

Campus Church of Christ Jail Ministry
Series 1: Lesson #2
“What on Earth Am I Here For”, Part B
from *The Purpose Driven Life*¹

Lesson #1(Days 1-3) key points summary

- It is not about me!
- We were born *by* God’s purpose and *for* His purpose.
- God planned every person; no one was born by “accident”.
- We discover our meaning and purpose only when God is the reference point of our lives.
- Living with purpose is living with peace.

Day 4: I was made to last forever

Prayer focus: “God, open my eyes to see that there are eternal consequences in even the smallest choices of my life. Remind me to look past what is temporary and focus on what will last forever. Teach me to live in light of eternity.” (2 Day 4)

Verse to remember: 1 John 2:17

Other verses to study:

Ecclesiastes 3:11

2 Corinthians 5:1

Philippians 3:5-8

1 Corinthians 2:9b

Matthew 25:31-46

Psalms 33:11

Ecclesiastes 7:2

Hebrews 13:14

2 Corinthians 5:6

To ponder: There is more to life than just here and now.

Since I was made to last forever, what is the one thing I should stop doing and the one thing I should start doing today?

Day 5: Seeing life from God’s view

Prayer focus: Lord God, empower me to pass the tests I am given in a way that brings You the greatest glory, and to use what You’ve entrusted to me to advance the borders of Your kingdom. Give me the vision to

invest energy, intelligence, opportunities, relationships and resources in those things that make an eternal difference.

Verse to remember: Luke 16:10

Other verses to study:

Romans 12:2

2 Chronicles 32:31

1 Corinthians 10:13

James 1:12

Psalms 24:1

1 Corinthians 4:7b

Matthew 25:14-29

Luke 16:11

Luke 12:48b

To ponder: Life is a test and a trust.

What has happened to me recently that I now realize was a test from God?
What are the greatest matters God has entrusted to me?

Day 6: Life is a temporary assignment

Prayer focus: "Lord, help me remember that there is more to life than just here and now. Remind me to live like a temporary resident, not getting too attached to the things of this world because they are not what is going to last." (2 Day 6)

Verse to remember: 2 Corinthians 4:18

Other verses to study

Job 8:9

Psalms 39:4

Psalms 119:19

1 Peter 1:17

Philippians 3:19-20

John 1:12

2 Corinthians 5:20

1 Peter 2:11

1 Corinthians 7:31

2 Corinthians 4:18b

John 16:33; 16:20; 15:18-19

2 Corinthians 4:18

Hebrews 11:13, 16

To ponder: This world is not my home.
How should the fact that life on earth is just a temporary assignment change the way I am living right now?

Day 7: The Reason for Everything

Prayer focus: "Wonderful God, it is my deepest desire to bring you glory. Help me to see your glory all around me today. Nothing would exist without you. It's all for your glory!" (2 Day 7)

Verse to remember: Romans 11:36

Other verses to study

Psalm 19:1	Genesis 3:8
Exodus 33:18-23; 40:33-38	1 Kings 7:51; 8:10-13
John 1:14	Ephesians 2:21-22
2 Corinthians 4:6-7	Exodus 24:17; 40:34
Psalm 29:1	Isaiah 6:3-4; 60:1
Luke 2:9	Revelations 21:23
Hebrews 1:3	2 Corinthians 4:6b
John 1:14	1 Chronicles 16:24
Psalm 29:1; 66:2; 96:7	2 Corinthians 3:18
Revelation 4:11a	Romans 3:23
Isaiah 43:6-7	John 17:4
Romans 6:13b	1 John 3:14
Romans 15:7	John 13:34-35
2 Corinthians 3:18	Philippians 1:11

John 15:8

1 Peter 4:10-11

2 Corinthians 4:15

John 12:27-28

John 12:25

2 Peter 1:3

John 1:12

John 3:36a

To ponder: It is all for Him.

Where in my daily routine can I become more aware of God's glory?

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In the morning, O Lord, you hear my voice, in the morning I lay my requests before you and wait in expectation. (Psalm 5:3)

"There is no power like that of prevailing prayer. It turns ordinary mortals into men of power. It brings power, it brings life, it brings God". by Samuel Chadwick

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References:

¹ Warren, Rick. ***The Purpose Driven Life***. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 2002.

² Warren, Rick. ***The Purpose Driven Life Prayer Journal***. Inspirio, 2002.

Song Lyrics:

My Task

To love someone more dearly ev'ry day,
To help a wand'ring child to find his way,
To ponder o'er a noble tho't and pray,
And smile when evening falls,
And smile when evening falls,
This is my task.

To follow truth as blind men long for light,
To do my best from dawn of day till night,
To keep my heart fit for His holy sight,
And answer when He calls,

And answer when He calls,
This is my task.

An then my Savior by and by to meet,
When faith hath made her task on earth complete,
And lay my homage¹ at the Master's feet,
Within the jasper² walls,
Within the jasper walls,
This crowns my task.

1 Special honor or respect shown or expressed publicly

2 an opaque form of quartz; red or yellow or brown or dark green in color; used for ornamentation or as a gemstone

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