



# You Asked For It

## What's My Purpose?

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**Colossians 1:15-17 (MSG)** *We look at this Son and see the God who cannot be seen. We look at this Son and see God's original purpose in everything created. For everything, absolutely everything, above and below, visible and invisible, rank after rank after rank of angels— everything got started in him and finds its purpose in him...*

**Ephesians 1:11 (MSG)** *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.*

1. Your real purpose is only found in Christ.  
Finding your life's purpose will clarify everything.

**Jeremiah 29:11 (NIV)** *"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."*

Plans = Purpose

2. God has a good plan for your life.

*"The greatest tragedy in life is not death, but life without reason. It is dangerous to be alive and not know why you were given life." –Myles Munroe*

**Psalms 139:16 (NIV)** *"Your eyes saw my unformed body; all the days ordained for me were written in your book before one of them came to be."*

3. Your job is to discover or uncover His plan.

**Romans 12:2 (NKJV)** *"And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God."*

### Three Major Shifts to Find His Purpose:

1. Shift from a temporal mindset to an eternal mindset.

**Colossians 3:2 (AMPC)** *"And set your minds and keep them set on what is above (the higher things), not on the things that are on the earth."*

**2 Corinthians 4:18 (AMPC)** *"Since we consider and look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen; for the things that are visible are temporal (brief and fleeting), but the things that are invisible are deathless and everlasting."*

2. Shift from living for self to living for others.

**Philippians 2:2-4 (HCSB)** *...fulfill my joy by thinking the same way, having the same love, sharing the same feelings, FOCUSING ON ONE GOAL. Do nothing out of rivalry or conceit, but in humility consider others as more important than yourselves.*

3. Shift from building your kingdom to building God's Kingdom.

**Matthew 6:33 (AMPC)** *"But seek (aim at and strive after) first of all His kingdom and His righteousness (His way of doing and being right), and then all these things taken together will be given you besides."*

**Luke 22:42 (NKJV)** *"saying, 'Father, if it is Your will, take this cup away from Me; nevertheless not My will, but Yours, be done.'"*

Pain comes with change!

Assignment: Ask God in prayer to reveal His plan to you!