

Created, Designed and Called for A Purpose May 04, 2025 - Sermon Outline

GOD DOES THINGS WITH PURPOSE

Psalm 33:11

The counsel of the LORD stands forever, The plans of His heart to all generations.

God is a God of plan and purpose.

The Bible speaks of the plans of God's heart. This is His intent and purpose that He has over all that He does.

He knows the end from the beginning.

He completes His work, before He begins.

GOD HAS AN ETERNAL PURPOSE WHICH HE IS UNFOLDING

Ephesians 3:11

according to the eternal purpose which He accomplished in Christ Jesus our Lord.

There is an eternal purpose, a grand, heavenly purpose that God is unfolding for the human race.

WE HAVE BEEN CALLED TO PARTICIPATE IN HIS PURPOSE

2 Timothy 1:9

who has saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works, but according to His own purpose and grace which was given to us in Christ Jesus before time began,

To each of us God has extended an invitation to be part of His purpose. This becomes our calling. And He extends grace to us for this. Calling, purpose and grace have been given to each of us in Christ.



CREATED AND DESIGNED FOR A PURPOSE

Psalm 139:13-18

13 For You formed my inward parts; You covered me in my mother's womb.

14 I will praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; Marvelous are Your works, And that my soul knows very well.

15 My frame was not hidden from You, When I was made in secret, And skillfully wrought in the lowest parts of the earth.

16 Your eyes saw my substance, being yet unformed. And in Your book they all were written, The days fashioned for me, When as yet there were none of them.

17 How precious also are Your thoughts to me, O God! How great is the sum of them!

18 If I should count them, they would be more in number than the sand; When I awake, I am still with You.

God designed each of us.

He has a plan for each of us even before we were born.

He has uniquely designed us for that plan and purpose.

It is now our privilege to discover His plan and purpose and say 'yes' to His calling, purpose and grace and journey with Him to fulfill all He has in store.

WE RECOGNIZE GOD'S PURPOSE IN DIFFERENT WAYS AND AT DIFFERENT TIMES

We see examples in the Bible of people being called by God, stepping into God's purpose and journeying with Him to carry out what He had in mind.

Think about some of the people we read about in the Bible:

Abraham

Joseph

Moses

David

Disciples of Jesus

Saul who became Paul



We observe from the lives of these people that:

GOD CALLS PEOPLE AT ALL STAGES OF LIFE, FROM ALL WALKS OF LIFE, AND INTO A VARIETY OF ASSIGNMENTS

- 1 Corinthians 12:4-6 (ERV)
- 4 There are different kinds of spiritual gifts, but they are all from the same Spirit.
- 5 There are different ways to serve, but we serve the same Lord.
- 6 And there are different ways that God works in people, but it is the same God who works in all of us to do everything.

While we can learn from each other, be an encouragement and support to one another - we do not have to compare or compete with one another. God calls each of us uniquely with a variety of gifts, ministries and He works in different ways in each of our lives.

GOD'S PURPOSE IS GOD'S CALLING - PRESS IN TO IT

Now we must recognize that we have a part to play in seeing God's purposes fulfilled.

We are coworkers with God – and God calls us to do our part.

The apostle Paul had a great calling. But he worked hard, sacrificed, suffered much, pursued and pressed in to see the call of God fulfilled.

Philippians 3:12-15

- 12 Not that I have already attained, or am already perfected; but I press on, that I may lay hold of that for which Christ Jesus has also laid hold of me.
- 13 Brethren, I do not count myself to have apprehended; but one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead,
- 14 I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ lesus.
- 15 Therefore let us, as many as are mature, have this mind;...



We are grateful for all that has happened, for all that is behind us.

We must reach forward and press toward the finish line.

This is also a sign of maturity – have this mind or perspective – that we leave the past behind and press toward what is ahead in Jesus Christ.



SUMMARY

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GOSPEL AND SALVATION CALL

SUPERNATURAL MINISTRY TIME

Minister as the Spirit leads





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The is a simple guide for use in Life Group discussions. Our objective is to focus on the application of the Sunday sermon - how each one is becoming a doer of the Word and building their life on God's Holy Word. The Life Group meeting would normally last for 1.5 to 2 hours. Each Life Group would have up to 12-15 people.

