

“WHAT ON EARTH AM I HERE FOR?” (40 Days of Purpose)

Introduction:

THREE PARTS TO “WHAT ON EARTH AM I HERE FOR?”

PART ONE: WHY AM I _____? (Existence)

Jeremiah 20:18 (TEV) “Why was I born? Was it only to have trouble and sorrow, to end my life in disgrace?”

- Arthur Brilliant: My life is a superb cast but I can't figure out the _____.”
- Suicide is the number _____ killer of teenage students
- Mystical approach is to look _____.
- Philosophical approach is to live _____!
- Naturalist approach is to reproduce _____.
- Hedonist approach is that life is _____.
- Materialist approach is the acquisition of _____.
- Self-help approach is to do it _____.

Proverbs 16:4 (LB) “The Lord has made everything for His own purpose.”

- God has _____ purposes for your life.

Ephesians 1:4 (The Message) “Long before He laid down earth's foundation, He had us in mind and settled on us as the focus of His love, to be made whole and holy by His love.”

- Paul says, “God has made us to be _____!”

PART TWO: DOES MY LIFE _____? (Significance)

Isaiah 49: 4 (LB) “My work all seems so useless! I have spent my strength for nothing and for no purpose at all.”

- Three Levels of Living (Lower to Higher)

3. S _____ Level

2. S _____ Level

1. S _____ Level

Isaiah 48:2 (CEV) “I am your Creator. You were in My care even before you were born.”

Psalms 139:16 (LB) You.. scheduled each day of my life before I began to breathe. Every day was recorded in Your book!”

Psalms 33:11 (TEV) “His plans endure forever; His purpose lasts eternally.”

- God says that I was made to _____.

II Corinthians 5:1 (TEV) "When this tent we live in ~ our body here on earth ~ is torn down, God will have a house in heaven for us to live in, a home He Himself has made, which will last forever."

PART THREE: WHAT IS MY _____? (Intention)

Psalm 89:47 (NIV) "Why did You create us? For nothing?"

- Tools have a purpose. If I don't know its purpose, I will _____ it.
- How do I find out God's purpose for my life? Two ways:
 1. Talk to the _____
 2. Read the _____
- The Bible says that I find my purpose by getting to _____.

Colossians 1:16 (The Message) "For everything, absolutely everything, above and below, visible and invisible – everything got started in Him (Christ) and finds its purpose in Him."

Ephesians 1:11 (The Message) "It's 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."

Launching:

- I believe God created and redeemed me for His purpose.
- I plan to read each day's chapter in Purpose Driven Life.
- I plan to do my best to hear the next six messages in Pastor's sermon series.
- I will participate in a "40 Days of Purpose" small group.