

LIFE with Purpose

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There is no greater adventure or life better lived than the one used to make much of God

For Young Adults

Who you are becoming is the direct result of who/what you are following.

Think about the choices you are making by the action you are taking or not taking.

You were created for a purpose

Ephesians 2:10

10 For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

WE ARE the workmanship of God -

- You have been under the hands of theall mighty crafted masterfully in ever detail
- You have been created to be in God/Christ not out or away from God
- Your personal traits were prepared beforehand
- You must walk in them

You will never know who you are outside of the Bible Psalm 139:13-14

13 For you formed my inward parts;

you knitted me together in my mother's womb.

14 I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.

Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it very well.

If you know that God is God – of your soul knows this well – then you must become a

Christ Follower bible reader

Each person is Individually Crafted to be different

God is an intentional and strategic creator – He NIT your most inward parts (You were created with Precision and forethought with all design decisions made in advance)

Everything in your life — even the quarks and stuff that no one thinks are of any good purpose — God created you with purpose even in those things.

You, as a reader of the Bible – should be reading to discover How God formed you and therefore what God's plan is for their life

You need to know deep in your souls that you are who you are created to be

You are not a mistake or ungifted or unneeded – It is the very opposite God crafted you in his workshop – He created you in His image – **He created you on purpose for a purpose**

Even the way you think and dream and what you think about and dream are all by design – as long as you follow the design patten

You don't have to follow mine or someone else's dream – you must follow your dream – how God created you – but your dream without God will never work

Psalm 37:4 Delight yourself in the Lord, and he will give you the desires of your heart.

You are not a machine so you can deviate from the design

A machine has no means by which to violate the laws of physics by which it functions - it has to do what it was created to do - It can't deviate - even though It's parts can fail - each remaining part still does what it was originally intended to do. It can't change itself.

But Human beings are not machines - they are created in God's image - with a will - with a mind - with a soul and spirit - with likes and dislikes. Only when you function according to your design will you discover the mastery of the maker.

If you have failed to follow the design-there is always hope

We look back on our lives with today's understandings – then we are unfair and hard on ourselves

We see our mistakes and think they define us – they don't have to if we return back to the designer for restoration.

God restores people – remakes them when they are marred – He renews my soul (Psalm 23:3) He renews my mind (Rom 12:2)

He looks to those who are broken by the fact that we have broken God's heart

Psalm 66:2

All these things my hand has made, and so all these things came to be, declares the Lord. But this is the one to whom I will look: he who is humble and contrite in spirit and trembles at my word.

Contrite: Feel the pain that God would feel for the fact that you are not following His design for you

A Conversation about your uniqueness

Ask the people around you in your small group to state what makes you unique – write it down in a list

(Each person must give you 3 unique traits (good or bad) that are all your own – no duplicates)

Some Examples: (There are many more than these)

active	determined	lazy	proud	perfectionist
adventurous	dishonest	logical	quiet	argumentative
afraid	disrespectful	lonely	respectful	skillful
angry	dull	loud	responsible	soft spoken
artistic	energetic	loving	rude	supporter
bold	fair	loyal	sad	leader
bossy	friendly	lucky	selfish	emotional
brave	fun	mature	sensitive	hardheaded
brilliant	funny	mean	serious	Self-doer
busy	generous	mischievous	shy	detailed
creative	imaginative	peaceful	tolerant	Independent
cruel	immature	persuasive	trustworthy	Knowledgeable
curious	impatient	playful	unkind	Insecure
daring	intelligent	polite	wild	Sensitive
demanding	jealous	popular	wise	Mild

Write them do	wn:		

Take each of these (that are verifiably true about you) to God in prayer and search His word asking for answers as to what is the purpose of these traits in your life.

Did he put them there? Did you put them there? How will he use them? Ask Him to help you remove the ones that are not part of His design.