

Objects exist for the purpose they are created!

Do you know the purpose for which you were created?

Are you fulfilling the purpose for which you were created?

"To find out what God has created one to do, and secure an opportunity to do it, is a source of great happiness."



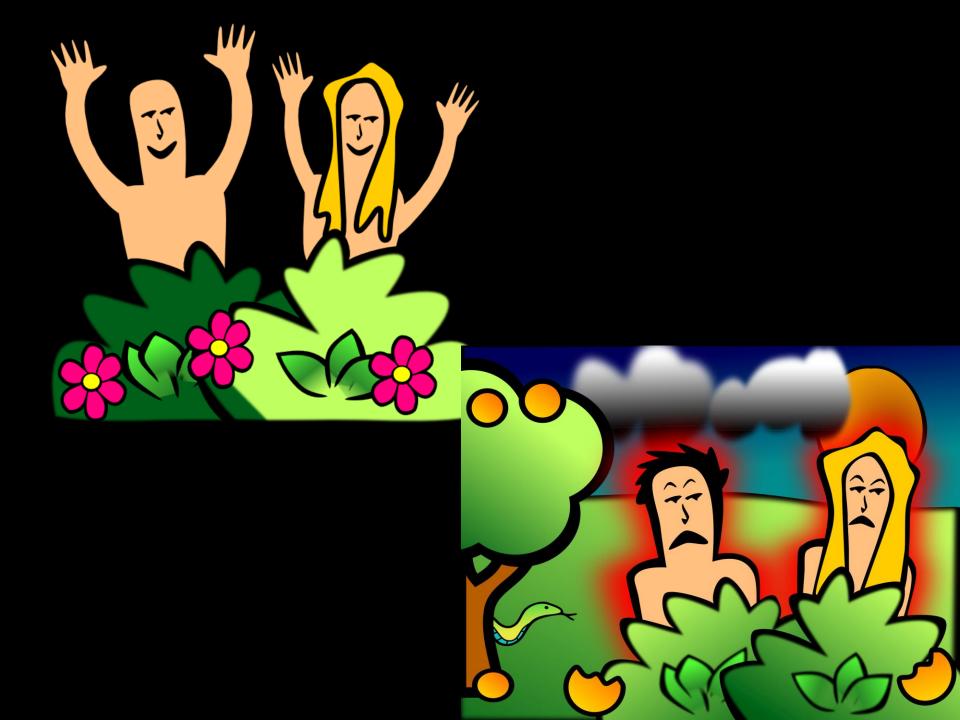
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38 ESSENTIAL PASSAGES IN UNDERSTANDING GOD'S STORY, THEIR STORY, & YOUR STORY.

Nehemiah: Rebuilding the wall



How to know and fulfill God's purpose for our lives.



"For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God— not by works, so that no one can boast. For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do."

SELF ACTUALISATION

SELF ESTEEM

achievement, respect

LOVE

belonging, friends, family, partner

SAFETY

safety and security of self and family

PHYSIOLOGICAL

breathing, food, water, rest



Steve Jobs

'At this time, lying on the hospital bed and remembering all my life, I realize that all the accolades and riches of which I was once so proud, have become insignificant with my imminent death. I should have pursued things of greater wealth and purpose.'

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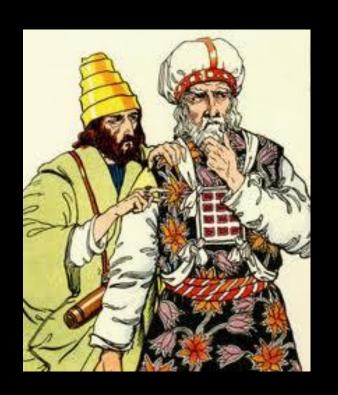
Foundational Truths:

1. Every person has a God given purpose.

2. Your occupation is not your purpose.

Foundational Truths:

3. Living out your purpose does not mean "no conflict and struggle."



"The officials Sanballat and Tobia were very disturbed that someone had come to promote the welfare of the Israelites." 2:10

Foundational Truths:

4. God's present 'Grace' will always be sufficient as you fulfill his purposes.

"And because the gracious hand of God was upon me, the king granted me my request." 2:8

"Your inability does not mean that God has made a massive mistake, rather it is part of God's plan. You see, he doesn't ask you to be able, but to be willing. He will meet you in your need, change you and change others through you in the process."

-Paul Tripp

Keys to discovering his purpose:

1. God's purpose for your life will help meet the needs of other people.

-When you meet the needs of others, it paves the way for a true spiritual need to be met.

Ezra opened the book. All the people could see him because he was standing above them; and as he opened it, the people all stood up. Ezra praised the Lord, the great God; and all the people lifted their hands and responded, "Amen! Amen!" Then they bowed down and worshiped the Lord with their faces to the ground. 8:5-8

What needs do you see?

Keys to discovering his purpose:

2. There is often a deep emotional bonding to the need.

"Our daily walk with God is governed by principles and commands clearly given in scripture; our purpose is discovered by an emotional bonding to a need being met that we just can't shake."

Jerry Bridges

Keys to discovering his purpose:

3. God's purposes in our life get refined in our lives through prayer.

"Prayer and fulfilling God purposes go hand and hand. Little prayer means little power, much prayer equals much power, thus, before God ever does a might work through a man or woman he will set them apart to himself through prayer."

D.L. Moody



By prayer we experience:

1. A Spiritual cleansing.

2. The claiming of God's promises.

3. The building of courage.

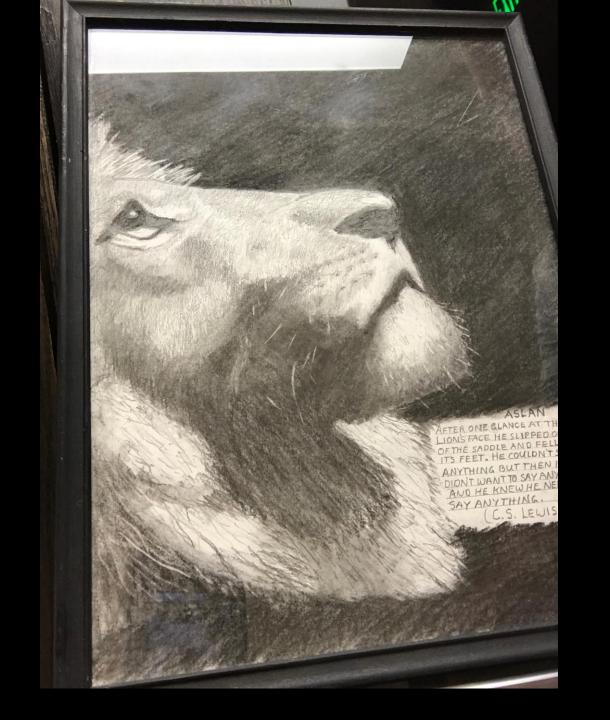
4. The receiving of a plan.

Keys to discovering his purpose:

4. God's purposes get validated through the context of authority and relationships.

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Where are you?



With God the issue is never 'HOW' it is always 'WHO?'