Preparation

Life Group Leader: To prepare for the Life Group meeting, you can listen to the Sermon or review the Sunday Sermon notes. Please do not make your life group read through the complete sermon notes during the life group. All you need to do is have individuals read the Scriptures listed below and then open for a time of discussion, sharing and learning using the questions given below. All these are available in the "All Peoples Church Bangalore" mobile App or online at our sermons page. Pray for the Life Group meeting and invite the work and ministry of the Holy Spirit.

Welcome

The Life Group meeting may commence with a time of prayer, worship, and a fun activity.

LISTEN to God's Word

Read the following Scripture references: *Psalm 139:13-18; 1 Corinthians 12:4-6; Philippians 3:12-15*

INVESTIGATE God's Word Together

Life Group is a discussion-based, participatory meeting with everyone given the opportunity to share their learning. Please discuss a few of these



together, giving time for people to share their insights. We encourage each one individually to make notes of their personal learning during the Group discussion.

- 1, Reflect and discuss the truth that God had a plan for us even before we were born, and He designed us uniquely for that plan (Psalm 139:13-18).
- 2, God has gifted each of us differently and He works in each of us in unique ways (1 Corinthians 12:4-6). How does understanding this help us celebrate one another and not compete (in a wrong sense) or compare ourselves with others? What would be our responsibility with the gifts God has given us and the way He has designed us?
- 3, Discuss the importance of not dwelling in the past but intentionally pressing forward to what lies ahead (Philippians 3:12-15). How do we do this practically both with the good things and the not-so-good things that have happened in the past?

Each one can take a few (3 minutes max) to share one or two key insights and how they see themselves applying it to their specific life situations. Encourage each one to participate and share.

FELLOWSHIP by sharing your life and spiritual journey

Each one takes a few (3 minutes max) to share anything from their walk with God, something God has been teaching them, a testimony of answered prayer or a specific challenge that they would like prayer for. Encourage each one to participate and share.

ENCOURAGE each other by praying and ministering to one another

Get into small groups of two or three and take turns to thank God and pray for each other in the light of what was learnt today. Listen to the Holy Spirit. Expect the gifts of the Holy Spirit to flow, bringing healing, releasing miracles, prophecy, etc.

Regroup and pray together for:

1, families to be protected and strengthened



- 2, a mighty outpouring of God's Holy Spirit on us as a church and through us to bless many others in our city and nation. Nothing but a mighty work of God's Spirit can change our city and nation.
- 3, for the BUILD TO IMPACT project for all details to go well as we plan and build our Bible college and church facilities to serve the Lord and people.

Close by thanking God together.





Watch our online Sunday Church service live stream every Sunday at 10:30am (Indian Time, GMT+5:30). Spirit filled, anointed worship, Word and ministry for healing, miracles, and deliverance.

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WEBSITE: https://apcwo.org/live

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CHURCH: https://apcwo.org

FREE SERMONS: https://apcwo.org/resources/sermons

FREE BOOKS: https://apcwo.org/books/english

DAILY DEVOTIONALS: https://apcwo.org/resources/daily-devotional

JESUS CHRIST: https://examiningjesus.com
BIBLE COLLEGE: https://apcbiblecollege.org/elearn
E-LEARNING: https://apcbiblecollege.org/elearn

WEEKEND SCHOOLS: https://apcwo.org/ministries/weekend-schools

COUNSELING: https://chrysalislife.org

MUSIC: https://apcmusic.org

MINISTERS FELLOWSHIP: https://pamfi.org

CHURCH APP: https://apcwo.org/app

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SERMON OUTLINE

In this simple inspiring sermon, we are reminded that God does things with purpose. God has an eternal purpose which He is unfolding. We have been called to participate in His purpose. Created and designed for a purpose. We recognize God's purpose in different ways and at different times. God calls people at all stages of life, from all walks of life, and into a variety of assignments. God's purpose is God's calling – press into it.

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sermon presentation) are free for use in personal study, small groups, Bible study prayer groups, local churches, conferences, Bible colleges, etc.

KEYWORDS

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