



Purpose and Destiny

God's will is to establish you so that you will carry out his purpose through you.

What is the purpose?

For us to be able to understand purpose, we need to define it. There are many ways to define purpose but I chose these three definitions as they capture the meaning of purpose in a wider understanding.

- Purpose can be defined as when you are doing what you were made /designed/ created to do by the one who made you or commissioned you.
- Purpose can also be defined as the reason for which something is done or for which something exists.
- Purpose can be defined as a person's sense of resolve or determination.

“Action Point:

Pray in the spirit today that you will understand about God's purpose”





Hebrews 10:7, Psalm 40:6 Then I said, *"Here I am, I have come-- it is written about me in the scroll.*

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Every life has a divine purpose.

How do I know my purpose?

Many people guess around and shadow box trying to figure out their purpose. They try new things without clarity of their mandate. People who do not understand their purpose are like those who gloat in the darkness of the night looking for a needle in the hay. **John 11:10** says that; “But at night *there is danger of stumbling because they have no light.*”

In Acts **17:26-27**, Paul introduces us on how we get to know our purpose. He says that; *“from one man he made all the nations, that they should inhabit the whole earth; and he marked out their appointed times in history and the boundaries of their lands. ²⁷ God*





*did this so that they would seek him and perhaps reach out for him and find him, though he is not far from any one of us. ^{28a} **‘For in him we live and move and have our being.***

We can only understand our purpose by seeking it from God who made us. When God was forming each one of us, he input and wired us with all ingredients that we need to carry out our purpose.

Jesus clarified this understanding very clearly in **Jon 4:33** **“My food,” said Jesus, “is to do the will of him who sent me and to finish his work.**

Your Purpose is to do the will of the Father. Jesus compares this with the food. It’s a routine of doing the will of the Father every day.

No man can outgrow the need for food. No man can outgrow the will of God in his life. Immediately you outgrow the need for food, you become malnourished and emaciated. Immediately you outgrow the will of God over your life, you become irrelevant and not needed

The Good News Bible put it very well. It says that **“My food is to OBEY the will of the one who sent me and to finish the work he gave me to do.**

Obeying means that we already **know** the will of the one who sent us. If I paraphrase these statement, we should already be in a position to know the one who sent us because only then can we know his will.





Jesus says in **John 15:15** that you are no longer servants but you are now His friends. *I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you.*

The first step is to know the one who sent us or the one who made us according to **Acts 17:26**. Before you know him, you cannot know His will over your life.

But how do we get to know the will of God over our lives?

In **1 Corinthians 2:10-12**, the word of God introduces a helper who should help us know our purpose by revealing our purpose.

“These are the things God has revealed to us by his Spirit. The Spirit searches all things, even the deep things of God. ¹¹ For who knows a person's thoughts except their own spirit within them? In the same way no one knows the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God. ¹² What we have received is not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, so that we may understand what God has freely given us.”

The Holy Spirit is the one who searches the mind of God and gets to know what each one is supposed to be as it is in the Mind of God!





We have to receive the spirit of God for us to perceive and know the thoughts of God and what he has freely given us.

“Action Point: Before you proceed, bow down your head and ask the Holy Spirit to reveal the mind of God and that which God has given you”

When God says in **Jeremiah 29:11** that he has good thoughts for us, I want you to know that the good thoughts of God over each person are diverse from person to person. Each one of us will experience great blessings but different from one another. Each blessing of God is structured in line with the purpose of an individual.

God’s thoughts concerning each person is all good but diverse in line with his will over each person and his or her purpose.

“Take away:

- You are customized for this generation
- Understand that you were created for a purpose

