
Pass it On

Mark 8:34 Then he called the crowd to him along with his disciples and said: "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ³⁵ For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me and for the gospel will save it. ³⁶ What good is it for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul? ³⁷ Or what can anyone give in exchange for their soul? ³⁸ If anyone is ashamed of me and my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, the Son of Man will be ashamed of them when he comes in his Father's glory with the holy angels."

Romans 1:8 I thank my God through Jesus Christ for every one of you because the news of your faith is spreading throughout the whole world.

Look for opportunities to engage in God's purposes:

- a. I was planned for God's pleasure. How can I please God today?
- b. I was formed for God's family. How can I be a blessing, today?
- c. I was created to become like Christ. I will use this day to make choices to grow my character.
- d. I was shaped to serve God. How can I serve God or someone else, today?
- e. I was made for a mission. Is there something of my testimony I can share with someone, today?

Key: Pg 1: me; eternity; Pg 2: commitments; fellowship;
Pg 3: hungry; Live.

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What Have We Learned?

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Deuteronomy 32:7 Remember the days of old; consider the generations long past. Ask your father and he will tell you, your elders, and they will explain to you.

What have we learned about God?

It's all about God, not m.

Hebrews 2:10 In bringing many sons and daughters to glory, it was fitting that God, for whom and through whom everything exists, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through what he suffered. ¹¹ Both the one who makes people holy and those who are made holy are of the same family.

Man is not God but has God's end to serve,
A master to obey, a course to take,
Some things to cast off, some things to become.
Grant this, then man must pass from old to new,
From vain to real, from mistake to fact,
From what once seemed good, to what now proves best.
- Robert Browning

What did we learn about life?

Life is preparation for e.

Ecclesiastes 3:11 He has made everything beautiful in its time. He has also set eternity in the human heart; yet no one can fathom what God has done from beginning to end.

We're put on earth for five purposes.

No. 1, I was planned for God's pleasure. The Bible's word for that is "worship."

No. 2, I was formed for God's family. The Bible's word for that is "fellowship."

■ No. 3, I was created to become like Christ. The Bible's word for that is "discipleship."

No. 4, I was shaped to serve God. The Bible's word for that is "ministry."

No. 5, I was made for a mission. The Bible's word for that is "mission."

■ **What have we learned about growing?**

We grow through making c_____.

James 1:22 Be doers of the word, and not just hearers only, deceiving yourselves.

■ *James 2:17 Faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action is dead.*

We grow through f_____.

■ *Proverbs 27:17 As iron sharpens iron, so people can improve each other.*

Philippians 4:9 Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard, and the God of peace will be with you.

Hebrews 10:25 We should not stop gathering together with other believers. Instead, we must continue to encourage each other even more.

What did we learn about our community?

■ **People are h_____ for spiritual truth.** ■

John 4:35 "Look around you! Vast fields of human souls are ripening all around us and they are ready now for reaping."

■ **L_____ what you know.** ■

John 13:17 Now that you know these things, you will be blessed if you do them.

■ The blessing doesn't come in knowing the purposes of life. The blessing comes in doing the purposes of life. ■

■ *Ephesians 5:15-16 Live life with a due sense of responsibility, not as those who do not know the meaning of life but as those who do.* ■

Philippians 3:16 Only let us live up to what we have already attained.
