A Journey with Purpose Finding God's Plan For Your Life

hope and trust so



You Need Something to Do?

- You were made for a MISSION
- Reaching out to BELIEVERS is called MINISTRY
- Reaching out to UNBELIEVERS is called EVANGELISM



John 20:21

21) Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you."



Mark 16:15

15) And he said to them, "Go into all the world and proclaim the gospel to the whole creation."



Your Mission is Important!

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Matthew 28:19-20

19) Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,

20) teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."



Ezekiel 3:18

18)

If I say to the wicked, 'You shall surely die,' and you give him no warning, nor speak to warn the wicked from his wicked way, in order to save his life, that wicked person shall die for his iniquity, but his blood I will require at your hand.



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2. It's a wonderful PRIVILEGE



2nd Corinthians 5:20

20)

Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God.



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John 9:4

4)

We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming, when no one can work.



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Acts 20:24

24)

But I do not account my life of any value nor as precious to myself, if only I may finish my course

and the ministry that I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God.



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- 6. It's CONNECTED to the Return of Christ



Acts 1:6-8

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8)

- So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?"
- 7) He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by his own authority.
 - But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."



Matthew 24:14

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8)

For not only has the word of the Lord sounded forth from you in Macedonia and Achaia, but your faith in God has gone forth everywhere, so that we need not say anything.

1st Thessalonians 1:8



1st John 5:9-10

9)

If we receive the testimony of men, the testimony of God is greater, for this is the testimony of God that he has borne concerning his Son.



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- Whoever believes in the Son of God has the testimony 10) in himself.



Your Life Story

1. Your TESTIMONY



1<u>st</u> Peter 2:9

9)

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.



1st Peter 3:15

15)

but in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect,



Your Life Story

- 1. Your TESTIMONY
- 2. Your LIFE LESSONS
- 3. Your GODLY PASSIONS
- 4. The GOOD NEWS



2nd Corinthians 5:19 19) that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world

to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation.



2nd Corinthians 5:14

14)

For the love of Christ controls us, because we have concluded this: that one has died for all, therefore all have died;



It's Your Job!

- The Great Commission is YOUR
 COMMISSION
- Don't Focus on YOURSELF, Focus on
 OTHERS
- Don't use God for YOUR Purposes, find out how you can be used for GOD'S PURPOSES



Shift Your Thinking!

1. From SELF-CENTERED Thinking to OTHER-CENTERED Thinking



1st Corinthians 10:33

33)

just as I try to please everyone in everything I do, not seeking my own advantage, but that of many, that they may be saved.



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2. From LOCAL Thinking to GLOBAL Thinking



Acts 17:26-27

- 26) And he made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined allotted periods and the boundaries of their dwelling place,
- 27) that they should seek God, and perhaps feel their way toward him and find him. Yet he is actually not far from each one of us.



2nd Corinthians 1:11

11)

You also must help us by prayer, so that many will give thanks on our behalf for the blessing granted us through the prayers of many.



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2nd Corinthians 4:18

18)

as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal.



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EVANGELISM is one of God's Purposes for You