

Mt. Lebanon Church

Sermon

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Please look up and read all verses in their entirety. I have only written partial verses.

Make your own notes, write down other scriptures that you run across while studying, write down questions that you may have or comments as well. Allow the Holy Spirit to reveal to you what he would have you to see through the study of Gods word.

Created by God, for God, in Newness of Life.

Revelation 4:11,....Thou art worthy , O Lord, to receive glory and honor and power. For you created all things, and by your will they exist and were created.

Have we ever been to the place in our Christian life that we began to wonder: why are we here, why did God create us, or what is Gods purpose for me in my life.

Each day in our Christian life we have the need to mature and grow stronger in our spiritual life in understanding that all things came into being for Christ.

Everything exist to make the greatness of Christ fully known.

Most importantly for us, in knowing Gods eternal plan, is to direct mankind to salvation and eternal life with God, through Christ his Son.

By making the choice to except him, through faith, we express to him our understanding of: Why we are here, Why God created us, and the purpose he has for us in our life.

We are going to look at 4 things in explaining, that we are: Created by God, For God. In Newness of Life.

1st God created us to know him

2nd God created us to love him

3rd God created us to glorify him

4th God created us to fulfill his eternal plan

1st God created us to know him.

John 17:3,....And this is eternal life, that we may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent....

Why does God want us to know him.

Our life depends on it !!

Without knowing God through his son by salvation we are separated from him, eternally lost.

The Holy Spirit helps us to understand on a spiritual level, the relationship and responsibility it takes to get to truly know God better. It is a process that requires time, patience and sincerity.

1 John 5:20,....We know.... he has given us an understanding.

Through reading, study and meditating on Gods word, through prayer and the leadership of the Holy Spirit, we gain Gods given understanding through his wisdom and knowledge. As we grow and mature in our spiritual life we come to a greater and more personal relationship with God.

We understand that: Life in the age to come (everlasting life) is why: God created us to know him.

2nd God created us to love him.

God wants us to love him. The more we come to know him, the more we love him. We love him because he first loved us.

Deuteronomy 6: 4 – 9,....you shall love the Lord your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength....

There are so many things to know about God. The most important, God is Love. Everything else can be explained by this knowledge.

The cross, the ultimate demonstration of Gods love for us. The book of John tells us this was the love of God manifested toward us.

When we obey Gods commandment to love, we show his compassion to those who are in need. Gods love, in the form of compassion, results in actions of compassion and the salvation of others.

Through these acts of compassion, we experience the presence of God in an intimate way, and come to know why God created us to love him.

3rd God created us to glorify him.

To glorify God means to give him, honor, praise and worship.

We are created in his image, so therefore we bear the image of the almighty God. If he is abundant in our lives, then through this abundance we show for his splendor, his majesty, his righteousness and his power in such a way that shows great reverence to him.

Isaiah 43:7,....Everyone who is called by my name, whom I have created for my glory, I have formed him, yes, I have made him....

God is the creator, we are his creation. God who has revealed his grace and mercy in every way through his word, was so that we could understand and come to know what his ultimate purpose is for our lives and why he created us to glorify him.

4th God created us to fulfill his eternal plan.

God created us that through salvation we may have a life of meaning and purpose eternally with him.

2 Timothy 1:9,....God who has saved us, not according to our works, but according to his own purpose and grace....

God, who set his plan in motion before time began, a plan of salvation, a plan motivated within us by God, which shows the heart of God, and his love for each of us.

Gods plan of salvation carried out by and through the obedience of Christ, revealed to us by his word.

Ephesians 1: 3 – 6,....just as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world....

God chose us to be holy and blameless, not just certain individuals, but all that will accept. The choice is left up to us.

Gods predestination for us is based on his eternal purpose for us and therefore is secure. We are secure forever in Christ. Our salvation comes through Gods choice and purpose, determined before he created the world, ensuring us an eternal foundation.

Why are we here, Why did God create us, What is Gods purpose for me in my life.

Salvation, and Eternal Life.

God looks at each one of us as if we have never sinned. Not because we deserve it, but because of his grace and mercy he freely gives salvation. All we have to do is enter into a loving relationship with him. Our intended destiny is to realize our spiritual identity which is: Created by God, For God, In Newness of Life.

Let us pray

If anyone has any questions, comments or would just like to discuss any of the scriptures, feel free to call, text or email me. Keep praying for each other and all the God lays upon your heart. Hope to see everyone soon. God Bless.

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