Creation explains reason and reason defines the purpose. We were all created on purpose and place in the earth to perform Gods intent for our life. The circumstances surrounding our being present has little to do with our intended impact and outcome in fulfilling our purpose.

In the Word of God, we see the various example of purpose present to show God's intent... that He be glorified. One example can be found in the Gospel of John Chapter 9 is an explanation of His purpose.

1. *And as [Jesus](#) passed by, he saw a man which was blind from [his](#) birth.*
2. *And his disciples asked him, saying, Master, who did sin, this man, or his parents, that he was born blind?*
3. *Jesus answered, Neither hath this man sinned, nor his parents: but that the works of God should be made manifest in him.*
4. *I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day: the night cometh, when no man can work.*
5. *As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.*
6. *When he had thus spoken, he spat on the ground, and made clay of the spittle, and he anointed the eyes of the blind man with the clay,*
7. *And said unto him, Go, wash in the pool of Siloam, (which is by interpretation, Sent.) He went his way therefore, and washed, and came seeing.*
8. *The neighbors therefore, and they which before had seen him that he was blind, said, Is not this he that sat and begged?*
9. *Some said, This is he: others said, He is like him: but he said, I am he.*
10. *Therefore said they unto him, How were thine eyes opened?*
11. *He answered and said, A man that is called Jesus made clay, and anointed mine eyes, and said unto me, Go to the pool of Siloam, and wash: and I went and washed, and I received sight.*

Then said they unto him, Where is he? He said, I know not.

13. *They brought to the Pharisees him that aforetime was blind.*
14. *And it was the Sabbath day when Jesus made the clay, and opened his eyes.*
15. *Then again the Pharisees also asked him how he had received his sight. He said unto them, He put clay upon mine eyes, and I washed, and do see.*
16. *Therefore said some of the Pharisees, This man is not of God, because he keepeth not the Sabbath day. Others said, How can a man that is a sinner do such miracles? And there was a division among them.*

17. They say unto the blind man again, What sayest thou of him, that he hath opened thine eyes? He said, He is a prophet.

18. But the Jews did not believe concerning him, that he had been blind, and received his sight, until they called the parents of him that had received his sight.

19. And they asked them, saying, Is this your son, who ye say was born blind? how then doth he now see?

20. His parents answered them and said, We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind:

21. But by what means he now seeth, we know not; or who hath opened his eyes, we know not: he is of age; ask him: he shall speak for himself.

22. These *words* spake his parents, because they feared the Jews: for the Jews had agreed already, that if any man did confess that he was Christ, he should be put out of the synagogue.

23. Therefore said his parents, He is of age; ask him.

24. Then again called they the man that was blind, and said unto him, Give God the praise: we know that this man is a sinner.

25. He answered and said, Whether he be a sinner *or no*, I know not: one thing I know, that, whereas I was blind, now I see.

26. Then said they to him again, What did he to thee? how opened he thine eyes?

27. He answered them, I have told you already, and ye did not hear: wherefore would ye hear *it* again? will ye also be his disciples?

28. Then they reviled him, and said, Thou art his disciple; but we are Moses' disciples.

29. We know that God spake unto Moses: *as for this fellow*, we know not from whence he is.

30. The man answered and said unto them, Why herein is a marvellous thing, that ye know not from whence he is, and *yet* he hath opened mine eyes.

31. Now we know that God heareth not sinners: but if any man be a worshipper of God, and doeth his will, him he heareth.

32. Since the world began was it not heard that any man opened the eyes of one that was born blind.

33. If this man were not of God, he could do nothing.

34. [They answered and said unto him, Thou wast altogether born in sins, and dost thou teach us? And they cast him out.](#)

35. Jesus heard that they had cast him out; and when he had found him, he said unto him, Dost thou believe on the Son of God?

36. He answered and said, Who is he, Lord, that I might believe on him?

37. And Jesus said unto him, Thou hast both seen him, and it is he that talketh with thee.

38. And he said, Lord, I believe. And he worshipped him.

39. And Jesus said, For judgment I am come into this world, that they which see not might see; and that they which see might be made blind.

40. And *some* of the Pharisees which were with him heard these words, and said unto him, Are we blind also?

41. Jesus said unto them, If ye were blind, ye should have no sin: but now ye say, We see; therefore your sin remaineth.

We see in this passage of scripture that man's understanding was far from the intent of God through Jesus Christ. It was very apparent that they were totally wrong in their reasoning and also not flexible for the miracle that God would perform. Christ also points out the error of their understanding and the actual results in which they would face.

We today need to understand that God can and still does miracles not in the manner in which we think it should occur but through his divine will. The circumstances surrounding them should also not be viewed as controversial or even a debatable issue simply because God is the I AM that I AM. Man has taken it upon himself to challenge God's authority when he tries to infer what God is capable of doing.

