

## WHY GOD MADE YOU

Live Your Calling: What on Earth Am I Here For? – Rick Warren  
Parts 1-4

*"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 1:11-12 (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 (NLT)

*"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: \_\_\_\_\_

*"Some people have missed the most important thing in life—they don't know God." 1 Timothy 6:21 (TLB)*

*"People who don't know God are always worrying."* Matthew 6:32 (CEV)

### 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: \_\_\_\_\_

*"We belong to each other and each of us needs all the others."*  
Romans 12:5 (NLT)

### 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: \_\_\_\_\_

*"Some people have such shallow soil of character that when their emotions wear off and difficulty arrives, there's nothing to show for it."*  
Mark 4:17 (The Message)

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

*"You shaped me first inside, then out; you formed me in my mother's womb."*  
Psalm 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: \_\_\_\_\_

## 5. GOD MADE ME

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

*"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 Message)

*"We can make all kinds of plans, but only God's purpose will last forever."*  
Proverbs 19:21

*"Jesus included everyone in his death so everyone could be included in his life, A FAR BETTER LIFE than people ever lived on their own."*  
2 Corinthians 5:15 (The Message)

*"Open your eyes and see how good God is! Blessed are you who run to him."*  
Psalm 34:8 (The Message)

Jesus: *"Are you tired? Worn out? Burned out on religion? Come to me for real rest . . . and you'll recover your life . . . and you'll learn to live freely and lightly."*  
Matthew 11:28-30 (The Message)

*"It makes no difference who you are or where you're from—if you want God and are ready to do as he says, the door is open."* Acts 10:35 (The Message)

### A PRAYER TO START LIVING THE LIFE THAT GOD CREATED YOU TO LIVE

Dear God,

Everything you create has a purpose, including me. I don't want to miss my purpose, waste my life, or live disconnected from you anymore.

Instead, I want become what YOU designed me to be. Starting today, I want to follow your plan for my life, not my plan.

You made me for a relationship with you, so I want to get to know you and love you and trust you. Thank you for sending Jesus to pay for my sin. Help me to understand that.

I humbly ask you to accept me into your family forever. I want to grow more like Jesus every day. And I want to use my life on earth to serve you by serving others. Help me to share this Good News with others and to fulfill my life mission. I invite you into every area of my life.

In Jesus' name.  
Amen

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