

“LIVING WITH PURPOSE”

***“There are many devices in a man’s heart;
nevertheless the counsel of the Lord,
that shall stand.”
Proverbs 19:21 (KJV)***

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INTRODUCTION

It has been said there are three (3) types of people in the world: fits; misfit; and counterfeits. For our purposes these individuals are defined as follows:

Fits - they fit naturally in the principles, purposes and plans of God;

Misfits - they are square pegs in round holes (they are square pegs of plotting perversion in the round hole of the harmony of heaven; and

Counterfeits - They think they can fool the whole world, because they fool themselves.

PURPOSE

**Live for something, have a purpose
And that purpose keep in view.
Drifting like a helpless vessel
Thou canst never to life be true.
Half the wrecks that strew life’s ocean
Had some star been their guide
Might have been long riding safely
But they drifted with the tide.
Arthur Hugh Clough**

Purposeful Living is not drifting along, going with the tide, or flowing with the current. Glue yourself to God’s Purpose. Stay permanently attached. It is a must that there be a perpetual connection to His Purpose. God’s Purpose is Superior to all our mundane and terrestrial goals and objectives. All intentions are required to come under the Purposes of God for us. The expectations of our own purposes, whether they be of the Spirit, in the church, home, education, employment, society, etc., all of our purposes are to come under God’s Purpose.

This is to them that love God, to them who are called according to His Purpose (Romans 8:28).

Once God's Basic Purpose has been made clear, which are found in The Commandments (Mt. 22:28-31) and The Great Commission (Mt. 28:19-20) and are practiced daily, life is lived with abundant purpose.

BODY

As a believer dwelling in Christ, Purpose should be Spiritual, Scriptural and of Sober-mindedness.

I Spiritual Purpose

**Romans 8:1-31
1 John 3:22-24
Ephesians 1:3-14**

II Scriptural Purpose

**John 5:39
2 Peter 1:20-21
2 Timothy 3:16-17
2 Timothy 2:15**

III Sober-Minded Purpose

**2 Timothy 1:7
1 Peter 4:7; 5:8
1 Thessalonians 5:1-8**