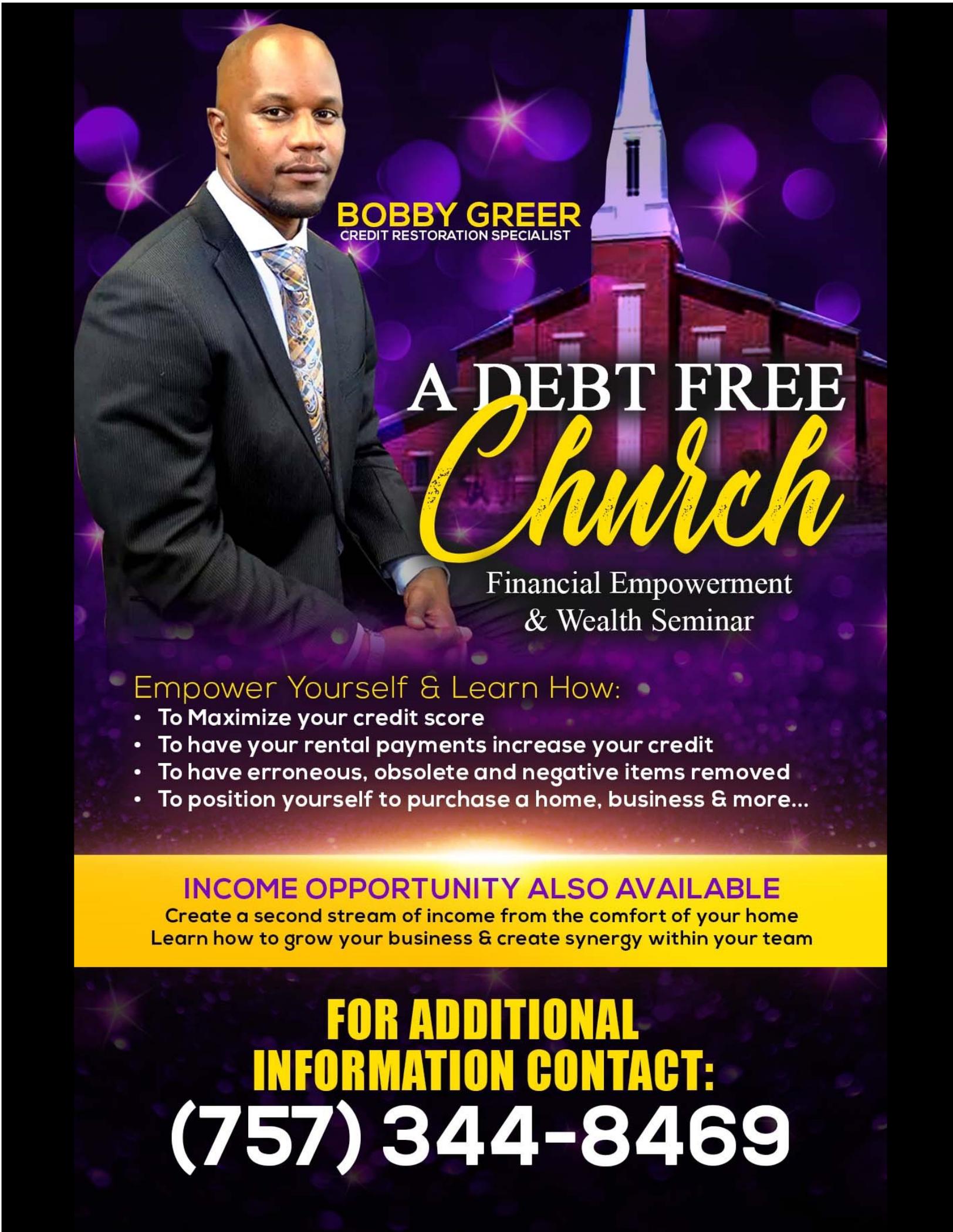
We should all strive to understand what our purpose is in God. How you may ask, by having a relationship with God. When you have that kind of relationship God He will reveal things unto you. The Word of God says "In all thy ways acknowledge Him and he shall direct your path. Also if we are in need of anything we can ask of God.

Genesis 1:26, 27 the Word of God shows us that we are all intentional and God desired to create us in His image. In His likeness are we created **26:** And 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 fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.

27: So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them. This again demonstrates His purpose.

He also provided us with an instruction manual is the Bible which explains how we can learn and benefit from all that He has placed in us individually and collectively. However we will never understand it unless we read this Bible and gain basic instruction before leaving earth. Insuring that we reach our intended potential. Otherwise will succumb to the old cliché "If you desire to hide something from someone put it in a book", however when we apply the instructions found in 2 Timothy 2:15 "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."

It is God's intent that we should prosper and be in good health even as our souls prosper, the only way to achieve that is to be found in Him. Take and maintain that step at all cost.



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