

## WHAT ON EARTH AM I HERE FOR?

This Is Us – Rick Warren  
Parts 1-3

*"It is in Christ that we find out who we are and what we are living for . . . part of the overall purpose he is working out in everything and everyone."*  
Ephesians 1:11 (The Message)

*"Everything, absolutely everything . . . got started in Christ and finds its purpose in him."* Colossians 1:16 (The Message)

### 1. GOD PLANNED ME \_\_\_\_\_

*"You God created everything, and it is for your pleasure that they exist and were created!"* Revelation 4:11

*"The Lord takes pleasure in his people."* Psalm 149:4 (GNT)

*"Long before he laid down earth's foundations, God had us in mind, and settled on us as the focus of his love."* Ephesians 1:4 (The Message)

*"Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and greatest commandment."* Matthew 22:37-38 (NIV)

*"I don't want your sacrifices—I want your love! I don't want your offerings—I want you to know me!"* Hosea 6:6 (TLB)

THE 1<sup>st</sup> PURPOSE OF LIFE IS TO: \_\_\_\_\_  
"WORSHIP"

### 2. GOD FORMED ME \_\_\_\_\_

*"God's unchanging plan has always been to ADOPT us into his own family by bringing us to himself through Jesus Christ. And this gave him great pleasure."*  
Ephesians 1:5 (NLT)

*"God has given us the privilege of being BORN AGAIN so that we are now members of God's own family."* 1 Peter 1:3 (TLB)

*"That family is the church of the living God, the support and foundation of the truth."*  
1 Timothy 3:15 (NCV)

*"Love your spiritual family."* 1 Peter 2:17 (The Message)

THE 2<sup>nd</sup> PURPOSE OF LIFE IS TO: \_\_\_\_\_  
"FELLOWSHIP"

*"Let us not give up the HABIT OF MEETING TOGETHER . . . instead let us encourage one another."* Hebrews 10:25 (GNT)

### 3. GOD CREATED ME \_\_\_\_\_

*"From the very beginning God decided that those who came to him—and all along he knew who would—should become like his Son."* Romans 8:29 (TLB)

*"We look at the Son and see God's original purpose in everything created."*  
Colossians 1:15 (The Message)

*"In your lives you must think and act like Christ Jesus."* Philippians 2:5 (NCV)

*"As the Spirit of the Lord works within us, we become more and more like him."*  
2 Corinthians 3:18 (NLT)

THE 3<sup>rd</sup> PURPOSE OF LIFE IS TO: \_\_\_\_\_  
"DISCIPLESHIP"

*"Let us go on . . . and become mature in our understanding, as strong Christians ought to be."* Hebrews 6:1 (TLB)

*"By now you should be teachers. Instead, you still need someone to teach you!"*  
Hebrews 5:12 (GW)

### 4. GOD SHAPED ME \_\_\_\_\_

*"You shaped me first inside, then out; you formed me in my mother's womb."*  
Psalms 139:13 (The Message)

Spiritual Gifts  
Heart  
Abilities  
Personality  
Experiences

*"God made us what we are. In Christ Jesus, God made us to do good works, which he planned in advance for us to live our lives doing."* Ephesians 2:10 (NCV)

*"God has given each of you some special abilities; be sure to use them to help each other, passing on to others God's many kinds of blessings."* 1 Peter 4:10 (TLB)

THE 4<sup>th</sup> PURPOSE OF LIFE IS TO: \_\_\_\_\_  
"MINISTRY"

*"What can I GIVE BACK to God for the blessings he's poured out on me?"*  
Psalms 116:12 (The Message)

### 5. GOD MADE ME \_\_\_\_\_

Jesus: *"In the same way that the Father gave me a mission in the world, I give you a mission in the world."* John 17:18 (The Message)

(Paul) *"I consider that my will be wasted unless I use it to complete my mission and finish the assignment that the Lord Jesus has given to me—to tell everyone the Good News about God's grace."* Acts 20:24

**THE 5<sup>th</sup> PURPOSE OF LIFE IS TO: \_\_\_\_\_**  
**“WITNESSING”**

*“The things that you have learned from me I now want you to PASS ON to other reliable people, so that they can pass it all on to even more people.” 2 Timothy 2:2*

*“Through Christ, God has made peace between us and himself, and he gave us the work of telling everyone about the peace we can have with him . . . So we have been sent to speak for Christ!” 2 Corinthians 5:18, 20*

*“God’s people are like trees that bear life-giving fruit. They show their wisdom by saving souls.” Proverbs 11:30*

**THE FIRST CHRISTIANS & CHURCH DID GOD’S PURPOSES**

*“Those who BELIEVED . . . were BAPTIZED and ADDED to the church . . . They JOINED with the other believers and COMMITTED themselves to the apostles’ TEACHING AND FELLOWSHIP . . . they SHARED everything with each other and they WORSHIPED together regularly at the Temple . . . and met in GROUPS in homes . . . and every day the Lord added to their number those who were being SAVED!” Acts 2:41-47*

**NOTE THE ORDER:**

1. God wants me to **BELIEVE** in Jesus
2. Next, he wants me to be **BAPTIZED**
3. **JOIN** the **MEMBERSHIP** of a church family
4. Commit to regular **WORSHIP**
5. Connect to a small group **FELLOWSHIP**
6. Start serving in some **MINISTRY**
7. **BRING** my friends and neighbors to Christ

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